

Provincial Point of View

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SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT TO FULLY FUND TEACHERS' NEW CONTRACT FOLLOWING ARBITRATION: PREMIER MOE



I was pleased to attend the Saskatoon Teachers Association meeting August 29th where Premier Scott Moe announced that the province will cover the full cost of whatever an arbitrator decides Saskatchewan's 13,500 teachers should be paid.

Premier Scott Moe, "Our relationship with teachers is one that we value, and that we will work to continue improving. This morning I announced our government is committed to fully-funding this new contract once the arbitration process is complete so that valuable resources are not diverted from our classrooms"

Read the article in the Star Phoenix here.

WILLOWGROVE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FAMILY DAY FUN SEPTEMBER 9TH!

Family Fun Day



I look forward to attending the Willowgrove University Heights Annual General Meeting tonight, September 5th.

Willowgrove University Heights Community Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the Willowgrove University Heights neighbourhood. The association works to provide activities to promote quality of life and a sense of community for all residents.

Members can serve on the executive, organize sports and leisure programs, participate in neighbourhood social events, or represent the community in civic matters. The association has partnered with surrounding community associations to offer recreation programs to Willowgrove and University Heights residents. Future programs will take place at the Integrated Community/School Centre, local schools, neighbourhood parks and the village square. Meet your neighbours and build your community by volunteering with Willowgrove/University Heights Community Association. New members are always welcome!

Have you ever wanted to decide what happens in your community? Here's your chance! Mark your calendars for the Family Day and meet people from your community. Many of the WUHCA board positions are becoming available starting in the fall. Check the position descriptions out at http://wuhca.ca/executive-board/about-wuhca/ and see which one might fit you best!

If you've been waiting for a time to get involved and make some new friends, this is it! see www.wuhca.ca for more details.

ERINDALE ARBOR CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE ON LINE



Congratulations to the Erindale Arbor CreeK Community Association on their fall newsletter. They have information on the Youth Indoor Soccer and Youth Basketball available on their website.

I look forward to attending the Annual General Meeting tonight, September 5th at Dr. John G. Egnatoff School.

For excellent information click on this link: http://www.erindalearborcreek.org/

NEW INDUSTRY STANDARDS NEXT STEP IN PRAIRIE RESILIENCE CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY



The Government of Saskatchewan continues to implement key commitments made in the province's climate change plan to help reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and maintain a competitive economy.

As part of the made-in-Saskatchewan Prairie Resilience strategy, government has developed new output-based performance standards that will apply to more than 40 Saskatchewan industrial facilities. These facilities generate 11 per cent (or approximately 8.5 million tonnes) of total provincial emissions and are expected to reduce that portion by a total of 10 per cent by 2030. These measures are in addition to previously announced reductions in electricity generation (40 per cent) and methane from upstream oil and gas (40 per cent).

"Reductions in these three key areas will reduce emissions by 12 megatonnes of greenhouse gases each year by 2030," Environment Minister Dustin Duncan said. "Our bold and innovative system-wide strategy is designed to responsibly and tangibly reduce emissions without the imposition of an economy-wide carbon tax."

Read the entire news release here.

BOOK LAUNCH AT COSMO INDUSTRIES - NED POWERS NEW BOOK ON THE HISTORY AND HEART OF COSMO



August 29th, MLA David Buckingham had the pleasure of attending the book signing of "Cosmo's Miracle on 34th Street" by author Ned Powers.

The visit was extra special for David as he had the pleasure of meeting up with his daughter Deanna Buckingham who has benefitted from the wonderful people at Cosmo who make Saskatchewan a better place to live for her and everyone else at Cosmo. Deanna is very proud of her work at Cosmo. The see the good work Deanna does, click heres/beauty-sep-10/4.

Cosmo is such a special place. If you have the opportunity, stop by and see the incredible work done at Cosmo. The staff is so passionate and we are very fortunate to have a facility like this in our city.

