

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



Provincial Point of View

**October 31, 2017
Happy Halloween!**

Please take extra caution driving today

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



Happy Halloween! Drivers, be alert tonight. Slow down and watch for pedestrians. Parents, make sure your trick-or-treaters don't venture onto the roadway and put themselves at risk. [#TrafficTipTuesday](#)

Halloween is an exciting day for children. I encourage everyone to follow the tips below to ensure our children enjoy a safe Halloween.

- Plan a route, if you have little ones this can be the best way to navigate a safe path.
- Costumes should be bright, though some of our scary ones will be in dark costumes to cause the most fright, a little reflective tape or a bright scarf will make them better to see. If the best costume ever needs a mask, make sure that the eye and mouth holes are big enough for them to see and breath out of.
- The older kids, who can go on their own without an adult, should have a flashlight, stay in a group and have an agreed upon time to return home to check the treats.

I hope that everyone has a safe and fun time this Halloween!

Why did Dracula's mother give him cough medicine?
Because he was having a coffin fit!

What do you call a ghost with a broken leg?
A hobblin' goblin!

What do you call two spiders that just got married?
Newlywebs!

AMBITIOUS LEGISLATIVE AGENDA OUTLINED IN PREMIER WALL'S LAST THRONE SPEECH



2017 SASKATCHEWAN
THRONE SPEECH:

GROWING STRONGER

THRONE SPEECH HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Fulfill commitment for individualized funding to children under six with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ✓ Protect the right to school choice by invoking the notwithstanding clause of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- ✓ Work with municipalities to allow ride sharing services like Uber and Lyft
- ✓ Reduce small business taxes while providing an incentive to attract new value-added agriculture investment
- ✓ Continue to improve internet and cellular coverage throughout rural Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Party

Ambitious Legislative Agenda Outlined in Premier Wall's Last Throne Speech

The new session of the Legislature opened October 25th with the government outlining a busy legislative agenda in the Throne Speech.

“Saskatchewan has enjoyed a decade of growth and our government is working to ensure our province keeps growing stronger,” Premier Brad Wall said. “Today’s Throne Speech outlines our plan to strengthen our economy, continue to improve important services like health care and education, protect our communities, and carefully manage the province’s finances.”

The Throne Speech outlined the government’s plans to:

- Fulfill its commitment to provide individualized funding to children under six with Autism Spectrum Disorder;
- Improve the rate of organ donation in the province through a new program led by donor physicians;
- Continue reducing health care administration costs through the consolidation of the province’s 12 regional health authorities into a single Saskatchewan Health Authority;
- Introduce legislation that will protect the right to school choice by invoking the notwithstanding clause of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms;
- Introduce legislation to facilitate the federal government’s legalization of the use of non-medical marijuana, even though the province continues to have concerns about the federal government’s rushed timetable;
- Work with municipalities to allow ride sharing-services like Uber and Lyft to operate in Saskatchewan;
- Amend *The Privacy Act* to allow greater protection against the unauthorized electronic distribution of intimate images;
- Create a process to improve the disclosure of decisions made by the Office of Residential Tenancies (Rentalsman’s Office) to better protect the rights of both tenants and landlords;
- Repeal the provisions of Bill 40 that allow for the sale of a partial equity position in a Crown Corporation;
- Continue to improve internet and cellular coverage throughout rural Saskatchewan;
- Consider a range of retaliatory trade measures that could be implemented in response to Alberta’s beer rebate program that discriminates against Saskatchewan brewers;
- Focus Saskatchewan’s business tax reductions on small businesses by returning the corporate tax rate to 12 per cent – the same as other western provinces – and raising the small business income threshold to \$600,000, the highest in Canada;
- Introduce an Agriculture Value Added New Growth Incentive to attract more investment;

- Introduce further actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while continuing to oppose the imposition of a carbon tax in Saskatchewan, including through a legal challenge if necessary;
- Create a new provincial park in the Porcupine Hills, southeast of Hudson Bay; and
- Introduce a new Seniors Education Property Tax Deferral Program that will give seniors with household incomes under \$70,000 the option to defer the education portion of property tax on their homes.

