

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



Provincial Point of View

November 7, 2017

LEST WE FORGET

WE WILL REMEMBER



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Remembrance Day is a time to thank each and every member of our Canadian Military for their service and sacrifice. They, along with their families made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedoms. That sacrifice will never go unnoticed.

I am looking forward to attending the Remembrance Day Service in Saskatoon. It is one of Canada's largest indoor Remembrance Day services and will be held at SaskTel Centre, 3515 Thatcher Avenue. The doors open at 9:00 am, choir begins at 9:25 with the service beginning at 10:25. A full parade 2000 strong will take place. This special service can also be viewed with slight tape-delay on local cable TV.

Public transportation is available from various locations:

Downtown Special Events Stop (23rd Street & 2nd Avenue) - buses will depart every 15 minutes between 9:00 and 10:15 a.m.

- Market Mall - Departure from the mall transit terminal at 9:45 a.m.
- The Centre Mall - Departure from the mall transit terminal at 9:45 a.m.
- Return trips will begin immediately following the close of ceremonies (approximately 12:15 p.m.).

Free service to and from SaskTel Centre will also be available for individuals using Access Transit - regular booking procedures apply.

For more information on Transit's free Remembrance Day service, please call Transit Customer Service at 306-975-3100.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES SASKATCHEWAN SCHOLARSHIP OF HONOUR RECIPIENTS

Scholarship of Honour



A **\$5K**
scholarship to
SK veterans
and their
families

The scholarship
provides recognition
to Canadian Armed
Forces members
who have served in
designated military
operations since
January 2001



A total of
\$915K
has been awarded to
183
Canadian Armed Forces
members and their
families



Advanced Education Minister Herb Cox recognized 22 new recipients of the Saskatchewan Scholarship of Honour at the Saskatchewan Legislature today.

The scholarship recognizes returning Canadian Armed Forces Members as well as the spouses and children of injured or fallen members. The scholarship provides a one-time award of \$5,000 toward post-secondary education.

“Our government admires the dedication and courage of the many men and women serving in Canada’s Armed Forces,” Cox said. “This scholarship will help them pursue their post-secondary studies and is a token of our gratitude and respect for their bravery. It is because of their service that we live in a country where freedom and peace are preserved.”

To learn more, click [here](#).

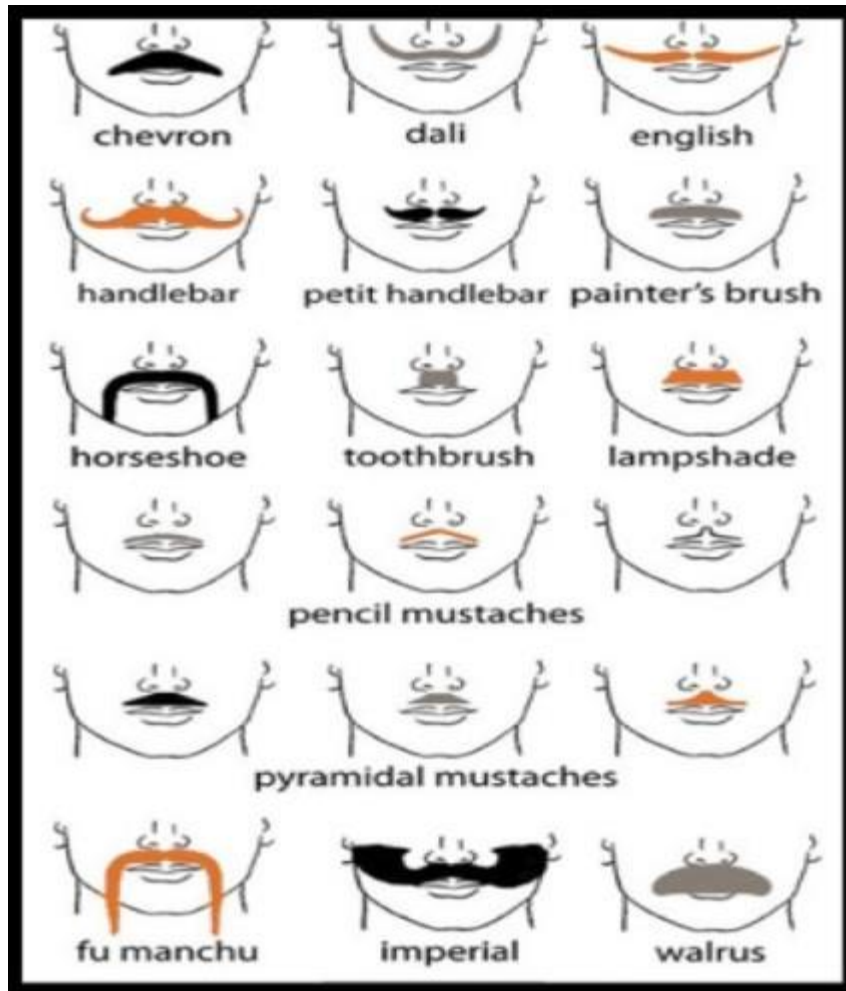
MOVEMBER!



