

Provincial Point of View October 3, 2017 Sending warm wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving

MAY YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING WEEKEND



We have so much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving weekend. 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!

Thanksgiving Day in Canada has been a holiday on the second Monday of October since 1957. It is an opportunity for people to give thanks for a good harvest and other fortunes in the past year. Enjoy this special weekend and take time to celebrate this holiday of peace while reflecting on how fortunate we are to live in Saskatchewan.

Whether you're attending the one of the many activities or fall suppers across the province, or just

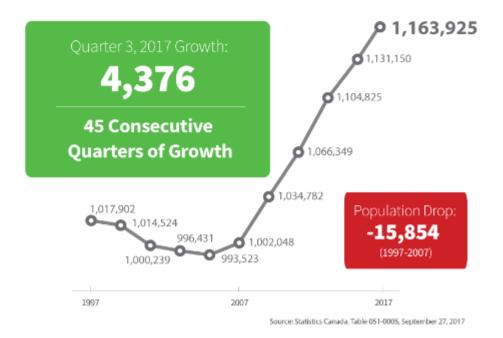
spending time with family and friends, take time to cherish the many things in your life to be thankful for. There is nothing more spectacular than a beautiful fall day in Saskatchewan.

With a grateful heart, Trish, Carter, Paige and I send you our warmest wishes for a plentiful Thanksgiving!

A DECADE OF GROWTH IN SASKATCHEWAN

A Decade of **Population Growth** in Saskatchewan

Fastest growth in 80 years



More people are calling Saskatchewan home today as the province's population grew by 4,376 during the second of quarter of 2017.

Over the year, from July 1 2016 to July 1 2017, Saskatchewan's population rose by 15,337, which represented the fifth highest growth rate among the provinces.

Saskatchewan's population has increased from 1,002,048 to 1,163,925 during the last decade – the equivalent of adding more than four cities the size of Prince Albert. Since 2007, the population has grown faster than it has in more than 80 years.

"Saskatchewan continues to attract people looking for opportunity and a welcoming environment to build a career and raise a family," Economy Minister Steven Bonk said. "We have weathered the worst of the resource downturn and there is much cause for optimism today. These numbers reflect that sentiment."

Saskatchewan's population has grown for 45 consecutive quarters. From July 1, 1997 to July 1 2007, the population declined by more than 15,000 people.

CELEBRATING SASKATCHEWAN'S ROOTS



"The roots of all goodness lie in the soil of appreciation for goodness."
-- Dalai Lama

OUR FOOD HAS A STORY: CELEBRATING AGRICULTURE MONTH IN SASKATCHEWAN



The government has proclaimed October as Agriculture Month in Saskatchewan. This year's theme is once again "Our Food Has a Story," to continue telling the stories of how food is produced and ends up on our plates.

"Saskatchewan farmers and ranchers have a passion to sustainably produce healthy and affordable food, something that is at the heart of our industry in Saskatchewan," Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart said. "This month provides an opportunity for producers to connect with consumers about what we do, and why we do it. For example, there's a great story behind the high-quality feed ranchers choose – it leads to healthy livestock and nutritious food for families."

Continue reading here.

SASKATCHEWAN 911 SERVICE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO NEW CROWN CORPORATION



Crown Will Oversee 911 and Emergency Dispatching Services for the Province

September 28th, Government Relations Minister Larry Doke announced the creation of the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA), a new Treasury Board Crown which will be responsible for managing Saskatchewan's 911 emergency dispatching services.

"This new Crown will help meet the needs of our rapidly-growing province and current technology demands to ensure we can continue providing excellent emergency communications services for all Saskatchewan residents," Doke said. "Under this new structure, governance will be streamlined and the province will be in a better position to meet future needs and expand emergency services accordingly."

Since 2006, the province has co-managed provincial emergency communications services through a partnership with the City of Prince Albert. The establishment of this new Crown provides an opportunity to transform the way in which government delivers critical 911 emergency services in the province. Once established, the SPSA's first priority will be to work with the City of Prince Albert and other stakeholders to ensure a seamless transition of 911 services.

The new Crown will report to the Minister of Government Relations. Continue to read more here.

