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Provincial Point of View

Keeping Saskatchewan Strong

May 7, 2015



"There is no one perfect way to be a good mother. Each situation is unique. Each mother has different challenges, different skills and abilities, and certainly different children. What matters is that a mother loves her children deeply." - Elder M. Russel Ballard

Happy Mother's Day to my wife Trish and my very best wishes to all Moms this special Mother's Day weekend! I'm so grateful to Trish for being a fantastic Mom to our children, Carter and Paige.

I miss and think of my mother every day and am very thankful for everything she did for me.

**NEW PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM HELPS PROVIDE
BETTER SERVICES TO SASKATCHEWAN RESIDENTS**

Saskatchewan patients and health providers are now benefiting from a new, electronic integrated public health information system. “Panorama” allows public health care providers to manage vaccine inventories and immunizations, and enhances their ability to deliver services to residents.

Rural and Remote Health Minister Greg Ottenbreit today joined representatives from eHealth Saskatchewan and Regina Qu’Appelle Health Region for the official launch of Panorama.

“Panorama is a standardized, accurate and confidential system now available to public health professionals to do their day-to-day work and to provide improved services to our residents,” Ottenbreit said. “Introducing this modern system is part of our ongoing efforts to deliver health services to our residents in a more efficient, streamlined and co-ordinated manner.”

Read the entire release [here](#)

2015 SASKATOON FOOD DRIVE



Trish, Carter and I joined over 500 volunteers to collect nutritious donations of food for the 10th anniversary of the Saskatoon Food Drive last Saturday. Our constituency of Saskatoon Silver Springs was the first area that the food drive was held ten years ago!

The city-wide food drive shows the true spirit of Saskatchewan people and the compassion our society has for those in need. It was fantastic to see so many residents come together to show their support for the Saskatoon Food Bank as they collected 62,000 pounds of food.

The food bank is asking that people continue the past weekend's momentum and continue to help them fill the plates of every hungry resident in our city throughout the summer months.

"One Can Make a Difference" and this caring city always amazes me with their generous donations of food as was evident as we picked up the brown bags on doorsteps.

I had the pleasure of joining Mayor Don Atchison, the Honourable Don Morgan, Robin Bellamy and his wife Morgan who have been behind the food drive since the very beginning, along with the many volunteers at a barbecue following the food drive. Thank you to the organizers, donors, sponsors and volunteers for their efforts to make sure no one will be hungry in Saskatoon this summer.

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS WEEK IN SASKATCHEWAN



**WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS OF SASKATCHEWAN INC.
BUSINESS SOLUTIONS FOR SUCCESS**

When Trish started her own business, "Trish Cheveldayoff Communications", she appreciated the guidance and support she received from Women Entrepreneurs in Saskatoon. The 2015 Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan Business Conference will be held tomorrow, May 8 in Saskatoon and Trish is thrilled to have the opportunity to emcee this exciting event. The Women Entrepreneurs conference, "Honouring the Past & Celebrating the Future" will mark the 20th anniversary of the organization. This dynamic event is designed to empower and educate while providing valuable networking and mentorship opportunities.

Our government has proclaimed this week to be Women Entrepreneurs Week in Saskatchewan.

In 2014, there were 35,100 self-employed women in the province – a number that continues to grow each year. The professional services, wholesale, retail and hospitality industries in particular have benefited greatly from the contributions of women entrepreneurs in the province.

"Saskatchewan's women entrepreneurs and the businesses they establish play a huge role in our communities and our economy; they bring innovative products and services to the market, generate revenue and create jobs," Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. "Thanks to organizations like Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan, more women can access the supports and services

they need to realize their entrepreneurial dreams.”

Our Government proclaimed Women Entrepreneurs Week in Saskatchewan this week. Read full release [here](#).

MINISTER CALLS FOR CAUTION IN WORK ZONES

A fatal collision on Highway 6 near Spalding this weekend highlights the need for extreme caution in construction zones on our highways and roads.