NOMINATE A SASKATCHEWAN SERVICE CLUB FOR PREMIER'S SERVICE CLUB AWARD



The Government of Saskatchewan is accepting nominations for the 2018 Premier's Service Club Award until September 30, 2018.

Since its establishment in 2013, the Premier's Service Club Award has recognized the dedication and charity of the province's service clubs.

"Service Clubs across Saskatchewan have an invaluable impact in their communities. Their fundraising efforts help shape our province and their continued dedication to Saskatchewan will shape our future," Premier Scott Moe said. "I encourage everyone to nominate a service club for this recognition."

In order to be eligible for the Premier's Service Club Award, nominated groups must be voluntary, non-profit service clubs or fraternal organizations where people meet regularly to fundraise for other organizations. Their mandate must better the lives of the people of Saskatchewan. This award does not recognize individuals, and service clubs cannot self-nominate.

Groups selected to receive the Premier's Service Club Award will be presented their awards at an event in their home communities in 2019.

To nominate a group for the Premier's Service Club Award, or for more information, visit www.saskatchewan.ca/honoursawards.

SAFETY TOP OF MIND AS NEARLY 190,000 SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL



As students get ready to head back to school after the long weekend, drivers should be prepared to once again share the road with school buses and students. The Ministry of Education, school divisions, teachers and support staff across the province have been busily preparing for students' return to the classroom for the 2018-19 school year.

"As a parent and grandparent - I know back to school is a busy and exciting time for children, parents and teachers," Deputy Premier and Education Minister Gordon Wyant said. "Thank you to the more than 21,000 teachers and staff who work so hard to make returning to the classroom a safe and enjoyable experience for students."

The return to school also means increased traffic, busy sidewalks, and active playgrounds. The

Government of Saskatchewan reminds all drivers to slow down and take extra caution around school zones to help keep our children safe as they travel to and from school.

This fall, Saskatchewan schools will welcome nearly 190,000 Prekindergarten to Grade 12 students at more than 770 schools across our 27 public, separate and francophone school divisions, including associate schools.

In Saskatchewan, legislation establishing the start of the school year after Labour Day has been in place since 2012. An exception is granted in years when the statutory holiday falls on or after September 5 to allow for an earlier start to the school year.

IMPAIRED DRIVING LAWS ARE CHANGING: STRONGER PENALTIES TAKE EFFECT SEPTEMBER 1, 2018



Consequences for impaired driving are getting even tougher in Saskatchewan as of Sept. 1, including stronger penalties for drug-impaired drivers and for impaired drivers who transport children.

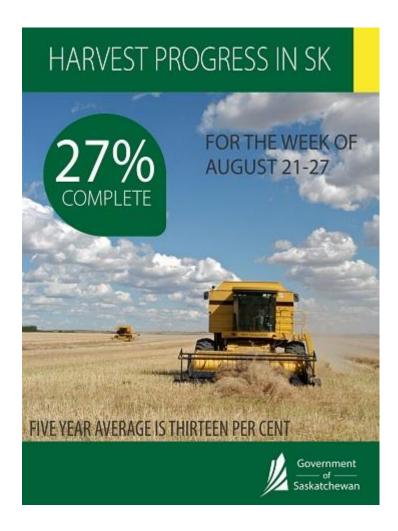
The Traffic Safety (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 2017 and The Miscellaneous Vehicle and Driving Statutes (Cannabis Legislation) Amendment Act, 2017 were both passed in the Spring sitting of the Legislature and come into effect Sept. 1.

"It's never OK to drive impaired, whether it's by drugs or alcohol," Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI) Joe Hargrave said. "This new legislation reflects the seriousness of this offence, with more severe punishments for drug-impaired drivers, and those who make the bad decision to drive with children in the vehicle."