SUPPORT FOR VALUE-ADDED SECTOR IN SASKATCHEWAN



September 29, the federal and provincial governments highlighted investments in value-added agricultural processing through the Saskatchewan Lean Improvements in Manufacturing (SLIM) program.

Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale, on behalf of Federal Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Lawrence MacAulay, and Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Gene Makowsky, on behalf of Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart, today announced \$330,000 in SLIM funding for Rebellion Brewing. The project will expand the brewing capacity of Rebellion Brewing and add exterior grain storage, as well as a canning system.

"World class and innovative producers, in partnership with processors and manufacturers, convert our agricultural output into food, ingredients and products that service global markets," AGT Food and Ingredients President and CEO Murad Al-Katib said. "Investments in infrastructure, value-added advanced manufacturing and innovative new technologies, aided through programs like SLIM, are assisting Saskatchewan agriculture in building sustainable competitive advantages. These investments position Saskatchewan and Canada to capture opportunities with the world's growing populations and rising incomes in emerging markets."

"We are a proud Saskatchewan company," Rebellion Brewing President Mark Heise said. "We live here, we spend dollars here and our profits stay here. In less than three years, our small brewery has created 20 new jobs with more on the way. The value-added agriculture sector has tremendous growth potential and is key to creating a diversified and resilient Saskatchewan economy."

Read the entire news release here.

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 19 TO 25, 2017



Wet and cool weather delayed harvest for most producers this past week, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's Weekly Crop Report. Seventy-eight per cent of the crop is now in the bin, slightly up from 75 per cent last week. Harvest progress remains ahead of the five year (2012-2016) average of 74 per cent for this time of year. Fifteen per cent of the crop is swathed or ready to straight-cut. Many producers expect to be back in the field when warmer weather returns and crops can dry sufficiently.

Harvest is most advanced in the southwestern region, where 92 per cent of the crop is now combined. The southeastern region has 88 per cent combined, the west-central region 81 per cent and the east-central region 77 per cent. The northeastern region has 53 per cent combined, while the northwestern region has 48 per cent combined. Continue to read the crop report here.

LEGACY SEATS AT GORDIE HOWE BOWL!



Sunday, October 1 marked a special day at the Hilltops game. I was pleased to be in attendance as MLA, Eric Olauson brought greetings on behalf of Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan.

It was not only a great game between the Saskatoon Hilltops and the Edmonton Wildcats, but it was a day to celebrate the legacy of football in our province and the widespread, positive impact of the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

Football is such an important sport in our province. It is played by people of all ages and levels of play. From little tykes playing minor league football to teams like the Saskatoon Hilltops representing us in the Canadian Junior Football League to our beloved Saskatchewan Roughriders.

It was great to have Craig Reynolds, President and CEO of the Saskatchewan Roughriders in attendance. The Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club had incredible leadership and foresight in spearheading the Grey Cup Legacy Project in 2012. This was an innovative idea to invest in several upgrades to old Mosaic Stadium with the knowledge that those improvements would make their way to benefit communities across Saskatchewan. The Government of Saskatchewan is very proud to have supported the Grey Cup Legacy Project.

Eric recognized and thank the Friends of the Bowl for the work they do to foster sport in Saskatoon. They have contributed to the success of the Grey Cup Legacy Project and have made improvements to the Saskatoon Minor Football Field which will benefit many generations to come.

PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2017 QUINN STEVENSON MEMORIAL HOCKEY DAY!



The annual 2017 QSMHD (Quinn Stevenson Memorial Hockey Day), will be held this year on its usual weekend which this year will be Saturday, October 13h 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. Invite the grandparents to see the exciting Redwing Hockey action! Ball hockey games and hockey skills areas for kids from initiation to atom aged kids will be held as well. Outdoor events are subject to weather conditions. Click here for additional details.

The Stevenson family has generously agreed that <u>all net proceeds raised</u> at this year's event will go toward the Home Ice Campaign in the name of the Saskatoon Zone G Redwings. This year's event will include the following fundraising activities:

- A BAKE SALE will run from 9:30 AM till 1 PM. Baking can be brought to the sale from 9:30 AM till closing (1 PM). Contact Sandra Bernauer for more information ksbernauer@sasktel.net or 306-291-7650.
- There will also be a progressive 50/50 running all day as well as a Silent Auction.