“Even after a decade of growth, there is still a lot of work to do and our government has many new ideas and initiatives we will be introducing during this session,” Wall said. “I look forward to a vigorous debate on our agenda and to moving forward with our government’s plan to keep Saskatchewan growing stronger.”

Wall thanked Lieutenant Governor Vaughn Solomon Schofield for delivering what is likely to be her last Throne Speech, as a new Lieutenant Governor is expected to be appointed in the coming months.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2017



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.

In Saskatoon, one of Canada's largest indoor Remembrance Day services 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:

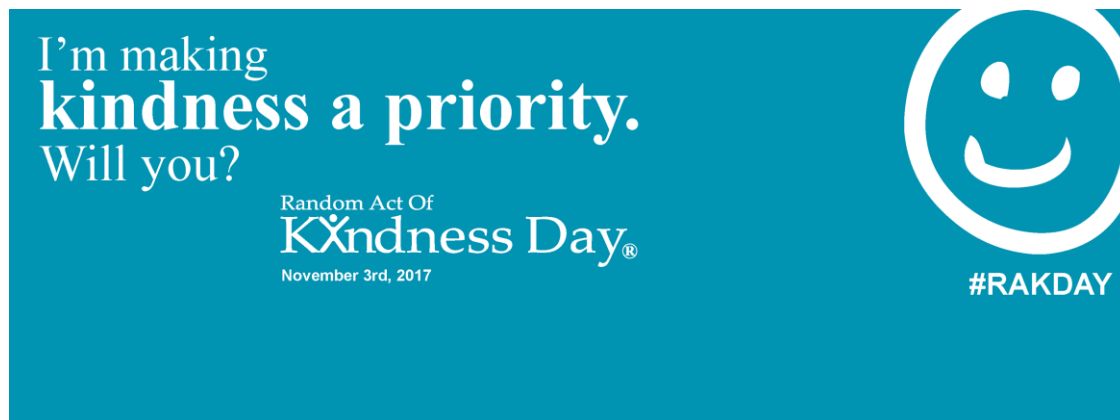
- Downtown Special Events Stop (23rd Street & 2nd Avenue) - buses will depart every 15 minutes between 9:00 and 10:15 a.m.
- Market Mall - Departure from the mall transit terminal at 9:45 a.m.
- The Centre Mall - Departure from the mall transit terminal at 9:45 a.m.

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.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 IS RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS DAY IN SASKATOON



This year, Random Act of Kindness Day is November 3rd. It is a city wide celebration of kindness promoting a 'pay it forward' movement in the community that takes place annually on the first Friday in November. It is not a fundraising activity and no solicitation occurs during this event. RAK Day is meant to be a fun and simple way to encourage unexpected moments of kindness in our community. Driven by a dedicated committee of volunteers in the business community, we celebrate the fifth annual RAK Day in Saskatoon. Click [here](#) to read more about this great day.

You can participate in Random Act of Kindness Day, not only this week but every day! The following was taken from the Saskatoon Community Foundation Website. I hope you'll look through the list and find a random act of kindness you can do for someone! See several more RAK ideas [here](#).

- Send a letter, a card, or make a telephone call to a long lost friend or relative and renew that relationship
- Invite someone to dinner who is alone or on their own
- Offer a ride to someone to appointment, shopping etc.
- Send a thank you/congratulatory note to a co-worker/classmate, appreciating their efforts and the difference they make
- Smile, talk, or “hang out” with a co-worker/classmate with whom you may not usually do so
- Open and hold a door for someone
- Leave a thank you note for the paperboy/postal worker
- Give gently used toys and clothing to a shelter
- Comfort someone who is in need
- Give a friendly welcome to newcomers in your neighbourhood, at work, or at school

FINAL CROP REPORT FOR 2017

Harvest virtually complete in SK

For the week of Oct. 17 - Oct. 23, 2017



Harvest has all but wrapped up for producers in the province as 99 per cent of the crop is now combined, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's Weekly Crop Report. There are still some crops such as flax, soybean and sunflower left to be combined. Harvest weather was favourable for much of the fall, allowing producers to pull off well above-average crop quality.