The Movember flag was raised once again at the legislature today.

Colleagues from both sides of the Assembly joined together to raise the #Movember flag. All the best to #Movember Representatives for their participation in this important month to raise awareness for Prostate Cancer. You can support our Caucus

Team: <https://ca.movember.com/team/2287486>.



Time to choose your mustache style guys!! Get your friends, your family or your workplace on board. Spread the word, start a conversation, and raise money for vital men's health programs.

Sign up here and help support our largest donor and partner in men's health:

<http://www.prostatecancer.ca/Support/PCCN/Find-a-Group-Near-You/Saskatchewan>

SASKATCHEWAN SMALL BUSINESSES WILL PAY LESS TAX ON MORE INCOME IN 2018

Following legislative amendments which were introduced today, small businesses in Saskatchewan will soon have the highest income threshold in Canada.

Effective January 1, the provincial small business income threshold—the amount of income up to

which small businesses pay tax at the much lower two per cent small business tax rate—is going up from \$500,000 to \$600,000.

“Small businesses are so vital to the health of the economy that our government decided to further enhance the Saskatchewan Advantage,” Finance Minister Donna Harpauer said. “Increasing the income threshold to \$600,000 provides Saskatchewan small businesses with an incentive to hire more workers and invest new capital right here in our province. Meanwhile, rates for personal income tax in Saskatchewan continue to be reduced, which also helps create jobs.” Read more [here](#).

THREE TIPS FOR BOOKING WITH A TRAVEL AGENT



Travel agents can make planning a trip easy and effortless, but they often require large deposits of money up front. Many travellers pay deposits worth thousands of dollars by cheque, cash and credit to reserve their spots, but what happens if something goes wrong? What if the agency goes out of business?

You can take three steps to protect yourself in the event something goes wrong with a travel agency:

1. **Pay with a credit card.** It is easier to get a refund through a credit card provider.
2. **Minimize or avoid cash/cheque deposits.** It may be more difficult or impossible to get a refund if something goes wrong.
3. **Do research, read customer reviews, check with the Better Business Bureau and the Association of Canadian Travel Agencies (ACTA) at www.acta.ca, and confirm that the agency is well established and has a good reputation within the community.**

Contact Consumer Protection Division

The Consumer Protection Division may be able to help consumers who have problems with a travel agency. They can call toll free at 1-877-880-5550 or by email at consumerprotection@gov.sk.ca.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DROPS 5.9 PER CENT

Saskatchewan's unemployment rate dropped to 5.9 per cent in October from 7.0 per cent last year, tied for the third lowest in Canada (seasonally adjusted). Nationally, the unemployment rate was 6.3 per cent.

Our unemployment rate was down from 6.2 per cent in September. There were 565,800 people employed in October, down 3,400 from October 2016.

"We continue to see the impact of low resource prices on our labour market," Economy Minister Steven Bonk said. "However, having the third lowest unemployment rate in the nation shows Saskatchewan's economy is beginning to recover and that is a good reason to be optimistic about economic growth through the rest of 2017 and into next year."