About the Home Ice Campaign:

The HOME ICE Campaign will fund a two-story, twin-pad ice facility in Saskatoon, with increased spectator seating, sufficient dressing rooms for both Huskie hockey and community groups, as well as dedicated space for coaches, trainers, referees, and equipment storage.

Pass the Puck – Fill the Truck items: We will not be running this event again this year, but anyone who has items they wish to donate can contact Troy Carbno at carbno@gmail.com for drop-off instructions.

Volunteers are needed for the event so if you want to volunteer, contact Bonny at: bonnystevenson@sasktel.net or Troy at carbno@gmail.com

BE SURE TO GET YOUR TICKETS TO OCTOBERFEST!



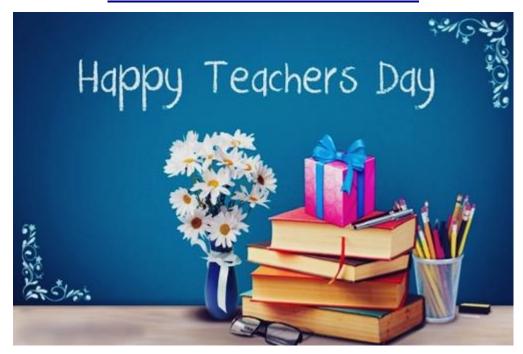
Time is running out! Don't wait to get your tickets to Oktoberfest featuring Kelly Taylor. You don't want to miss seeing him in action. The evening will include mouth-watering authentic Oktoberfest cuisine, beer sampling with local craft breweries, auction items and fabulous entertainment. The residents of Stensrud and Porteous Lodge will reap the benefits of funds raised through this highly entertaining evening exploding with laughter, schnitzels and music. Get your tickets at https://www.canadahelps.org/.../oktoberfest-dinner-and-comed.../ or call 306-955-0234 extension 104.

Jubilee Residences provides safe, quality low-cost housing and nursing care to Saskatoon seniors. The mission of Jubilee Residences Foundation is to meet the needs of residents in care so they may live with dignity, companionship and the assurance of excellent care and service. Your support of this event will help provide 200 seniors living in long-term care with a warm and welcoming, sun-filled gathering place. Construction of all-season sunrooms at Jubilee Residences two care homes - Stensrud and Porteous Lodge - will add dramatically to residents' quality of life.

Doors open at 6PM

German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartwright Street East Click here.

TAKE TIME TO THANK A TEACHER!



No matter how old we are, the lessons taught by our teachers will always be remembered. When I look back at my school years, I am thankful for the educational foundation my teachers provided. Friday, October 6th, World Teacher Day will be celebrated and acknowledged across the country. Right here at home, we have the opportunity to thank and recognize the tremendous value teachers bring to classrooms each and every day.

This Teachers day, tell your former teachers and your children's teachers how much you appreciate them. I am proud and very honoured to join in the celebration of Teachers' Day. Thank you to teachers across our province for the important role you play in educating future generations. We support our educators not only on Teachers' Day, but throughout the year.

FINAL SHOW AND SHINE OF THE SEASON IN WARMAN THIS SATURDAY



Check out one of the vehicles that will be in the car show this weekend. This 1970

Mopar Plymouth Road Runner is owned by Al Kirchgessner.

You still have an opportunity this year to take in a great car show. The last local car show of the season and Fall Roundup will be held Saturday, Oct 7 at the Legend Center, Centennial Street, Warman, SK. Be sure to stop by between 10 am and 3pm to enjoy the vintage car show sponsored by the Warman Coachmen Car Club.

This is a "come and go " fun event giving all the car buffs one last chance to show off their rides before winter. Everyone is welcome to attend!



Saskatchewan Library Week is October 15 - 21 - Libraries Matter. For more information on Saskatchewan Library Week please see www.slta.ca or https://saskla.ca/programs/slw.

OCTOBER PROCLAIMED DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH BY THE PROVINCE

October has been proclaimed Disability Employment Awareness Month (DEAM) by the Government of Saskatchewan.