For a complete copy of the Crop Report, visit

<http://www.publications.gov.sk.ca/redirect.cfm?p=87698&i=104383>.

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



Combines have sure changed since my days growing up in Blaine Lake. I enjoyed the opportunity to help a friend with their harvest near Allan, Saskatchewan. Harvesting near a Potash Mine it doesn't get any more Saskatchewan than that! Our food has a story. Thank you Saskatchewan farmers.

REDUCING SMALL BUSINESS TAX



Effective January 1, small businesses will be able to earn up to \$600,000 at the small business tax rate of 2%, up from \$500,000. This will make it the highest small business threshold in all of Canada, reducing taxes for our job creators.

Tax rates for larger businesses will remain tied for the lowest in western Canada. We will continue to support all Saskatchewan entrepreneurs, who help our province grow even stronger.

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED TO SUPPORT VICTIMS OF "REVENGE PORN"

The Government of Saskatchewan has introduced legislation that will create new legal options for people whose intimate images have been shared without their consent.

“This Bill sends a strong message that this callous, criminal behaviour has consequences, and that the Government of Saskatchewan stands with the victims of this type of attack,” Justice Minister and Attorney General Don Morgan said.

The Privacy Amendment Act, 2017 will allow a person whose intimate image has been distributed

without their consent to sue the person who distributed the image. It will also shift the onus of proof to the person that circulated the image, requiring them to show that they had a reasonable basis to conclude consent had been granted to do so.

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

ENCHANTED FOREST "LIGHT WALK"



Mark your calendars for November 17th! The Saskatchewan Blue Cross Light Walk is a chance for families and friends to spend time together, be active and view the [Enchanted Forest's](#) holiday light display on foot. Two evenings each season are dedicated to this holiday tradition that raises funds for the Saskatoon Zoo Foundation and the Saskatoon City Hospital Foundation. Of course, cookies and hot chocolate will be available.

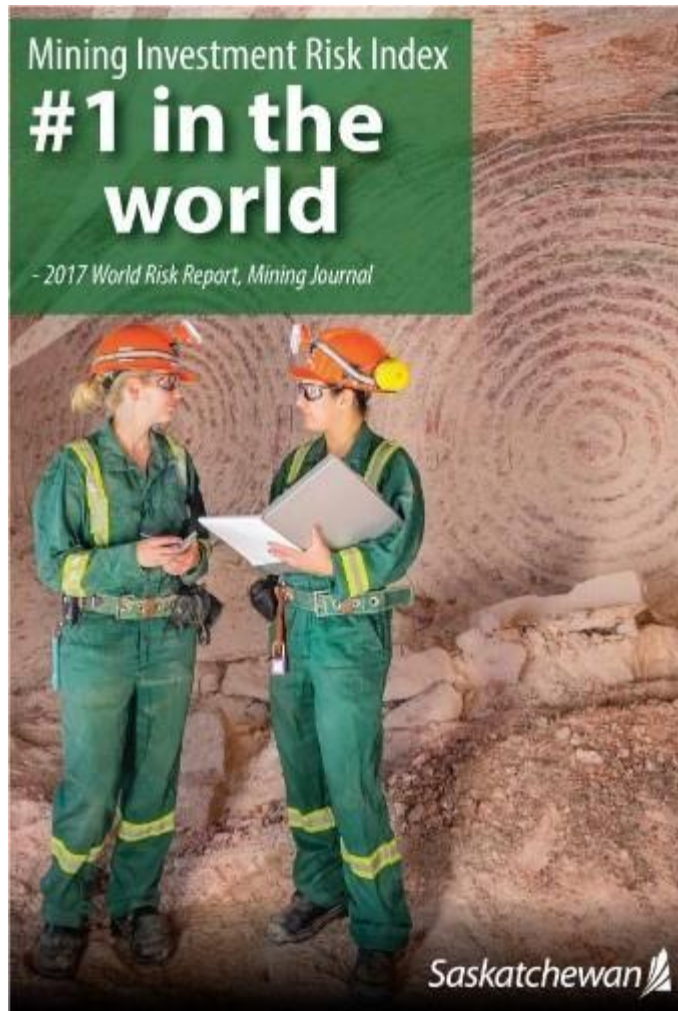
ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL "LOWS IN MOTION"



Congratulations to organizer Travis Low and his incredible team on success of their 9th Annual fundraiser "Lows in Motion Shaker" presented by Ens Auto. This fantastic event continues to raise funds to help in the fight against Parkinson's Disease. The committee is amazed by the community's support of their efforts. They have raised over \$500,000 net proceeds since inception.

