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Provincial Point of View

March 12, 2015

HAVE YOU RESERVED YOUR INVITATION TO ATTEND THE PROVINCIAL BUDGET ADDRESS MARCH 18?



Our government continues to keep our commitment to fiscal responsibility and will table its eighth consecutive balanced budget March 18.

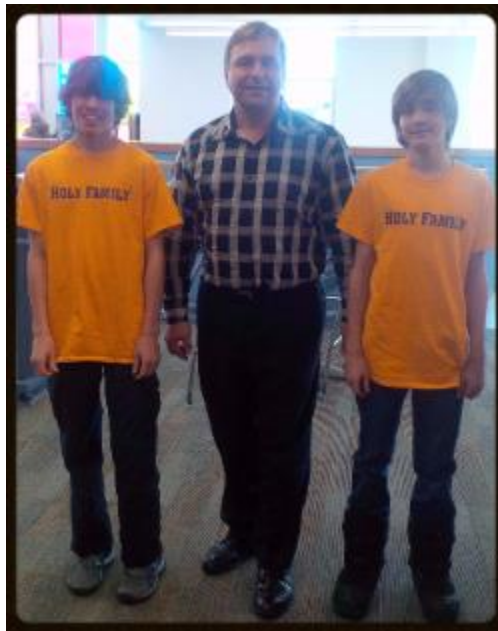
Please remember to let me know if you are able to join us at the legislature as The Honourable Ken Krawetz, Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance delivers the 2015 - 2016 Budget Address in the Legislative Assembly Chamber at 1:30 p.m., March 18.

I still have invitations available. To reserve your spot, please email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net or call my MLA office at 306.651.7100. You will receive confirmation once your email is received.

If attending, we ask that you be at the Legislative Building no later than 1:00 p.m., March 18.

You will have an opportunity right here in Saskatoon to hear the Honourable Ken Krawetz, Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance speak about the Provincial Budget address at a luncheon held at the Hilton Garden Inn Friday, March 20. The Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce is hosting the luncheon. [Click here to register.](#)

TOUR OF THE NEW WILLOWGROVE HOLY FAMILY JOINT-USE SCHOOL!



Sunday, March 8, I had the opportunity to join many families in our constituency of Saskatoon Silver Springs tour the new Willowgrove and Holy Family Schools! It was wonderful to have students conduct the tours of the schools and see the amazing facility that will serve the needs of children in our growing community.

The building features two complete state of the art schools including two gymnasiums, Each class room has its own smart board and projector and teachers have many option to change their classrooms around to suit their needs.

Monday, March 9 the shared Public and Catholic schools opened

its doors to students and teachers. The schools are just incredible. I'm sure there was much excitement as the kids saw the size of their new classrooms.

Watch for details of the official grand opening!

LOTS TO DO IN OUR CITY! ... SASKATOON SPRING/SUMMER LEISURE GUIDE

The City of Saskatoon Spring/Summer Leisure Guide was delivered to every home in Saskatoon on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. The guides can also be picked up at any Leisure Centre, Saskatoon Public Library location, or City Hall. The Leisure Guide is available online at www.saskatoon.ca/leisureguide.

The Leisure Guide contains everything you need to know about Saskatoon's seven indoor Leisure Centres and is the *go-to source* for fitness programs, recreational activities, and arts and culture opportunities for all ages and abilities. Get a spring in your step and stay active this season with the many options provided by the City!

THREE NEW DOCTORS PRACTISE IN SASKATOON HEALTH REGION

Access to physician care continues to improve for residents in communities all across Saskatchewan. Three new family physicians are now practising in Saskatoon, thanks to the Saskatchewan International Physician Practice Assessment (SIPPA) program.

"People across Saskatchewan are benefiting from better access to doctors because of the SIPPA program," Rural and Remote Health Minister Greg Ottenbreit said. "Internationally-trained doctors play an important role in our health system, and we welcome them and their families to our growing province."

"I recognize the continuing need to have more family physicians

servicing patients across Saskatchewan, and I am encouraged by the success of the SIPPA graduates,” SIPPA Medical Director for the College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan Dr. Jon Witt said. “SIPPA is proving to be one valuable avenue we can use to address our need for more family doctors. I am very pleased to be working with our rural communities, saskdocs and the province to provide IMGs with opportunities to live and work in Saskatchewan.”

[Three New Doctors Practise in Saskatoon Health Region](#)

SASKATOON SILVER SPRINGS CONSTITUENT SCOTT BANDA RECOGNIZED



Congratulations to Saskatoon Silver Springs constituent, Scott Banda who was recognized recently at the 2015 College of Arts & Science Alumni of Influence. I had the privilege of going to school in Blaine Lake with Scott and was thrilled to hear he was honoured with this well deserved distinction. He is known for his hard work and always approached challenges with gusto and passion.

A recognized leader in the Canadian co-operative sector for many years, Scott is the CEO of Federated Co-operatives Limited (FCL), Saskatchewan's largest company and Canada's largest non-financial services co-operative.

