

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



Provincial Point of View

April 4
Camping Reservations Open Today!

KEEPING SASKATCHEWAN STRONG



I appreciate you taking the time to read Provincial Point of View. There is always so much going on in our community, city and province. I value your input. Please continue to let me know your ideas and suggestions for making this newsletter better.

As you know, difficult decisions had to be made to deal with the fiscal challenges we are facing. I have heard from many of my constituents to express both concerns and support of our recent Budget. Together, we will meet the challenge and ensure our economy remains strong. Our government will continue to work for you and your families.

With the changing of the seasons, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to participate in many activities in our community. I sincerely thank all of the community groups for their tireless efforts, ensuring our growing population enjoys a good quality of life.

PREMIER IS IN WASHINGTON PROMOTING BENEFITS OF CANADA-U.S. TRADE AND NAFTA



Premier Wall is in Washington meeting with senior members of President Trump's cabinet and congress to make the case that free trade between Canada and the United States ...means more jobs for both our countries, especially for trade-exposed provinces like ours.

Click [here](#) to see Premier Wall's message from Washington.

Premier Brad Wall is in Washington D.C. this week raising awareness of the importance of Canada-U.S. trade and the benefits of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

“Canada and the United States have built the largest trading relationship in the world, a vibrant partnership that has created millions of jobs on both sides of the border,” Wall said. “NAFTA is the largest free trade area in the world, accounting for 28 per cent of the world’s GDP with less than seven per cent of the world’s population. With a new administration in place in Washington, it is vital that we highlight the value of free trade and the risks associated with protectionism. Saskatchewan is a trade dependent province. We need to do everything we can to ensure our exporters have access to our most important market.”

During the visit, from April 3 to April 6, Wall will meet with Senators, members of the House of

Representatives, and senior administration officials. Tomorrow, Premier Wall will deliver a keynote address at the Heritage Foundation, where he will also participate in a round table discussion on trade, energy and economic policy.

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

FINANCE MINISTER KEVIN DOHERTY, GUEST SPEAKER AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON



The Honourable Kevin Doherty, Minister of Finance was in Saskatoon last week to address a large group of people attending the Chamber of Commerce Luncheon. Minister Doherty outlined the tough choices made as he delivered his post-budget speech. Minister Doherty answered several questions posed by those in attendance.

PHOTO WITH THE PRESIDENT OF EMBASSY CONNECTIONS CANADA



It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to sit down with Mr. Jerry Sherman last week. Mr. Sherman is the President of Embassy Connections Canada.

REMINDER ... CAMPSITE RESERVATIONS UNDERWAY THIS WEEK!

2017 Campsite Reservation Launch Dates

Tuesday, April 4: Blackstrap, Pike Lake

Wednesday, April 5: Buffalo Pound, Danielson, Douglas

Thursday, April 6: Echo Valley, Rowan's Ravine

Friday, April 7: Duck Mountain, Good Spirit Lake,
Greenwater Lake

Saturday, April 8: Crooked Lake, Moose Mountain

Sunday, April 9: Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park

Monday, April 10: The Battlefords, Saskatchewan Landing

Tuesday, April 11: Meadow Lake

Wednesday, April 12: Bronson Forest Recreation Site,
Chitek Lake Recreation Site, Lac La Ronge, Makwa Lake

Thursday, April 13: Candle Lake, Great Blue Heron,
Narrow Hills

As Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, I encourage you to book your campsites! The launch will be staggered, with different parks opening for reservations over a 10 day period.

During the launch period, a queuing system will be implemented, as it has been in the last two years, to help manage the demand and ensure technical stability. This year, Saskatchewan's provincial parks will be celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary. On Canada Day (Saturday, July 1) and Canada's Parks Day (Saturday, July 15), entry to all Saskatchewan provincial parks will be free. In addition to these free entry days, there will special events throughout the provincial park system, including a province-wide geocaching program and a scavenger hunt to "Picture Yourself" in a Saskatchewan provincial park.

Click [here](#) to read the entire news release and see the launch schedule.

[KOMODO ISLAND EXHIBIT OPENED APRIL 1](#)



Komodo dragons, Thorn and Shruikan (Shrew-khan), arrived in Saskatoon on March 5, 2017, and have been settling into the new Komodo Island exhibit at the Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo (SFFP&Z).

