

# Provincial Point of View October 2, 2018

#### WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING WEEKEND



Thanksgiving Day in Canada has been a holiday on the second Monday of October since 1957. It is a chance for people to give thanks for a good harvest and other fortunes in the past year.

I hope this Thanksgiving finds you with plenty of reasons to give thanks. Please take time to enjoy family and friends and take a few moments to give thanks to everyone who has sacrificed to make our world a warm and happier place. Appreciation can change the moment, the day or even change a life! Enjoy this special weekend and take time to celebrate this holiday of peace while reflecting on how fortunate we are to live in Saskatchewan.

This weekend always makes me think of the end of harvest and the many delicious fall suppers I attended in Blaine Lake and many communities across the province. Traditions like fall suppers hold

fond memories of neighbours and friends getting together to enjoy fantastic food and fellowship.

Trish, Carter, Paige and I wish you blessings of health and happiness and send you our warmest wishes for a plentiful Thanksgiving!

### OPENING OF THE CHIEF MISTAWASIS BRIDGE TODAY IN SASKATOON



Photo credit: Saskatoon StarPhoenix

I was pleased to be in attendance at the historic opening of the Chief Mistawasis Bridge followed by the reopening of the traffic bridge downtown. I've been out on the doorsteps in my constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove and constituents are looking forward to saving time getting around our city and especially saving valuable time on their commute to work.

Premier Scott Moe: "This morning, we opened the Chief Mistawasis Bridge in Saskatoon as part of a partnership between the City of Saskatoon, the Province of Saskatchewan, and the Government of Canada."

The Chief Mistawasis Bridge was part of a bundle that included the new Traffic Bridge, both delivered on time and on budget. This project is a key part of our plan to build infrastructure and support the growing needs of our population, throughout Saskatchewan, including in the city of Saskatoon and surrounding area.

Check the Saskatoon StarPhoenix article here.

YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND THE THRONE SPEECH OCTOBER 24th, 2018

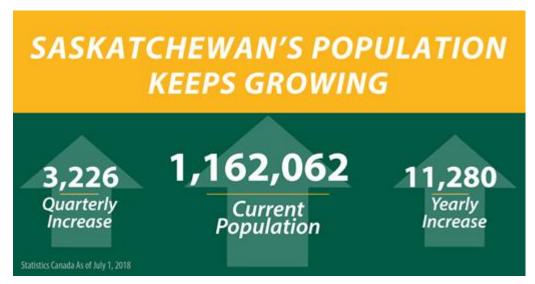


The Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan His Honour the Honourable W. Thomas Molloy will formally open the Third Session of the Twenty-Eighth Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan in the Assembly Chamber at two o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 on which occasion you are invited to be present.

I have a limited number of invitations available, so please contact my office at <a href="mailto:ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net">ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net</a> as soon as possible if you wish to attend. You will be provided confirmation of an invitation.

Speakers tea to follow.

#### SASKATCHEWAN'S POPULATION KEEPS GROWING



Saskatchewan's population continues to grow, reaching 1,162,062 people as of July 1, 2018 according to new figures released today by Statistics Canada. That's an increase of 3,226 people in the past quarter and 11,280 people in the past year.

The new population figure is slightly lower than previous estimates from Statistics Canada due to the post-census revision that is done every five years. The revised population estimates still show that Saskatchewan's population has grown in every quarter for the past 49 consecutive quarters, the longest period of sustained growth since quarterly records were first kept beginning in 1971.

"Saskatchewan's population has grown for more than 49 consecutive quarters, showing that our province is the place to be to live, work and to raise a family," Immigration and Career Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Newcomers to Saskatchewan are adding to the strength of our province and contributing to our growing economy."

During the second quarter of 2018 (April 1 to July 1), Saskatchewan's population increase was made up of a natural increase (births minus deaths) of 1,659 and net international migration of 4,385, offset by net interprovincial migration of -2,818.

OKTOBERFEST DINNER & COMEDY NIGHT - GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!



If you're looking for a fantastic evening of entertainment and great food while supporting a very worthwhile cause, get your tickets to the Octoberfest Dinner & Comedy Night! Jubilee Residences Foundation is hosting this great evening of fun and laughter Friday, October 19th at the German Club. The residents of Stensrud and Porteous Lodge will reap the benefits of funds raised through this highly entertaining evening exploding with laughter, schnitzels and music.

Doors open at 6 pm at the German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartwright Street East.

If you're thinking about purchasing a ticket, the reasons below should help you make a decision to attend this entertaining event!

- Oom-pah-pah, craft beer sampling and cocktails
- Authentic hearty German buffet
- Entertainment by Lars Callieou who has appeared at the Just for Laughs Festival and has a 1-Hour Comedy Special currently airing on The Comedy Network
- Unique live and silent auction packages

Limited tickets are available. Get yours today by clicking here or by calling 306.955.0234. .