Diverse workplaces enhance the labour force and create social and economic inclusion for people experiencing disabilities. Proclaiming the month provides the opportunity to share the benefits that an inclusive labour market has on Saskatchewan businesses and communities. DEAM also provides awareness for the strategies, services and resources available to employers, educators and job seekers.

"All of us want to make sure people can reach their potential to succeed whether it is in training or employment opportunities," Economy Minister Steven Bonk said. "We all benefit when the labour market is more inclusive as it helps reduce barriers to employment while at the same time, helps grow Saskatchewan's economy."

Read the news release here.

HPV VACCINE AVAILABLE FOR GRADE 6 STUDENTS



October 1-7 is the world's First Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Prevention Week. The HPV vaccine is free for Grade 6 students in Saskatchewan. It helps protect against cancers caused by HPV.

GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN OFFERS A "WANDER-FUL"
OPPORTUNITY IN 2018



With more than 70,000 social media fans across Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, the Saskatchewanderer is a 'must follow' for many Saskatchewan residents and tourists. As the program continues into 2018, Wanderer hopefuls can submit applications starting on Monday, October 2 at noon.

Andrew Hiltz - whose first name literally spells 'wander' - brought his own flavour to the program as the 2017 Saskatchewanderer. "I've lost count of how many incredible people I've met and the sights around this province have continued to blow me away," Hiltz said. "I cannot express how grateful I am for the opportunity to have been a part of this program and wish I could rewind the clock to do it all over again. Great year. Great people. Great job!"

Read the entire news release <u>here</u> and find out how to apply to be the next Saskatchewanderer!

GOVERNMENT PROCLAIMS OCTOBER AS COMMUNITY LIVING MONTH

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

Community Living Month celebrates the important work that staff and volunteers of the Saskatchewan Association for Community Living (SACL) do in supporting individuals experiencing intellectual disabilities. SACL's mission is to ensure that people experiencing intellectual disabilities are valued, supported and included, and have opportunities and choices in all aspects of life.

"This month we have the opportunity to highlight SACL and the work they do to make Saskatchewan a more inclusive province," Social Services Minister Paul Merriman said. "Working together, SACL and other community-based organizations are helping us to make the vision a reality in Saskatchewan's Disability Strategy."

"The SACL is pleased to celebrate Community Living Month with a variety of activities and events that are designed to raise awareness about the value of inclusion in communities throughout Saskatchewan," SACL President Gloria Mahussier said. "We would like to thank the Government of Saskatchewan for declaring October as Community Living Month."

Click here to read more.





Social Services Minister Paul Merriman helped officially open a new replacement group home in Saskatoon. The home is operated by the Canadian Deafblind Association (CDBA) and will support three individuals experiencing disabilities. This home replaces a prior one to better serve the needs of those living there.

"Today is an exciting day for three people of our province as their new home officially opens,"

Merriman said. "I am proud of our government's partnership with CDBA and our ongoing

commitments to this organization. Community-based organizations play a valuable role in supporting
individuals with intellectual disabilities to be included in their communities."

Click here to read the entire news release.

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.



Western Development Museum Christmas Craft Fair

When: October 13, 4 pm - 1- pm

Where: Dutch Growers

Click here for information



Octoberfest Dinner & Comedy Night

When: October 20

Where: German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartwright St. E

For tickets call 306.955.0234



ABEX Awards

When: October 21, 5 pm - 10 pm

Where: TCU Place

Click here for ticket info and additional information



Knights of Columbus 4th Annual 2017 Celebrity Dinner - Presented by

Les & Irene Dubé

When: October 27, 5:30 pm - 10:30 pm

Where: Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Road

Click here for information



Lows in Motion - Canada's Most Attended Parkinson's Fundraiser

When: October 28, 6:45 pm

Where: Prairieland Park

Click here for details



Choc 'la Cure

When: November 3, 6 pm

Where: Dutch Growers

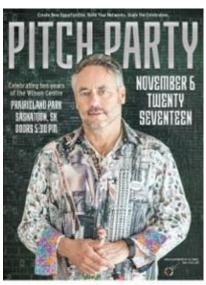
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Pitch Party - Save the Date

When: November 6, 5:30 doors open

Click <u>here</u> for details!





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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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