Other October 2017 highlights include:

- Major year-over-year gains were reported for other services up 2,200; construction up 1,800; transportation and warehousing up 1,300.
- Saskatoon's employment was up 3,400 (+2.0 per cent) compared to last October.
- Regina's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate (5.4 per cent) was tied for tenth lowest, among major cities in Canada.

TOUGHER CONSEQUENCES FOR IMPAIRED DRIVERS WHO TRANSPORT CHILDREN



Longer Roadside Licence Suspensions, Vehicle Seizures if Kids Under 16 in Vehicle

Drivers with a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .04 or higher who transport children will face even longer roadside licence suspensions and vehicle seizures under legislation introduced today.

The Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2017 implements an immediate seven-day administrative driving suspension on a first offence for a person who transports a child under the age of 16 and has a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .04 or higher, refuses to undergo a field sobriety test or fails a field sobriety test. This is an increase from the current three-day roadside suspension. This is in addition to any jail sentence, fine, demerit points and additional sanctions that result from the impaired driving conviction.

“Impaired driving is always a terrible choice, but willfully putting children at risk deserves additional penalties,” Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance Joe Hargrave said. “This legislation is another tool in our government’s fight against Saskatchewan’s impaired driving problem.”

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

ATTORNEY GENERAL INTERVENES IN TRANS MOUNTAIN PIPELINE PROCEEDINGS

The Attorney General of Saskatchewan, concerned a British Columbia municipality is holding up a project that would create thousands of jobs for Canadians, has applied for intervenor status in the Trans Mountain Pipeline proceedings currently before the National Energy Board.

“We are disappointed the City of Burnaby is deliberately slowing down an important project for an industry that is only now recovering from the severe slowdown caused by low oil prices,” Justice Minister and Attorney General Don Morgan said. “Saskatchewan has consistently taken the position that once an interprovincial pipeline has been approved by the federal government, provinces and municipalities should not be able to interfere.”

“Our government will continue to advocate for an expansion of pipeline capacity across Canada,” Morgan said. “Our energy companies need to get their product to tidewater to ensure they receive the best price possible. All Canadians benefit from a thriving energy sector, including the citizens of Burnaby.”

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

NEW PROVINCIAL PARK IN SASKATCHEWAN'S PORCUPINE HILLS AREA



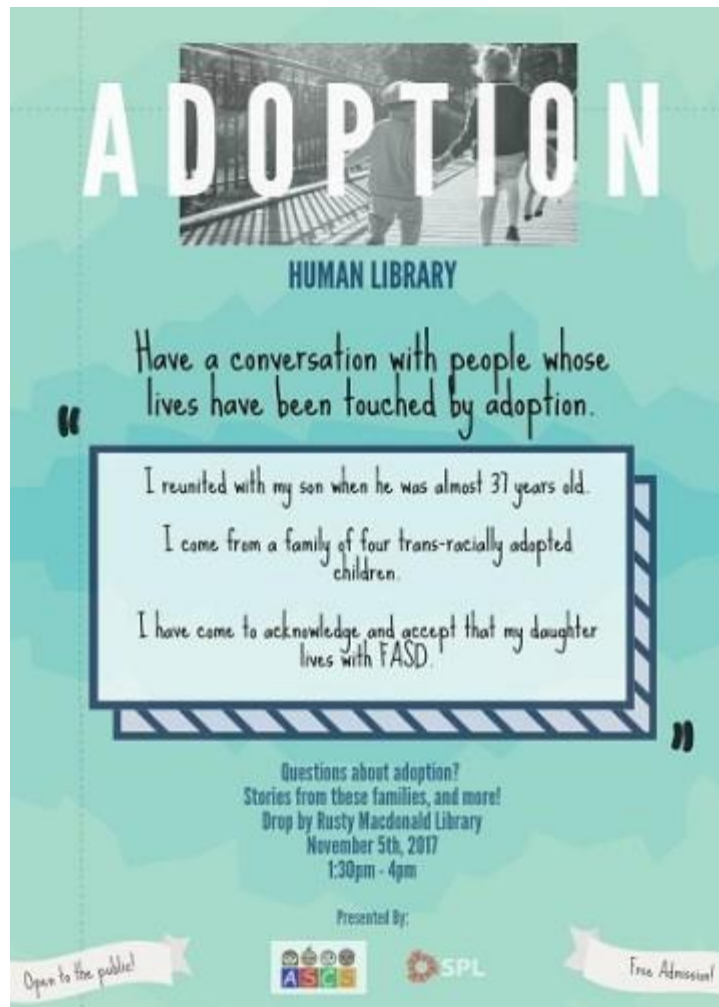
The Government of Saskatchewan is announcing the creation of a new park in the Porcupine Hills area, the second new provincial park created in the last five years.