### QUINN STEVENSION 6TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL HOCKEY DAY OCTOBER 6TH



The 6th annual Quinn Stevenson Memorial Hockey Day, will be held on Saturday, October 6th at ACT Arena. The day will feature the traditional Redwing team scrimmages in what for many of them will be the first game of the season, with their newly formed teams.

As in previous years, there will be a bake sale from 10 am - 3 pm (or whenever the baking is gone) and a progressive 50/50 draw. Donations of baking will be graciously accepted prior to 10 AM.

If you're able to volunteer your time to sell 50/50 or work the bake sale, contact Bonny at bonnystevenson@sasktel.net or 306-290-8278. All profits from this day will be donated to MADD Saskatoon.

Quinn loved being a Redwing - thanks for remembering him!

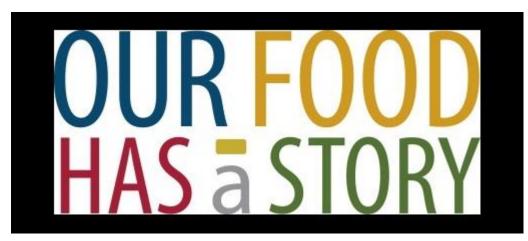
### EVERYGREEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



We are fortunate to have such incredible community associations in our constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove. Last evening I had the opportunity to attend the Evergreen Community Association 2018 Annual General Meeting.

Special thanks to the many volunteers that took on important roles in the association. They all help to make our community a better place. To learn more about the Evergreen Community Association and their activities, click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### CELEBRATING AGRICULTURE MONTH IN SASKATCHEWAN



October has been proclaimed as Agriculture Month in Saskatchewan. Throughout the month people are encouraged to learn more about Saskatchewan agriculture and get involved in the conversation about modern food production.

Keeping the momentum of previous years, the theme for Agriculture Month is "Our Food Has a Story." People are invited to share their unique food story to build a connection between how our food is produced and ends up on our plates.

"Agriculture Month provides an opportunity for our producers to show their passion for producing sustainable, healthy and affordable food," Agriculture Minister David Marit said. "By connecting with consumers about what we do, and why we do it, farmers and ranchers are building public trust and that is an important part of our industry in Saskatchewan."

Read the entire news release here.

### TRANSCANADA SAYS IT REMAINS COMMITTED TO MOVING AHEAD WITH THE KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE



Photo credit Daniel Acker/Bloomerg

Premier Scott Moe, "It's encouraging to finally hear that the Keystone XL pipeline will get underway next year, after years of review and process. At a bare minimum, we need to ease the capacity issues pipelines have in getting western Canadian oil to market.

The problem still remains: our energy's only path to market flows through the United States. What is truly needed is a path to new markets.

That's what makes projects like Trans Mountain and Energy East so important: getting Canadian oil no...t just across Canada, but getting it to tidewater, and the potential access to markets beyond our continent. Let's get these pipelines built."

Read the CBC news story here.

QUESTIONS ABOUT FAMILY LAW?



Do you need help with court forms and processes?

Do you wonder if you have options other than going to court?

#### Come with your questions!

#### Saskatoon Public Library Frances Morrison Central Branch - 311 23 St E. Thursday, September 6: 6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday, September 20: 6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday, October 11: 6:30 – 8:30 pm Thursday, October 25: 6:30 – 8:30 pm 6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday, November 1: 6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday, November 22: 6:30 - 8:30 pm 6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday, December 6: Cliff Wright Branch - 1635 McKercher Drive Thursday, September 20: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thursday, October 25: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, November 22: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Dr. Freda Ahenakew Branch - 219 Avenue K South 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, September 6: Thursday, October 11: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, November 1: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, December 6:

Law Society Library	
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Friday, September 21:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, October 12:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, October 26:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, November 2:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, November 23:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, December 7:	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

No registration is required. For more information, contact syp@gov.sk.ca or call 1-888-218-2822 (ext. 2)













If you're dealing with a family law issue in Saskatoon and you could use help with court forms and processes, or you just want to know what your options are, consider attending the various walk-in clinics available.

TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST TICKS - EVEN IN COOL WEATHER

### Protect yourself



#### American Dog Tick

- Does NOT transmit Lyme disease
- Most common in Saskatchewan



- Can carry Lyme and other diseases
- Occasionally found in Saskatchewan
- Wear pants, a long-sleeved shirt and close-toed shoes or boots.
- · Use insect repellent containing DEET or Icaridin.
- Check yourself, your children and pets after being outdoors.
- Remove any attached ticks promptly with tweezers.
- See your healthcare provider if you suspect you have a tick-borne disease such as Lyme.