“Our thoughts are with the families and friends of the individuals who were involved in this tragic incident,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister Nancy Heppner said. “Highway work zones are active construction sites with numerous and significant potential safety risks.

“As road work ramps up for another season across the provincial highway system, drivers must exercise the utmost caution at all times.”

Please be cautious in work zones - read more [here](#)

WUHCA GARAGE SALE THIS WEEKEND



Looking for something to do this weekend? The Willowgrove University Heights Community Association has organized a garage sale in our community.

Check out their website [here](#) to see a map of locations of residents that are participating. The sale runs from this evening, as well as Friday and Saturday from 9 am - 5 pm. However, individual homes may have varying hours.

TWO NEW SASKATOON GROUP HOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM OPEN

Ten people with autism will have new places to call home, thanks to the opening of two new group homes in Saskatoon. Saskatoon Sutherland MLA Paul Merriman, on behalf of Social Services Minister Donna Harpauer, joined Autism Services of Saskatoon Inc. and community members to celebrate the opening today in Saskatoon.

“Our government congratulates Autism Services of Saskatoon Inc. on the official opening of these two new homes tailored to individuals with autism,” Merriman said. “Our government is pleased to invest in projects and organizations like this that are helping to make life better for people with disabilities. The development of these two group homes is a welcome addition to the Saskatoon community.”

[Read more here about how these new homes will support 10 individuals](#)

SASKATCHEWAN'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS SET RECORD FOR MARCH



Saskatchewan's merchandise exports reached \$3.1 billion in March (seasonally unadjusted), a 6.4 per cent increase year-over-year, and an all-time high for the month of March according to Statistics Canada.

"The new merchandise exports record for the month of March is proof that our economy is strong and diversified," Minister responsible for Trade Jeremy Harrison said. "Thanks to the hard work of Saskatchewan people, our economy continues to strengthen, as the global market recognizes that we have what the world needs."

[Read entire release here](#)

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS UP 98.7 PER CENT IN MARCH

Non-residential building permits in Saskatchewan were up 98.7 per cent in March 2015 when compared to March of last year according to Statistics Canada. That's the highest percentage

increase among the provinces.

“The short-term pressures we’re seeing in some areas of the economy are not hindering growth in other areas,” Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. “Looking at the building permit values today, and the strength in non-residential construction, Saskatchewan will continue to lead economic growth in the nation.”

[Read more about Saskatchewan's economy continuing to move forward.](#)

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR SASKATOON SILVER SPRINGS
PICNIC IN THE PARK JUNE 9, 2015 AT THE FORESTRY FARM!**



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LOTS TO DO IN SASKATOON! CHECK OUT SOME EVENTS BELOW

Annual WUHCA Community Garage Sale

Date: May 7, 8 & 9

When: 9 am - 5 pm

To participate, [click here](#) for additional information

Women's Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan 2015 Business Conference

Date: May 7 & 8

Where: TCU Place

[Click here for additional information](#)

WUHCA Community Garage Sale

Date: May 7, 8 & 9

Watch for further details!

SABEX Awards - Celebrate Success

Date: May 14

Where: Saskatoon Prairieland Park

[Click here for additional information](#)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Saskatoon Race for Kids

Date: June 6

Where: River Landing

When: Registration 10 am, Race 11 am

[Click here for additional information](#)

MLA Ken Cheveldayoff's Annual Picnic in the Park

Date: June 9

Where: Forestry Farm

When: 4 - 8 pm

Watch for details!

Junior Achievement of Saskatchewan Business Hall of Fame

Date: June 11

Where: TCU Place

When: Reception 5:30, Dinner & Program 6:30

Click [here](#) for tickets and additional information

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](#)

Downtown Sidewalk Sale

When: July 9 - 11

Where: 2nd Avenue and 21st Street

Click [here](#) for additional information

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Successful mothers are not the ones that have never struggled. They are the ones that never give up, despite the struggles." - Sharon Jaynes

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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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