As of Sept. 1, zero tolerance for drug impairment will apply to all drivers. Zero tolerance means that drivers should not get behind the wheel with any level of impairing drugs in their system detectable by a federally-approved screening device, or a standardized field sobriety test. The province has also updated legislation and regulations so that tough administrative penalties that impaired drivers in Saskatchewan faced under existing legislation will also apply to anyone charged under three new federal drug-impaired driving laws (http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/cj-jp/sidl-rlcfa/index.html).

Click <u>here</u> to read more about the penalties now in effect.

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 21 TO 27, 2018



Producers took advantage of the warm and dry weather to make considerable harvest progress before light showers later in the week put field work on hold, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report.

Twenty-seven per cent of the crop is now in the bin, well ahead of the five-year (2013-2017) average of 13 per cent for this time of year. Seventeen per cent of the crop is now swathed or ready to straight-cut. Yields vary across the province, depending on the amount of moisture received over the growing season.

Harvest is most advanced in the southwestern region, where 46 per cent of the crop is now combined. The southeastern region has 42 per cent combined, the west-central region 23 per cent and the east-central region 16 per cent. Ten per cent of the crop is in the bin in the northeast and five per cent in the northwest.

Read the entire news release here.

SASKATOON SCHOOL ZONES BACK IN EFFECT



The City is reminding drivers that school zones are back in effect beginning next week. School zones are marked around all public and private schools (elementary and secondary), Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., from September to June. Drivers are required to reduce their speeds to a maximum of 30 kilometres per hour (km/h).

"There is a very direct relationship between vehicle speed and severity of injury," says David LeBoutillier, Acting Engineering Manager with the City's Transportation Division. "The 30 kilometre per hour limit we've set is not arbitrary and it's definitely not excessive. We have a lot of data that shows us speed is the determinant factor when it comes to a vehicle-child collision."

According to the World Health Organization's speed management manual, the following are a child's chances of surviving a collision when a driver is travelling at:

- 60 km/h: there is a 0% chance of a child surviving the collision.
- 50 km/h: there is a 20% chance of a child surviving the collision.
- 40 km/h: there is a 60% chance of a child surviving the collision.
- 30 km/h: there is a 90% chance of a child surviving the collision.

School zone compliance is enforced by the Saskatoon Police Service. Members of the SPS rotate through school zones around the city on a daily basis as well as respond to reports of noncompliance.

"Every September, at the start of the school year, we ask motorists to re-adjust their driving habits around schools," says Staff Sergeant Patrick Barbar of the SPS Traffic Unit. "This means being very deliberate about looking for and obeying school zone signage."

The SPS will be focusing extra attention on school zones beginning next week. Tickets for speeding in a school zone are double the base amount plus double the amount per kilometer over the limit. School zone fines are generally in the range of \$400-500 and they can go as high as \$1,000. A driver travelling through a school zone at 60 km/h or more will also have their vehicle impounded.

The City also wants to remind Saskatoon drivers that u-turns are restricted in school zones. If a driver is performing a u-turn, children who are walking, running and playing in the area may not anticipate the change in direction. Similarly, the blind spots change for drivers performing the u-turn and they may not be able to see what is happening behind their vehicle.

This fall, there is only one new school zone in effect: St. Frances Cree Bilingual School on Bateman Crescent in Greystone Heights. More information about school zones in Saskatoon is available at saskatoon.ca/SchoolZones.

SASKATOON STAR PHOENIX: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AS SCHOOL ZONES COME BACK INTO EFFECT



Photo credit: Liam Richards/ Saskatoon StarPhoenix

StarPhoenix article August 31, 2018,

Police are warning motorists to be wary of the 30 kilometre per hour limit in school zones or be prepared to pay a hefty fine. With kids heading back to school after the Labour Day long weekend, school zones are once again coming back into effect and police are warning motorists to be wary of the 30 kilometre-per-hour limit or be prepared to pay a hefty fine.

StarPhoenix reporter Erin Petrow spoke with police and the City of Saskatoon about five things you need to know.

Why 30 kilometres per hour?

