Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



"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

Sending special wishes for the mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, stepmothers, mothers-in-law, aunts, wives, partners, sisters, friends, mentors and women who love with a mother's heart! It is a great weekend to show appreciation to moms everywhere for the special things they do each and every day. Happy Mother's Day weekend!

Words are never enough to thank Mothers for all that they do. I wish everyone a Mother's Day that is filled with happiness. Special Mothers Day wishes to my wife Trish.

SHARING A SPECIAL MESSAGE

If I had the power to turn back the clock, Go back to that house at the end of the block-The house that was "home" when I was a kid, I know that I'd love it more now than I did.

If I could be back there at my mother's knee, And hear once again all the things she told me, I'd listen as I never listened before, For she knew so well just what life had in store.

And all the advice that my dad used to give -His voice I'll remember as long as I live; But it didn't seem really important then; What I'd give to live it all over again.

And what I would give for the chance I once had To do so much more for my mother and dad; To give them more joy and a little less pain; A little more sunshine – a little less rain.

But the years roll on and we cannot go back, Whether we were born in a mansion or shack; But we can start right now - in the hour that's here, To do something more for the ones we hold dear.

And since time in its flight is traveling so fast, Let's not spend it regretting that which is past; But let's make tomorrow a happier day By doing our "good unto others" --- today.

Place for Mom

Remembering my mother, Lucy Cheveldayoff this special Mother's Day Weekend.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER COMING TO REGINA'S MOSAIC STADIUM!



I was very pleased to help announce the international soccer match between Valencia CF and the New York Cosmos that will be happening at new Mosaic Stadium on July 22nd. It's a great opportunity to showcase our world-class facility, and provide a glimpse of what this building can do to bring people to Regina and to Saskatchewan. Thanks to On Ice Management, the City of Regina, and the many other partners who helped make this event a reality.

On behalf Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan I congratulate John Graham and On Ice Management Inc. on their work to bring an event of this magnitude to the City of Regina and to our province. When the plans for the new stadium were being developed, we wanted a facility that was world-class and multi-sport; new Mosaic Stadium offers that, as this match between Valencia CF and the New York Cosmos proves. I am looking forward to a successful event!

Tickets go on sale Friday, May 12 at 10 am through <u>ticketmaster.ca</u> and the Brandt Centre Box Office (306.781.9300). Don't miss this opportunity to see world class soccer!

DO YOU HAVE YOUR TICKETS?



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL 2017 DOGS BREAKFAST



It was a pleasure to attend the Dog's Breakfast May 4th on behalf of Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan. The Huskies Football Foundation welcomed Henry Burris as their guest speaker for this years breakfast.

The net proceeds of the breakfast are dedicated to supporting the education of Huskie Football Student Athletes. The financial commitment from the past 16 years has funded over 400 scholarships and has played a major role in assisting the Huskies to field a top quality CIS Football program.

The breakfast was an excellent kickoff to another exciting season of football at Griffiths Stadium in PotashCorp Park as we cheer our Huskie's Football team as they play on the road to the Vanier Cup!

MATERNAL WELLNESS PROGRAM A "LIFELINE" FOR SASKATCHEWAN WOMEN



Women across Saskatchewan who struggle with postpartum depression and anxiety, or feelings of loss following a miscarriage, stillbirth or death of a newborn, now have easier access to help.

Marking World Maternal Mental Health Day, May 3, Health Minister Jim Reiter applauded the provincewide expansion of HealthLine 811's Maternal Wellness Program.

"This program provides timely, easy-to-access, maternal mental health support to women who need it," Reiter said. "The program supports a recommendation in the Mental Health and Addictions Action Plan to improve access to maternal mental health services."

Please read more here.



PROVINCE DECLARES KIDSPORT MONTH

Longstanding Provincial Committee Volunteer, Don McDougall accepting the declaration on behalf of KidSport As Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, I was pleased, on behalf of the government of Saskatchewan to officially proclaim the month of May as KidSport Month in Saskatchewan. I sincerely thank KidSport Saskatchewan for their hard work and dedication to children and sport within our province. Their organization helps ensure that all children can participate in sport, regardless of their socio-economic situation.

Our government believes all children deserve an active, healthy and vibrant lifestyle. Reducing barriers to sport is important as it can enrich one's quality of life. Sports help build self-esteem and positive self-image. They teach our youth about teamwork and what it means to be a good citizen.