A truly Saskatchewan event showing the volunteerism, spirit and generosity of Saskatchewan people.

MINING INVESTMENT RISK INDEX #1 IN THE WORLD



Premier Brad Wall, "Saskatchewan is now ranked #1 in the world for places to invest resource capital by the Mining Journal's World Risk Report.

Thank you to our industry partners for their work as we continue to build the Saskatchewan Advantage.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SASKATOON HILLTOPS!

CANADA BOWL 2017



Saturday November 11th - TBA

What an exciting time for the Hilltops. They have made their way to the Canadian Bowl final taking place November 11th following a decisive 48-0 win against the Vancouver Island Raiders in the Canadian Junior Football League semifinal October 29th.

Congratulations and good luck to the Hilltops as they go on to win the Canadian Bowl!

SENIORS PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL



PROMISE KEPT

SENIORS PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL

ANNOUNCED IN THE 2017 THRONE SPEECH:

- ✓ Allow seniors with incomes under \$70,000 to defer education property taxes
- ✓ Providing greater financial flexibility for seniors
- ✓ Assisting seniors to stay in their own homes for longer

Saskatchewan Party

Premier Brad Wall, "As announced in the Throne Speech, we're keeping our promise to low-to-moderate-income seniors to defer the education portion of their property taxes.

This will help Saskatchewan seniors be more financially stable and allow them to stay in their homes longer."

GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN SUPPORTS WOMEN'S FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE



The Government of Saskatchewan remains committed to improving women’s economic security through labour force participation, including entrepreneurial activities. In recognition of the Women’s History Month’s theme Women in the Economy, the Government of Saskatchewan would like to acknowledge women entrepreneurs across the province.

“Saskatchewan women make significant contributions toward the long-term economic growth and prosperity of our province,” Minister Responsible for the Status of Women Bronwyn Eyre said. “We continue to see the benefits of our province’s education system and how they lead to significant strides made by women entrepreneurs in Saskatchewan.”

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

REMAI MODERN ART GALLERY OF SASKATCHEWAN



Tourism Saskatchewan:

Check it out! The [Remai Modern Art Gallery of Saskatchewan](https://remaimodern.org/) is informed by the rich culture and history of the Prairies, including Indigenous artists and nations, distinct modernist influences and a legacy of progressive support for the arts.

405 linocuts by Pablo Picasso were generously donated to the gallery by Frank and Ellen Rемаi, making the Rемаi Modern home to the most comprehensive collection in the world.

Find out more about the gallery here: <https://remaimodern.org/>

Photo location: South Saskatchewan River, Saskatoon

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**ENTREPRENEUR HUSEYIN ARSLAN RECOGNIZED FOR
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO SASKATCHEWAN**



Premier Brad Wall presented the Saskatchewan Distinguished Service Award to agricultural entrepreneur Huseyin Arslan, the executive chairman of AGT Foods and Ingredients today.

“Huseyin has played a pivotal role in the transformation of Saskatchewan agriculture by investing in our province to create one of the world’s largest pulse processing firms,” Wall said. “His hard work, dedication and vision have resulted in a Saskatchewan-based company that now operates 47 facilities on five different continents and employs more than 450 staff here in Saskatchewan, while opening new markets for thousands of the province’s farmers.”

Read the news release [here](#).

PHASE ONE OF THE REGINA BYPASS COMPLETE



The first phase of the Regina Bypass construction between Balgonie and Highway 33 is now complete, marking a major milestone for the project. The bypass will improve safety, divert large truck traffic around Regina and help eliminate traffic congestion.

“This is a great example of how governments and the private sector can successfully work together to deliver the public infrastructure Canadians need,” said Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities. “The on-time opening of this phase of the Regina Bypass is a significant milestone for this important project.”