For more information, visit saskatchewan.ca/lyme or call HealthLine 811.





Saskatchewan people are advised to continue to take precautions against tick bites when spending time outdoors. The black-legged ticks that can carry a bacteria that causes Lyme disease are rare in this province, but are most active in the cooler months of October, November and April.

Hunters, hikers and anyone else enjoying the outdoors should take simple precautions before going into grassy, bushy or treed areas. Use insect repellent containing DEET. Check yourself, your children and your pets afterwards. If any ticks are found, they should be carefully and promptly removed with tweezers.

"In Saskatchewan, the risk of being exposed to Lyme disease is low, but not zero," Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Denise Werker said. "Less than half a per cent of ticks found here are the black-legged ticks that can be infected with the bacteria that causes Lyme disease, and only a small percentage of those may be infected."

Information on ticks and Lyme disease is available at www.saskatchewan.ca/lyme.

### MINIMUM WAGE IN SASKATCHEWAN IS \$11.06 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1

The province's minimum wage will increase to \$11.06 per hour, an increase that was announced in June 2018. This is the 10th increase to the minimum wage since 2007, when minimum wage was \$7.95.

Every year Saskatchewan's minimum wage is calculated using an indexation formula that gives equal weight to changes to the Consumer Price Index and Average Hourly Wage for Saskatchewan.

"Since 2011, we have been able to provide predictable annual minimum wage increases, allowing employers and employees to prepare and plan for change," Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister Don Morgan said. "Saskatchewan also has a low personal income tax rate and Low Income Tax Credit, helping low income earners keep more money in their pockets."

The government introduced an indexation formula in 2010. Increases are announced by June 30 and take effect on October 1 of each year. There are approximately 49,500 minimum wage and low-wage earners in the province. Of that group, 57 per cent work part-time.

#### CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON NEW SCHOOL IN ROSTHERN



September 27, Premier Scott Moe, joined together with members of the Prairie Spirit School Division, students, teachers, and local community members to break ground on the start of construction of the new Rosthern school project.

The estimated \$25 million project will be built to replace Rosthern Elementary School and Rosthern High School.

"Our continued investment into Saskatchewan's schools will directly and positively impact the future success of our students," Moe said. "Our government is pleased to contribute to this new facility that will benefit the entire community of Rosthern for years to come. We strongly believe students deserve a great place to learn and a school that excites them and fills them with pride."

Click here to read the entire news release.

#### BE SEEN, BE AWARE, BE SAFE



Be safe when transporting farm equipment on public highways. Ensure your lights are working and adjusted, and that your equipment has been inspected and is in proper working order.

It is a busy time of year as farmers try to get their crops off. To read the crop report for the period September 18 to 24, 2018, click <u>here.</u>

PROTECTIVE SERVICE MEDAL HONOURS LONG-SERVING EMERGENCY PROFESSIONALS IN SASKATOON



Today Lieutenant Governor W. Thomas Molloy joined Provincial Secretary Nadine Wilson to honour the latest recipients of the Saskatchewan Protective Services Medal.

"The men and women we honour today have continuously put the lives and well-being of others ahead of their own," Wilson said. "Their courageous dedication has made an impact on communities across the province and I thank them for their service."

The medal honours personnel with 25 years of service in Saskatchewan in the emergency services field, including police services, fire services, emergency medical services, federal and provincial corrections and the Canadian forces.

Click <u>here</u> to read the entire news release.

MINISTER JOE HARGRAVE RECEIVES CITIZEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD



Congratulations to colleague Joe Hargrave on receiving the Citizen of Distincion Award from MADD Canada.

Premier Scott Moe, "A well-deserved honour.. and thanks especially to SGI, MADD Prince Albert, and the many individuals and families who have worked hard to help make our roads safe."

GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN FIRST IN CANADA TO LAUNCH GOVERNMENT-WIDE RESPECT IN THE WORKPLACE TRAINING FOR EMPLOYEES



The Government of Saskatchewan is providing all employees with Respect in the Workplace training to support healthy and inclusive workplaces for government employees.

"We are proud to be the first government in Canada to offer this comprehensive training program to all employees," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Gene Makowsky said on behalf of Minister Responsible for the Public Service Commission Ken Cheveldayoff. "This is part of a commitment to safe, healthy workplaces and improving service to our clients and citizens, by providing our employees with training on important topics."

Read the entire news release here.

SASKATCHEWAN LAUNCHES NEW TAX INCENTIVE FOR TECHNOLOGY STARTUPS

### SASKATCHEWAN TECHNOLOGY START-UP TAX INCENTIVE

# Launched: October 1, 2018

The province's growing technology sector will receive an additional boost through Innovation Saskatchewan's new tax incentive program.