Scott is a strong believer in the strength of communities. He is an inveterate relationship builder, and deploys his extensive

personal and professional network - most often quietly and behind the scenes, getting the job done when he is asked to help. Of recent note, Banda is a strong champion of FCL's partnership with the University of Saskatchewan in the development of the Co-operative, Innovations Project.

Congratulations Scott for all you do to make our community, city and province a better place!

TELEMIRACLE 39 RAISES \$4,312,347!



The incredibly successful Kinsmen Foundation "39th TeleMiracle" wrapped up this past weekend in Saskatoon raising over \$4.3 million!

Everyone across our province will remember this year's TeleMiracle as the end of an era, as Bob McGrath announced this year's telethon will be his last. An emotional tribute was paid to McGrath thanking him for an incredible 37 years. A true hero for TeleMiracle, the City of Saskatoon declared March 8 as Bob McGrath Day. I join thousands of people from Saskatchewan as I thank Bob for his tireless efforts for TeleMiracle.

Congratulations Saskatchewan for making a difference in so many lives by supporting TeleMiracle! Thank you to the organizers, volunteers, performers and everyone involved for all they do to help families across the province.

THE MOSAIC COMPANY ANNOUNCES \$1.7 BILLION CAD INVESTMENT INTO SASKATCHEWAN POTASH PROJECT

The Mosaic Company has announced it will invest an additional \$1.7 billion CAD into further developing its K3 potash mine project at Esterhazy, SK. A recently approved change in the scope of the project includes plans to accelerate the production ramp-up of the mine, a decision which will see additional spending and investment in Saskatchewan over the next eight years. During this time, an average of more than 300 skilled contract trades people will be employed at the site, with as many as 600 workers on site during peak construction.

“Mosaic is committed to the growth, efficiency and sustainability of our potash operations here in Saskatchewan,” said Walt Precourt, Mosaic’s Senior Vice-President of Potash. “This is our home and we continue to invest both in our communities and our business.”

The first stage of the K3 Project was approved in 2009, at an investment of \$1.5 billion CAD, as part of Mosaic’s long-term strategy to expand its potash business.

"This is a great announcement and further evidence that Saskatchewan's diversified economy remains strong," Premier Brad Wall said. "Despite the downturn in oil prices, other sectors continue to show strong growth. This is strong demonstration of their confidence in Saskatchewan's future."

The K3 site is expected to begin mining potash ore by late 2017. It will serve as a satellite mine for the milling and storage facilities upgraded during the Esterhazy Stage 1 expansion efforts.

[The Mosaic Company Announces \\$1.7 Billion CAD Investment into Saskatchewan Potash Project](#)

RBC REPORT TODAY - DID YOU KNOW?

- Saskatchewan's economic activity is expected to continue growing in 2015, despite a sharp drop in oil prices.
- Thanks to "strength in non-energy sectors", mainly potash and agriculture, RBC expects our provinces real GDP to grow by more than 2% in 2015 and 2016.
- [Read more at Provincial Economic Forecasts and Reports - RBC](#)

JUST THE LINKS

[Ice Fishing Season Ends Soon: Anglers Reminded to Remove Shelters](#)

[Celebrating La Francophonie in Saskatchewan](#)

[Saskatchewan Proclaims Provincial Athletics Commission Act](#)

[Access to Physician Care Improves in Saskatchewan](#)

[March Spring Runoff Forecast Showing Some Above Normal Areas](#)

[Saskatchewan's Merchandise Exports Set Record in January](#)

COMING EVENTS

NSBA Business Builder Awards

Date: March 19

Where: Prairieland Park - Hall B

When: 5 pm - 9 pm

[Click here for additional information](#)

Saskatoon Prayer Breakfast

Date: April 18

Where: Prairieland Park

When: 7:30 am - 10 am

[Click here for additional information](#)

Bust a Move

Date: April 18

Where: Saskatoon Field House

[Click here for additional information](#)

WUHCA Earth Day Clean Up

Date: April 22

Where: Willowgrove Square

When: 10 am - 3 pm

Watch for further details

Child Find Charity Breakfast

Date: May 6

Where: Hilton Garden Inn

When: 7:15 am - 8:30 am

[Click here for additional information](#)

SABEX Awards - Celebrate Success

Date: May 14

Where: Saskatoon Prairieland Park

[Click here for additional information](#)

MLA Ken Cheveldayoff's Annual Picnic in the Park

Date: June 18

Where: Forestry Farm

When: 4 pm

Mark your calendars and watch for details!

ZOOGALA

Date: June 19

When: 6:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo - Lions Event Pavilion

[Click here for additional information](#)

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"The most important trip you may take in life is meeting people halfway." Henry Boye

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KEEP IN TOUCH

I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency. Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.

If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

"From a Provincial Point of View" is a weekly message from Ken Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Silver Springs. Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.

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