“The Regina Bypass is the largest infrastructure project in our province’s history and is representative of our government’s growth plan, and an opportunity to grow our economy,” Highways and Infrastructure David Marit said. “The Bypass will increase safety in and around the Regina area, while helping to improve the flow of traffic for commuters and commercial truckers. We thank the communities in the area for their on-going patience.”

Read more [here](#).

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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



Choc 'la Cure

When: November 3, 6 pm

Where: Dutch Growers

Click [here](#) for details



CANADA, One People, One Voice

Where: Erindale Alliance Church

When: November 4th, 3 pm & 7 pm

Click [here](#) for information



Pitch Party - Save the Date

When: November 6, 5:30 doors open

Click [here](#) for details!



Information Sessions - Proposed Fire Station Come & Go

When: November 7th & November 9th

Where: November 7th - 6 - 8:30 pm, Sutherland School Library,

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



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

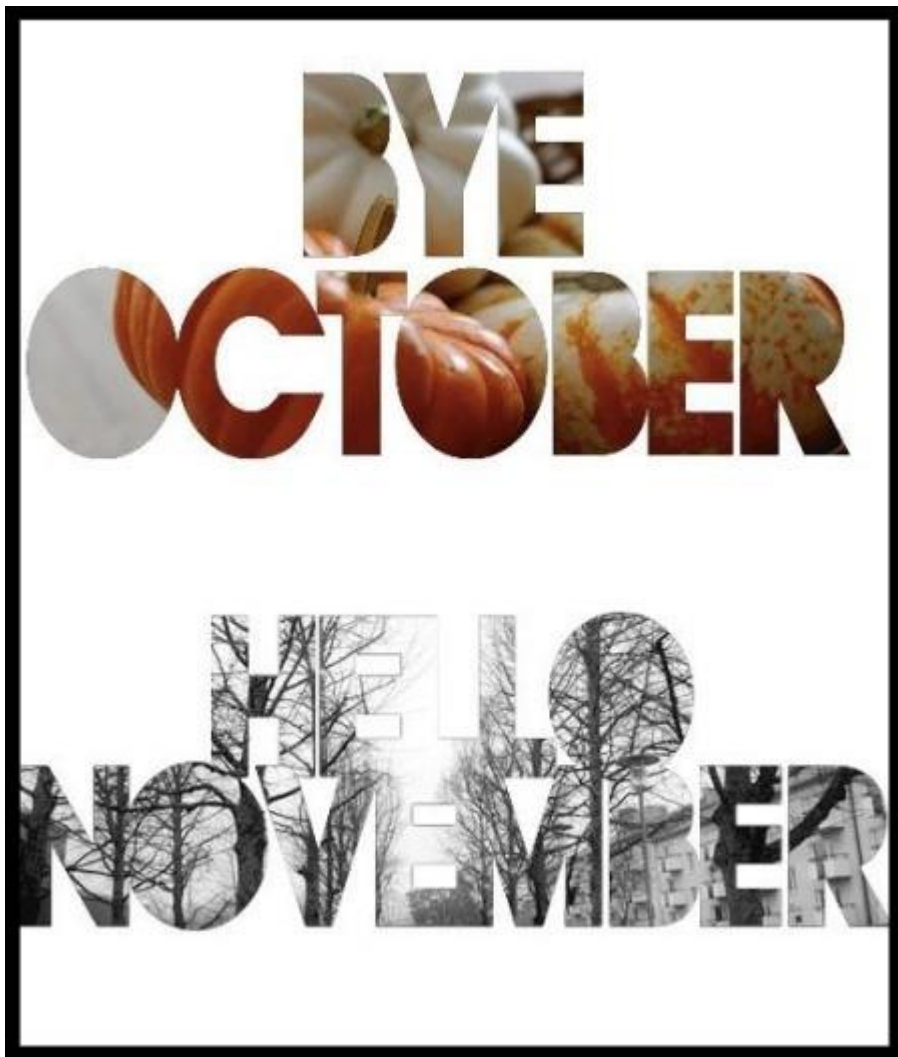
**THURS. NOV. 9 • 6 - 8:30 P.M.
Saskatoon Field House**

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



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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