A: If a child is struck by a vehicle at 30 km/h they have a 90 per cent chance of surviving the collision, said David LeBoutillier, acting engineering manager with the city's transportation division, citing numbers from the World Health Organization. If hit at 50 km/h, a child's chance of survival decreases to 20 per cent, he noted.

New school zone

Motorists should be aware of the addition of a new school zone in the Greystone Heights neighbourhood on Bateman Crescent where St. Frances Cree Bilingual School is located.

U-turns not allowed

Illegal U-turns in school zones are still a big problem, city police Staff Sgt. Patrick Barbar said. Pulling a U-turn in a school zone is not only against bylaws, it also puts children at risk as drivers may be unable to see what is happening behind them.

"What we've found anecdotally is the worst offenders for this are actually parents dropping off children," he said, suggesting parents should drive to the end of the school zone and make a Uturn at the next intersection instead.

Hefty fines

The financial implication of speeding through a school zone will definitely put a dent in your wallet, Barbar said. Getting caught driving 10 km/h over the limit results in a fine of \$270; at 30 km/h over the limit, that fine jumps to \$350. Fines can go as high as \$1,000.

Speeding fines in school zones are calculated at double the base amount of a regular speeding ticket, plus double the amount per kilometre over the limit.

No excuses

Barbar says while officers are on patrol in school zones, they regularly check to make sure leaves, branches and other obstructions are not blocking the signs, so claiming ignorance or using other excuses will not get you out of a ticket.

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<u>CONSUMER ALERT - EM ROAD SEAL PAVING</u>



The Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority of Saskatchewan (FCAA) recently received information that EM ROAD SEAL PAVING may be approaching Saskatchewan residents regarding driveway repairs and paving.

In Saskatchewan, door-to-door salespersons and companies are required to be licensed under *The Direct Sellers Act.* EM ROAD SEAL PAVING does not have a direct sellers licence.

- FCAA recommends that consumers take steps to protect themselves when entering into transactions with door-to-door salespersons, including the following:
 - Check the validity of a direct seller licence number on FCAA411 (http://fcaa.gov.sk.ca/fcaa411).
 - Get everything in writing and create a formal contract with clear expectations of the work to be done and the time frame that the work has to be completed in.
 - O Do not hand over a blank cheque.

If you have been contacted by EM ROAD SEAL PAVING or any unlicensed door-to-door salespersons offering to make driveway repairs, please contact the Consumer Protection Division at consumerprotection@gov.sk.ca or toll free at 1-877-880-5550.

For more tips about driveway repairs visit http://fcaa.gov.sk.ca/consumers-investors-pension-plan-members/consumers-of-goods-and-services/tips-for-driveway-repairs.

FALL CAMPING OFFERED IN SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS

Camping season is not over in Saskatchewan with fall camping being offered in over 20 provincial parks.

"September may be here but there's still plenty of time to get out and enjoy our parks," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Gene Makowsky said. "Fall in Saskatchewan's parks is truly a special time. Families can take in the warm sunny days and crisp nights around the campfire, all while being surrounded by the natural beauty of the changing season."



Campsites can be reserved in advance at Bronson Forest, Buffalo Pound, Cypress Hills, Duck Mountain, Great Blue Heron, Makwa Lake, Moose Mountain, Rowan's Ravine and The Battlefords Provincial Parks. Many of these parks offer access to full amenities throughout September.

The sites can be booked through the online reservation system at www.saskparks.goingtocamp.com or by calling 1-855-737-7275. By reserving in advance, visitors are guaranteed their chosen campsite will be available upon arrival.

Click here to read the entire news release and see which campsites remain open!

SMOKE ALARM CHECK: WORKING ALARMS PROTECT YOUR FAMILY



Saskatchewan residents are encouraged to "look up" and check their smoke alarms.

"Working smoke alarms save lives," Government Relations Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Since home is the place where fires happen most often, it is vital that smoke alarms are installed in every residence and they are checked every month. They are your first and best protection for you and your family."