The Porcupine Hills area, located southeast of the Town of Hudson Bay, boasts great camping and fishing. Snowmobiling and other winter activities are popular throughout the winter months. The Porcupine Hills area is a place like no other to relax, enjoy the scenery, go berry picking, or simply walk or hike.

“Designating this new provincial park is an exciting opportunity for our province,” Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Gene Makowsky said. “As an area known for its natural beauty, this new provincial park will ensure it remains available for camping, fishing, hunting and many more of Saskatchewan’s best-known outdoor activities for generations to come.”

Click [here](#) to read the entire news release.

NOVEMBER IS ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH



The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed November as Adoption Awareness Month to acknowledge and celebrate Saskatchewan’s adoptive families. The month also serves as an opportunity to highlight the Adoption Support Centre of Saskatchewan, and the services and supports they provide to people across the province.

“With as many as six out of 10 Saskatchewan people connected by adoption in some way during their lifetime, Adoption Awareness Month serves as a reminder of how many individuals have a personal connection to adoption,” Social Services Minister Paul Merriman said. “We value the services and supports provided through the Adoption Support Centre of Saskatchewan to those many individuals and families.”

Read more [here](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

- A list of shelters and services for people in need is available at www.sk.211.ca.
- Since the Saskatchewan Scholarship of Honour started in 2009, 183 have been awarded, totalling \$915,000.

GOVERNMENT PROCLAIMS CANADIAN DOWN SYNDROME WEEK IN SASKATCHEWAN



Saskatchewan has joined the country in proclaiming November 1-7, as Canadian Down Syndrome Week.

Canadian Down Syndrome Week was created by the Canadian Down Syndrome Society to show the world that Canada is a place where all people are valued and have the opportunity to be fully participating citizens. Their mission is to empower Canadians with Down syndrome and their families. This year's theme is "See the Ability".

The Government of Saskatchewan is committed to individuals living with disabilities so they can fully enjoy their rights and freedoms and be included in their communities. In June 2015, a comprehensive Disability Strategy was released and in December 2015, government announced its six priority areas: transportation, respite, accessibility legislation, residential services, service co-ordination and navigation, and awareness/understanding of the rights of people experiencing disabilities.

For more information, please click [here](#).

SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITIES WORK TO KEEP ALL PEOPLE SAFE THIS WINTER

Saskatchewan winters can be dangerous for people who don't have shelter or a home.

The Government of Saskatchewan, along with its community partners, encourages all Saskatchewan people to contact the Ministry of Social Services, community agencies or 911 if they, or someone else in need, is without shelter this winter.

Click [here](#) to see the phone numbers and information for those in need.

WINTER IS HERE!



Roads may be icy today. Here are some winter driving tips to stay safe:

- Clear snow from your vehicle and be sure your windows are completely defrosted before you drive.
- Slow down. Posted speed limits are for ideal driving conditions....
- Adjust your speed accordingly when conditions are less than favourable, like when roads are icy or there is low visibility.
- Leave more distance between your vehicle and the one in front of you, so you have more time to stop.
- Give yourself extra time to get to your destination so you're not tempted to drive too fast for road conditions.

- Turn on your headlights at night and any time visibility is poor, since some vehicles do not have taillights on when daytime running lights are being used.

NEW INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE IN REGINA READY FOR BUSINESS



The now completed International Trade Centre at Evraz Place in Regina will open its doors to the world later this month. The facility was funded in part by the Government of Canada's Growing Forward 2 agreement.