The Saskatchewan Technology Startup Incentive (STSI) is a non-refundable 45 per cent tax credit for individual, corporate, or venture capital corporations investing in eligible startup businesses (ESBs) on a first-come-first-serve-basis. An investor can earn a maximum of \$225,000 in tax credits per investment in an ESB and claim a maximum of \$140,000 per tax year, and can carry forward the credit for four years. The STSI will be available for two-and-a-half years, with a total budget of \$7 million.

The STSI is a pilot program offered by Innovation Saskatchewan (IS), designed to encourage investment in early-stage technology startups. Technology startups within the program will not only bring new products and services to market, but they will also create jobs within Saskatchewan.

"The technology sector is flourishing here, and our government is committed to helping entrepreneurs and startup companies thrive," Minister Responsible for Innovation Saskatchewan Tina Beaudry-Mellor said. "The STSI is an excellent way to attract investment to this growing sector and Innovation Saskatchewan is excited to see the investor interest and economic growth that will be generated." Continue reading this news release <a href="here">here</a>.

PROVINCE PROCAIMS OCTABER AS DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH



The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed October as Disability Employment Awareness Month.

Every year, this month is set aside to promote the individual, economic and societal benefits of diversifying Saskatchewan's workforce by employing people experiencing disability.

"We all benefit from an inclusive, accessible and welcoming province where everyone can realize their full potential and contribute their strengths to growing Saskatchewan," Immigration and Career Training Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "To help make this a reality, the provincial government is committed to reducing barriers to employment and to enhancing social and economic inclusion for people experiencing disability, through a sound Disability Strategy."

Click here to read the entire news release.

#### **GOVERNMENT PROCLAIMS OCTOBER AS INCLUSION MONTH**



The Government of Saskatchewan has once again proclaimed October as Inclusion Month in Saskatchewan.

Inclusion Month is an opportunity to celebrate the positive difference inclusion has made in the lives of people with intellectual disabilities who are included in the communities where they live. It also is an opportunity to acknowledge the important work that staff and volunteers of Inclusion Saskatchewan do.

Read the news release here.

#### WHEN YOU'RE BEHIND THE WHEEL, JUST DRIVE



Distracted driving is the Traffic Safety Spotlight for October. So leave your phone alone. Keep your head up, with your eyes on the road, not on your lap. Avoid the \$280 fine and four demerits, or worse yet, causing a collision because of something as pointless as reading a text.



Premier Scott Moe, "Bill C-69 has already been dubbed the "no more pipelines" bill. As if that's not bad enough, have you seen what it will do to our mining sector, according to the <u>Saskatchewan Mining Association?</u>"



SIXTIES SCOOP SHARING CLIRCLES TO BEGIN ACROSS SASKATCHEWAN

NEW MELVILLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT TAKING SHAPE

ANIMAL HEALTH WEEK PROCLAIMED FOR SEPTEMBER 30 TO OCTOBER 6, 2018

NEW DAY PROGRAM FACILITY OPENS IN MEADOW LAKE

MINISTER APPOINTS SUPERVISOR FOR RM OF MCKILLOP NO. 220

GOVERNMENTS BREAK GROUND ON 11 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOMES IN REGINA

To read additional government news releases click here.

## 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. I appreciate your feedback.



#### Octoberfest

When: October 19, 6 pm

Where: German Club

Click here for information



#### Knights of Columbus 5th Annual Celebrity Dinner

Where: Cathedral of the Holy Family

When: October 27

Click here for information



#### Lows In Motion

When: November 3 at 6:45 pm

Where: Prairieland Park

Click <u>here</u> for information



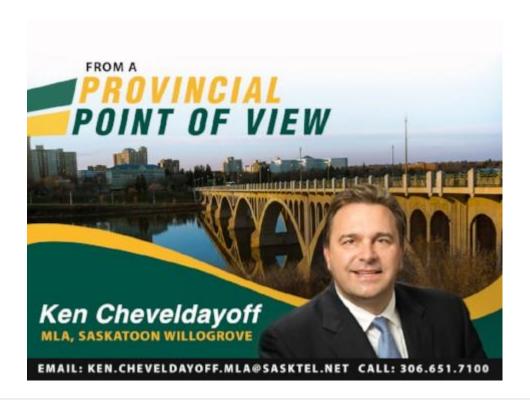
#### October ....



Be the one to make a positive difference in your life and in someone else's life.



Check out the activities in your community this month to raise awareness and funds for Breast Cancer.



#### **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**



friend on Facebook | forward to a friend

#### **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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