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**SAYING FAREWELL TO COLLEAGUES NOT SEEKING RE-ELECTION**



As I look at the photo above, I am overcome with emotion. I have had the great privilege of working with this outstanding group of individuals over the past number of years. This will be our last Provincial Point of View prior to the provincial election April 4th and I dedicate this edition to some very special colleagues that have provided outstanding service to their constituents and the people of Saskatchewan.

**THANK YOU: KEN KRAWETZ, JUNE DRAUDE, BOB BJORNERUD, YOGI HUYGHEBAERT, DON TOTH, BILL HUTCHINSON, DOREEN EAGLES, WAYNE ELHARD, RUSS MARCHUK AND ROB NORRIS**

Saying farewell is difficult. When you become a Member of the Legislative Assembly, your colleagues are your family away from home. Ken Krawetz, June Draude and Bob Bjornerud were three of the founding members of the Saskatchewan Party. The MLA's that have decided to not seek re-election have approximately 159 years of knowledge and have all worked passionately to serve you. Each of them have done remarkable work and have accomplished so much. They have shared in the history of Saskatchewan and have contributed significantly to the success of this province. They are leaving their careers in the public service knowing they have contributed to a brighter future for all.

Personally, I extend a heartfelt thank you to the members for their mentorship, friendship and for their dedicated service to their communities and our province.

I also extend best wishes and say thank you to John Nilson who has also decided to not seek re-election.

**THANK YOU TO THE CONSTITUENTS OF SASKATOON SILVER SPRINGS!**

A large, elegant, blue cursive script that reads "Thank You". The letters are highly stylized with many loops and flourishes, giving it a formal and artistic appearance.

**This will be the last edition of Provincial Point of View prior to the April 4th Provincial Election.**

**It has been a humbling experience to serve the wonderful people of Saskatoon Silver Springs. With the changes in provincial boundaries, I will be the candidate in the new**

constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove.

I encourage you to exercise your democratic right to vote April 4th.

I look forward to earning the respect of my constituents and sincerely thank each and every one of the constituents of Saskatoon Silver Springs for allowing me the honour to serve you for the past 13 years.

**NOTE:**

Once the writ is dropped, our constituency office will be closed and no one will be monitoring the ken.cheveldayoff.mla email. If you need immediate assistance with a government related issue, please contact the government caucus office at 306.787.4300.

**SCHOOLS IN OUR CONSTITUENCY WILL SEE NEW  
RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS AND UPGRADES IN  
BANDWIDTH!**



As I have been knocking doors and meeting with people in our constituency, I have heard concerns around the need for upgrades to bandwidth and the need for relocatable classrooms. I was thrilled to join the Honourable Don Morgan last week as he announced major investments in education on behalf of Premier Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan.

Education Minister Don Morgan joined students, teachers and school division officials to make two major education funding announcements that total \$20 million. The government announced the reallocation of \$16.6 million for the purchase of 46 new relocatable classrooms across the province, as well as moving nine other relocatables from site-to-site. The announcement is being made today so these classrooms can be in place for the start of the 2016-17 school year.

**“Even in times of spending restraint, our government believes it’s vital to continue supporting schools and communities experiencing rapid growth,” Morgan said. “Relocatable classrooms allow our school divisions to be flexible and to accommodate changes in enrolment as our communities continue to grow and develop in Saskatchewan. This important investment will ensure that the needs of our province’s students and teachers are put first.”**

**Morgan also announced a \$3.4 million grant for CommunityNet, which will provide for continued bandwidth upgrades in provincial schools where needed across the province.**

**“We appreciate the provincial government’s ongoing commitment to education,” Saskatoon Public Schools Board Chair Ray Morrison said. “The new relocatable classrooms will help us ease pressure in schools experiencing space constraints due to growing enrolment. With the increasing usage of technology in the classroom, the investment in network infrastructure is a step in the right direction to addressing the bandwidth issues our schools have been experiencing. Providing supportive learning spaces and innovative educational opportunities will foster our students’ growth and help them reach their potential.”**

**CommunityNet connects educational facilities, Saskatchewan schools, regional colleges and public libraries, health agencies and government departments and agencies into a private network, offering high speed broadband services to both urban and rural areas.**

**As part of the program to increase bandwidth, SaskTel will assume administrative responsibility for the network and begin making necessary investments to provide the new bandwidth in the coming weeks.**

## **PREMIER WALL WELCOMES NEW ENERGY INVESTMENT IN SASKATCHEWAN**



***Husky Energy Projects to Create 90 Permanent Jobs and 500 Construction Jobs***

Premier Brad Wall today joined Husky Energy President and Chief Executive Officer Asim Ghosh and local dignitaries at an event celebrating the opening of the Edam East heavy oil thermal project, located near the Village of Edam.

The new plant, which has the capacity to produce 10,000 barrels of oil per day, is the first of three heavy oil thermal projects Husky will bring online this year. Each plant will create up to 30 permanent jobs and up to 250 jobs in the construction phase.