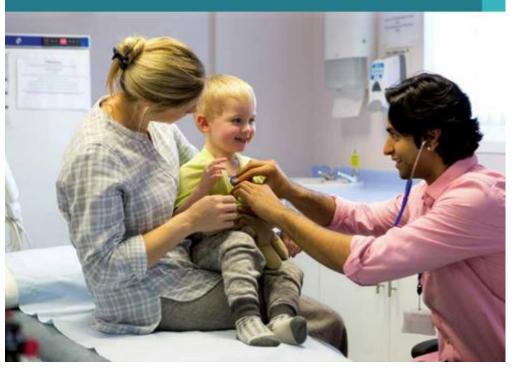
- KidSport Saskatchewan was established in 1995 and is governed by a volunteer provincial committee that is responsible for the overall policy and operations of the program in the province. Local committees administer the program, develop fundraising initiatives and adjudicate all funding requests. All money raised in a community stays in that community. Currently, there are 40 local committees in Saskatchewan.
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 proceeds are directed to KidSport children. This is made possible through the support of
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Thank you to my colleague Eric Olauson for representing the Government of Saskatchewan at the KidSport Month in Saskatchewan Announcement Event held at St. Francis School in Saskatoon Monday, May 1.

SASKATCHEWAN HEALTH AUTHORITY HEAD OFFICE TO BE LOCATED IN SASKATOON

Optimizing and Integrating Patient-Centred Care



May 8th, Health Minister Jim Reiter and Rural and Remote Health Minister Greg Ottenbreit announced the head office for the new provincial health authority will be located in Saskatoon.

The first day of operations for the health authority is being determined, but is still anticipated to occur in fall 2017.

"A number of locations for the head office were considered, and all would have been a good fit for

the new health authority and the people of Saskatchewan," Reiter said. "Saskatoon will be the location of the head office because it is more centrally located in the province, is close to the College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan, and will be in close proximity to the new Children's Hospital."

While the head office space will be located in Saskatoon, jobs will continue to be located throughout Saskatchewan. A distributed executive leadership model will be established with senior management in Regina, Prince Albert and Moose Jaw, and other major communities across the province.

The ministers also announced that the name of the new provincial organization will be 'Saskatchewan Health Authority'."The new Saskatchewan Health Authority must have a strong connection to people and local communities," Ottenbreit said. "Management and support services will continue to be located across the province to support the delivery of high quality and consistent frontline health care services for Saskatchewan people, wherever they live."

Work has already begun to build the Information Technology infrastructure to support the work of approximately 43,000 employees, including a website and network and email accounts. The transition of the existing 12 regional health authorities to a single provincial health authority will increase efficiencies and reduce duplication in the health system.

The potential savings associated with amalgamation are currently estimated in the range of \$10-20 million by 2018-19.

GREAT TO MEET WITH FRIENDS OF ST. VICTORS PETROGLYPHS



It was a pleasure to meet with volunteers from St. Victor Petroglyphs. St. Victor Petroglyphs is a Historic Provncial Park located 38 km south east of Assiniboia, 2 km south of the community of Saint Victor. The 3.9 ha site contains a sandstone rock outcropping (Ravenscrag Formation) upon which a number of rock carvings are found on the horizontal surface of the rock. Among the petroglyphs are human handprints, grizzly bear tracks, and several types of human heads, turtles and the tracks of several cloven-hoofed animals such as bison, deer, elk or antelope.

Please click <u>here</u> to read more about this interesting site and the dedicated volunteers who are such strong advocates of this incredible site.

SPECIALIZED DEMENTIA ASSESSMENT UNIT OPENS IN SASKATOON



Saskatchewan residents now have access to a second provincial specialized dementia assessment unit. The new, innovative unit opened within Parkridge Centre in Saskatoon and will be admitting residents from central and northern health regions.

"Our government recognizes the importance of providing quality supports and services to those suffering from dementia, as well as their families and caregivers," Health Minister Jim Reiter said. "This specialized unit is an important step forward for dementia care in our province."

Click here to read more.

ALZHEIMER'S COMMUNICATION

Never ARGUE, instead AGREE
 Never REASON, instead DIVERT
 Never SHAME, instead DISTRACT
 Never LECTURE, instead REASSURE
 Never say "REMEMBER," instead REMINISCE
 Never say "ITOLD YOU," instead REPEAT/REGROUP
 Never say "YOU CAN'T," instead do what they CAN
 Never COMMAND/DEMAND, instead ASK/MODEL
 Never CONDESCEND, instead REINFORCE

SENIOR PUBLIC SERVANTS CONTRIBUTE TO COMPENSATION SAVINGS

Premier Brad Wall said Government Deputy Ministers and Crown Corporation Presidents and CEOs have taken a 3.5 per cent salary reduction effective May 1, 2017.