November 6, the Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) President and CEO Mark Allan toured several funding partners through the new, \$37 million centre. The fully-finished International Trade Centre will host its first major event, Canadian Western Agribition (CWA), from November 20-25, an event that attracts more than 120,000 visitors annually, including guests from 75 countries.

The 150,000-square foot, multi-purpose facility replaces a number of old buildings and barns, and will play a key role in major agricultural events such as Agribition and Canada's Farm Progress Show, in addition to hosting other major events and activities. The completion of the

International Trade Centre means all facilities at the 100-acre Evraz Place site are now interconnected with the exception of the new Mosaic Stadium. Click [here](#) to read the entire news release.

ATTENTION CAR CLUB MEMBERS AND ENTHUSIASTS



There may be snow on the ground but its a good time to think ahead and plan for the 2018 car shows! We may be several months away from the car show season, but the submission dates are just around the corner.

The first is the 2018 Auto Events Calendar, based out of Saskatoon, submission date is Dec 1, 2017. For information click [here](#).

The second show is the 2018 Northwest Cruise Calendar 33rd Annual Edition, based out of Calgary, submission date is Feb 28, 2018. For information, click [here](#).

Questions? Contact Al Kirchgessner at alk-gwl@hotmail.ca

SASKATCHEWAN CELEBRATES SKILLED TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK

SKILLED TRADES & TECHNOLOGY WEEK

November 5-11, 2017



PUT YOUR SKILLS TO WORK!



Calling all students and teachers to participate!

For more information:
www.skillscanadasask.com
youthapprenticeship@gov.sk.ca



Saskatchewan people are encouraged to explore and discover the opportunities in the skilled trades and technologies from November 5 until November 11, 2017.

The Government of Saskatchewan has declared this week as Skilled Trades and Technology Week, highlighted by an event on November 7. The week will also be celebrated throughout Canada with National Skilled Trades and Technology Week.

“Skilled Trades and Technology Week plays an important role in highlighting the opportunities for careers in skilled trades,” Economy Minister Steven Bonk said. “It will also celebrate the services provided by skilled tradespeople in Saskatchewan and encourage young people to pursue a career in this sector in their home province.”

[Click here to read the release.](#)

COMING EVENTS

**IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO HIGHLIGHT
IN THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE LET US KNOW!**

Provincial Point of View is a great way to connect with our community. We appreciate the opportunity to share the successes we see in our constituency and highlight the many events happening in our community. If you have a suggestion for items you would like highlighted in this newsletter, please email: ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net



Still time to get to the second Information Session

- Proposed Fire Station Come & Go

When: November 9th

Where: November 9th, 6 - 8:30 pm, Saskatoon Field House Meeting Rm #3



TUES. NOV. 7 • 6 - 8:30 P.M.
Sutherland School

THURS. NOV. 9 • 6 - 8:30 P.M.
Saskatoon Field House

[Remembrance Day Service and Parade](#)

Where: SaskTel Centre, doors open at 9 am, event begins at 10:25

When: November 11th

Click [here](#) for details



[Our Best To You Art & Craft Sale](#)

When: November 17 - 19

Where: Saskatoon Prairieland Park, Hall E

For more information, click [here](#)



[27th Annual Santa Claus Day Parade](#)

When: November 19

Where: Saskatoon's Central Business District

Click [here](#) for additional information and to see the parade route



Festival of Trees

When: Nov. 24 - December 2

Where: Western Development Museum

Click [here](#) for information



Favourite Things 2017

Friday, Nov, 24 - Saturday, Dec. 2
Western Development Museum



BHP Billiton Enchanted Forest Holiday Light Tour

When: November 18 - January 7

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park

Click [here](#) for details



November 18 -
January 6 Nightly

A Saskatchewan
Christmas Tradition for 19 Years

BHP
Enchanted
Forest

Limited
Light Displays
now available
for sponsorship
Website, phone or email
(306) 222-5392 or
email hvassos@sasktel.net
TODAY

2017-2018
Saskatoon
Forestry Farm Park

HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR

Featuring
the New
Grinch Display

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THOUGHT OF THE DAY



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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 Willowgrove. 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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