Working smoke alarms should be installed on each level of your home and outside each sleeping area. Follow the manufacturer's instructions on where to place the alarm to ensure best performance and to minimize false alarms. When conducting your check, go to each of the smoke alarms in your home to:

- Determine the age of each alarm: if a smoke alarm is older than 10 years, the alarm needs to be replaced.
- Replace batteries: smoke alarm batteries should be replaced annually and always when the alarm 'chirps'.
- Test your alarms monthly: post a smoke alarm test checklist in your home to remind you to test each one monthly.

Test each smoke and carbon monoxide alarm in your house following the manufacturer's instructions. If the alarm doesn't work when tested, replace it immediately. You should also practice your home fire escape plan with all members of your family during your check. Refer to your plan as you walk through the escape routes for each room. Practicing allows you to ensure all exits are practical and easy to use.

For more information about preparing a home escape plan or about installing and testing smoke alarms, contact your local fire department.

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.



ERINDALE ALLIANCE CHURCH COMMUNITY FUN FAIR

When: September 9, noon - 3 pm

Where: Erindale Alliance Church, 310 Perehudoff Crescent

Free admission - great family fun





PARKINSON SUPERWALK SASKATOON

When: September 9

Where: Meewasin Park North, Spadina Crescent Registration 11:30, walk begins at 1 pm

Click here for information





Sunday, September 9

Meewasin Park North Registration @ 11am

Raise Money | Raise Awareness Get Exercise | Have Fun!

www.superwalk.ca

OVARIAN CANCER WALK OF HOPE

When: September 9, 9 am

Where: Windy Acres (John Arcand Fiddle Fest Grounds)

Click here for details



CAR SHOWS

When:

Sept 8 A & W Show & Shine, Martensville

Sept 8 Saskatoon Camaro Club A & W Cruise Nites, Stonebridge, Saskatoon
Sept 9 Circle Drive Alliance Church Show & Shine and Fall Kick-off, Saskatoon
Sept 15 NuFab Builders Annual Show & Shine, Saskatoon
* All proceeds from NuFab Show & Shine going to Ronald McDonald House
Sept 22 Kindersley 46th Annual Show & Shine, Kindersley
Sept 22 Dusty Wheels 30th Annual Car Show & Shine, Rosetown
Oct 6 Coachman Car Club Fall Roundup, Warman



For more information visit: autoevents.ca OR cruisecalendar.ca or contact:

Al Kirchgessner at alk-gwl@hotmail.ca

1ST ANNUAL FALL BERRY FESTIVAL AND HUGE OUTDOOR MARKET

When: September 9, 10 am - 4 pm

Where: German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartwright Street East
Click here for additional information



2ND ANNUAL SEABUCKTHORN DAYS

When: September 15 - 8 am - 2 pm, September 16 - 10 am - 3 pm

Where: Saskatoon Farmers' Market

Click here for details



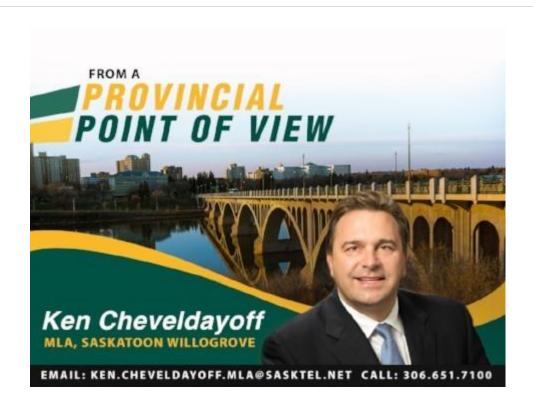
OKTOBERFEST DINNER & COMEDY NIGHT

When: October 19

Where: German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartright St. E

Click here for information





THOUGHT OF THE DAY

VOLUNTER IS NOT MEASURED IN SIZE, BUT BY DEPTH OF THE COMMITMENT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS." -DEANN HOLLIS

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