This is in keeping with the government's commitment to reduce total compensation costs across the public sector by about 3.5 per cent.

"Compensation is a significant expense for the provincial government and these senior public servants know it is important to share the responsibility for addressing the financial challenges," Wall said. "I want to thank the Deputy Ministers and Crown Presidents for their willingness to lead by example."

The reduction for Deputy Ministers and Crown Corporation Presidents is expected to save about \$280,000 a year.

"There are a number of ways to achieve savings across the broader public sector," Wall said. "We are not prescribing any specific measures. Instead, our government, as the funder of public sector compensation, has a reduction target of \$250 million or about 3.5 per cent. We are hopeful that the various employers and their respective bargaining units will work together and achieve these savings through negotiation."

Out-of-scope public sector employees will also see their compensation reduced similar to unionized employees once settlements are in place.

SASKATCHEWAN HAS THE HIGHEST PROPORTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE AMONG PROVINCES



New census data released May 3rd shows that Saskatchewan's population is younger than the Canadian average.

"Saskatchewan's future has never been brighter as shown in today's release of census data

indicating that we have one of the youngest populations in Canada," Economy Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Having one of the youngest populations in Canada shows that Saskatchewan continues to be a great place to live, work, do business and to raise a family, attracting tens of thousands of new residents from across Canada and around the world over the past decade."

Saskatchewan has more children 14 years of age and younger than seniors 65 years of age and older, compared to Canada where the opposite is true – more seniors than young people.

Read the entire news release here.

HELP NAME THE INFANT GOELDI MONKEY AT THE SASKATOON FORESTRY FARM PARK AND ZOO



The City is looking for your help to name the infant monkey at the Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo! Proud parents, Diego and Leah, welcomed an infant female Goeldi monkey on February 6, 2017, weighing in at approximately 56 grams.

It is always exciting to welcome a new addition to the Zoo," said Tim Sinclair-Smith, Zoo Manager. "Both baby and mother are doing well, and now it is time to select a name for the newest member of the troop."

The Zoo has narrowed the selection down to four potential names, including Evy, Laka, Zoila, and Elena.

"We want our citizens to have a special connection with this monkey and watch her grow throughout the years. We are inviting the public to choose the final name by voting from the potential options," says Sinclair-Smith.

To submit your vote, visit <u>saskatoon.ca/zoo</u> from Friday, April 28, to Thursday, May 11. The winning selection will be publicly announced on Friday, May 12.

The Goeldi and her parents are located in the monkey enclosure in the Kinsmen Children's Zoo exhibit. Citizens are encouraged to come and experience the cuteness for themselves. The Zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until the end of April, and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. beginning in May. Additional information regarding the Zoo can be found online at saskatoon.ca/zoo.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH WEEK - MAKE SAFETY A HABIT



North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week is May 7 to 13, 2017. Each year, Canada, the United States, and Mexico observe NAOSH week to promote and encourage employers and employees to be healthy and safe in the workplace and at home.

"Injury rates continue to drop in Saskatchewan, and last year 88 per cent of Saskatchewan employers had zero injuries," Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister Don Morgan said. "We need to work together to keep this trend going. Our job isn't done until we have achieved zero workplace injuries and illnesses."

Read the entire news release here.

CHECK OUT THE GREAT ENTERTAINMENT IN OUR CONSTITUENCY AT ROCK CREEK!



TUES AUG. 15.17 JUSTIN LABRASH. KELSEY FITCH

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TUES AUG.22.17 MABALEKA. AARON RIDGEN

TUES AUG.29-17 ALEX RUNIONS. ELLY THORN TUES SEPT.5.17 DARLENE TULETA. ROLAND CORRIGAL WED. SEPT.6.17 AMANDA HAGEL. STEVE GIBSON THUR. SEPT.7.17 TENILLE ARTS. SAMARA YUNG

ALL CONCERTS WILL TAKE PLACE AT ROCK CREEK TAP AND GRILL: MCORMOND LOCATION. #102-1820 MCORMOND DR RESERVATIONS ENCOURAGED! CALL 306.979.7337 TO RESERVE A TABLE. ALL CONCERTS START AT 7:30PM.