“We’re working hard to create the Saskatchewan advantage and we’re grateful for Husky’s commitment to our province,” Wall said. “Despite low oil prices, our province’s energy sector continues to attract billions of dollars in new investment. That’s another indication our diversified, resilient economy is weathering the economic uncertainty and continuing to create opportunity for Saskatchewan families.”

Read the entire news release [here](#).

## **SAVE MONEY WITH SASKATCHEWAN TAX CREDITS**

Over the next several weeks, millions of Canadians will prepare and file their income tax forms for the 2015 taxation year. The good news if you’re living in Saskatchewan is a number of provincial tax credits are available that can help keep your taxes low.

“In Saskatchewan, we have an array of tax credits geared to helping everyone from first-time homebuyers to post-secondary graduates to people with lower incomes,” Finance Minister Kevin Doherty said. “I hope every Saskatchewan resident takes full advantage of the tax credits



available to them, keeping their taxes low and saving more of what they earn.”

Read more about what is included in the provincial tax credits [here](#).

## **PRIVATE-PAY MRI SERVICES BEGIN IN SASKATCHEWAN**



Released on March 1, 2016 Patients now have the option to choose to directly pay a private facility for a Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) scan in Saskatchewan. Facilities that conduct a private MRI scan must also provide a second scan at no charge to an individual who is on the public waiting list.

The MRI Facilities Licensing Act, the corresponding MRI Facilities Licensing Regulations and The Medical Care Insurance Beneficiary and Administration Regulations were brought into force on February 29, 2016.

“Our government is committed to providing patients with more choice over their care decisions,” Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. “Saskatchewan people who choose to pay for an MRI can now access that service right here in their own province, while also providing additional capacity within the public system.”

Read more about the requirements [here](#).

## PRESERVING 39 YEARS OF TELEMIRACLE



As the Kinsmen Foundation prepares for the milestone 40th airing of Telemiracle, the foundation is taking steps to preserve all known footage from the first 39 years of Telemiracle.

March 1, the Kinsmen Foundation gave a digital copy of all known show footage to the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan for safe keeping. This will ensure an important part of Saskatchewan's history will be available for researchers, historians and all people of Saskatchewan.

"We call ourselves 'Saskatchewan's Charity' and with this donation, we're making a Saskatchewan tradition available to anybody who's interested," Telemiracle 40 Chair Todd Bedore said. "All Kinsmen and Kinettes throughout Saskatchewan are proud of what we've accomplished in the last 39 years – through the generosity of all who donate year after year. As we move forward, it is important to preserve our past."

"Telemiracle enhances the quality of life for so many in our growing province," Minister responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Mark Docherty said. "This collection will not only preserve a piece of our Saskatchewan history, but will also acknowledge the important work that has been done to help thousands of individuals."

Click [here](#) for additional information.

## THIRD QUARTER REVENUES ARE DOWN BUT FOUR YEAR FORECAST SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Finance Minister Kevin Doherty March 1 said provincial revenues took a big hit in 2015-16 because of the dramatic drop in oil prices but global economic recovery over the next few years coupled with Saskatchewan's strong economic fundamentals means the province's finances are expected to improve. Doherty released the 2015-16 Budget Update and Four Year Forecast today.

The Government of Saskatchewan is forecasting a deficit of \$427 million for the 2015-16 fiscal year. The deficit projection is \$165 million larger than the \$262 million deficit forecast at mid-year.

“We have seen significant and sustained declines in oil prices impacting our revenue,” Doherty said. “While we have forecast a deficit this year and anticipate a more modest deficit next year due to continued low commodity prices and a weak global economy, our four year forecast projects improvement and a return to surplus in 2017-18. “As revenues recover, our government will continue to control spending in order to ensure a return to surplus. Our goal is to maintain overall spending increases of 2.3 per cent per year, which is about the same rate that we have averaged over the past few years.”

Read the entire news release [here](#).

### **A FANTASTIC AFTERNOON WITH STUDENTS FROM THE EDWARDS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**



I had a great afternoon last Monday talking to a class studying at the Edwards School of Business.

I appreciated the excellent dialogue with the students as they asked interesting questions about Government. They were a well informed group of individuals and it was very interesting to spend some time with them. Special thanks to Professor Cheryl Loadman for the invitation to participate in their class.

I'm glad these students have chosen to pursue their post secondary education in Saskatchewan.

**THOUSANDS ATTEND WE DAY IN SASKATOON**





Our daughter Paige was fortunate to have the opportunity to be among the thousands of students that attended We Day in Saskatoon March 2. Students experienced listening to world-renowned speakers telling extraordinary stories of leadership and change.

This day empowers young people to change the world. We Day is a celebration of youth making a difference in their local and global communities. The students are provided with tools and the inspiration to take social action, empower others and transform lives, including their own.

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## THANK YOU SASKATOON SILVER SPRINGS!



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VERY PROUD TO HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR A WARM, CARING AND COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY! THANK YOU.

### THOUGHT OF THE DAY

“WITH THE NEW DAY  
COMES NEW STRENGTH  
AND NEW THOUGHTS.”

-ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

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