SASKOMUSIC Rock Creek ORIGINAL

In coordination with the SCMA and CCMA, Rock Creek, right here in the constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove will be showcasing Saskatchewan talent in our Country Music Concert series leading up to the CCMA Country Music week in September. Mark your calendars!

THE GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN ENCOURAGES RESIDENTS TO PREPARE IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY



Plan. Prepare. Be aware. The Twenty-first Annual Emergency Preparedness Week May 7 to 13

It's late at night when an emergency responder knocks on your door. There was a flash flood and your community is being evacuated. Are you ready? What if you are advised to shelter in place? Do you have everything you will need to take care of yourself for a minimum of 72 hours, without water or power?

"Emergencies can strike at any moment, so we're encouraging residents to plan ahead," Government Relations Minister Donna Harpauer said. "Individual preparedness goes a long way to help people cope – both during and after a disaster."

Check out items that you should pack in your emergency preparedness kit and read more here.

BUILDING PERMIT GROWTH LEADS CANADA



Year-over-year building permits jumped 13.2 per cent (seasonally adjusted) in March 2017, the highest percentage increase among the provinces, and well ahead of the 1.5 per cent posted nationally. Residential permits were up 26.8 per cent over this period.

"Building permits are one of the best indicators for a growing economy," Economy Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Saskatchewan leading the provinces in percentage growth shows that our economy remains strong and resilient."

Building permits totalled \$151.2 million in March 2017, up from \$133.6 million in March 2016. Six provinces recorded declines on an annual basis.

FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS SUPPORT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY IN SASKATCHEWAN

In recognition of Habitat for Humanity Day in Saskatchewan, Ralph Goodale, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, on behalf of Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, and Social Services Minister and Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Tina Beaudry-Mellor, today announced \$1 million in funding support for Habitat for Humanity chapters and affiliates in Saskatchewan.

"The Government of Canada is proud to partner with Habitat for Humanity in their mission to build affordable housing for vulnerable families and promote homeownership in Saskatchewan," said Goodale. "Habitat for Humanity chapters and affiliates in Saskatchewan have implemented innovative solutions to assist families in need, and the Government of Canada's contribution to this endeavour demonstrates our commitment to this important goal. These investments will make a real difference in the lives of Saskatchewan families."

"This day is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Habitat for Humanity Day in Saskatchewan," Beaudry-Mellor said. "Our government applauds Habitat's efforts in making homeownership a reality for aspiring families, through strong community partnerships and volunteers across the province. Together with the Government of Canada and Habitat, we can provide more families with a hand up in meeting their housing needs and empowering them to live better lives. This investment fits in with our vision of keeping Saskatchewan strong and moving forward."

To see association links and to read the entire news release, click here.

CHECK OUT ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES BELOW:



BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY EXPO PROMOTES TWO-WAY CONVERSATIONS NORTHERN STUDENTS EXPLORE SASKATCHEWAN OPPORTUNITIES NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2017 CANADA'S PREMIERS' COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION LITERACY AWARD NOW OPEN MAY 7 TO 13 IS AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS WEEK MARTENSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES MAJOR EXPANSION AND RENOVATION NEW SASKATCHEWAN HOSPITAL NORTH BATTLEFORD NOW 60 PER CENT COMPLETE 2017 MAUREEN WOODS EDUCATION BUSARY RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED LEGAL SERVICES TASK TEAM APPOINTED CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 25 - MAY 1, 2017 STAY SAFE AROUND BEARS AND PREDATORS WHILE OUTDOORS THIS SEASON



WUHCA Yard Sale

When: May 11, 12 & 13

For information or to participate, click <u>here</u>

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Evergreen Community Association Spring Trade Show

When: Saturday, May 13

Evergreen Community Association is seeking vendors, volunteer and entertainment

For more information contact Helen at hel_125@hotmail.com



The Edwards School of Business Leadership Conference

When: May 18 Where: TCU Place Click <u>here</u> for information



Silverspring Community Association Annual Garage and Trunk Sale

When: Saturday, May 27 from 9 am - 3 pm

Where: Silverspring Community

For information or to register, click here

Note: you must register your house address by May 24 to be included on the office

garage sale map!



Race for Kids

When: Saturday, May 27 Where: Rotary Park, 10 am start "Support of Boys and Girls Clubs" Click <u>here</u> for details



The Teddy Bear Picnic 2017

When: May 27

Where: Deifenbaker Park