“We know kids and adults of all ages will be amazed by the Komodo dragons,” says Tim Sinclair-Smith, Manager, SFFP&Z. “Having these unique animals in Saskatoon provides a great opportunity for us to talk about threatened species around the world, including those in our own backyard.”

Visitors to the SFFP&Z will have their first opportunity to see the Komodo dragons when the exhibit officially opens to the public on Saturday, April 1, 2017.

The Komodo dragons are currently on loan from the Calgary Zoo and will be featured at the SFFP&Z for the 2017 season. The exhibit was made possible through the generous support of the Saskatoon Zoo Foundation.

“The Saskatoon Zoo Foundation is thrilled to embrace the opportunity to be part of the Komodo Island exhibit,” says Dawn Woroniuk, Executive Director, Saskatoon Zoo Foundation. “Working with the Zoo and many local sponsors, we were able to create a world class exhibit in a short amount of time. We hope this exhibit will help bring awareness to the Saskatoon Zoo Foundation as we continue to work tirelessly to build for the future of this facility.”

The Saskatoon Zoo Foundation raises funds for capital improvements within the SFFP&Z.

Do not miss your opportunity to see the Komodo dragons! From September to April, the zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and from May to August, daily hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Additional information regarding the Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo can be found online at Saskatoon.ca/zoo.

APRIL IS PARKINSON AWARENESS MONTH

Parkinson's
changes everything.

There's help and hope at Parkinson Canada

parkinson.ca

1-800-565-3000

As spring soon approaches we like to remind everyone that April is Parkinson's Awareness Month, and April 11 is celebrated globally as World Parkinson's Day. This year marks the 200th anniversary since the description of the Shaking Palsy by Dr. James Parkinson. Looking back at how far we have come with research shows a remarkable journey that is only moving forward.

In Canada, more than 25 people are diagnosed with Parkinson's disease each day. By creating awareness, we are motivating individuals to support the services and education Parkinson Canada offers for those with Parkinson's disease.

Saskatoon, you can buy some fresh cut tulips to support Parkinson Awareness month. Tulips will be for sale on April 7th at Bill's House of Flowers and on April 8th at Lawson Mall (10am to 4pm both

locations).

We'd like to thank you for your continued support, and encouragement on this journey to find a cure. We encourage you to find a way to raise awareness this April. Together we are creating a better life with a brighter future for people living with Parkinson's today, and a world without Parkinson's tomorrow.

Parkinson Canada is the national voice of Canadians living with Parkinson's, a degenerative brain disease. From diagnosis to discovery, Parkinson Canada provides education, support, and advocacy on behalf of more than 100,000 Canadians living with Parkinson's every day and the health professionals who serve them. Each day, 25 Canadians are diagnosed with Parkinson's and by 2031, the Parkinson's population in Canada will double. Parkinson Canada funds innovative research on the progression, diagnosis and treatment of Parkinson's, with a cure the ultimate goal.

Parkinson Canada is an Imagine Canada accredited organization. 1-800-565-3000.

www.parkinson.ca.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR POTASHCORP COUNTRY MUSIC
WEEK**



Saskatoon will be welcoming Canadian country music's biggest stars this fall as we host PotashCorp Country Music Week and the CCMA Awards Show, September 7-10, 2017. This marks the second time Saskatoon has hosted country music's biggest week.

PotashCorp Country Music Week and the CCMA Awards Show, managed by the Canadian Country Music Association, make up a four-day music conference and community celebration, culminating in the nationally-broadcast Awards Show on Sunday, September 10.

This is one of the largest music events in Canada, with activities for fans, musicians and industry attendees, including showcase opportunities for new artists, educational seminars, and an all-day FanFest.

This awesome event is only possible through the dedication of a team of fun-loving, hard-working volunteers. We need your help! We're currently looking for people for a wide variety of roles to help before, during and after the event. You don't have to work on a ranch or ride a horse, but you do need to have a great attitude and a burning desire to welcome visitors from across the country to help put on one of the biggest celebrations of the year.

To volunteer, simply visit www.cma.org , click on the Volunteer image or News item link, and fill out the online application.

TOURING THE NEW MOSAIC STADIUM



Several colleagues and I had the opportunity to view the incredible new Mosaic Stadium. Thank you to Saskatchewan Roughrider President and CEO Craig Reynolds for the tour!

SASKATCHEWAN COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS HELD IN SASKATOON



Photo with recording artist Bobby Wills

As Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, I was thrilled to represent Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan at the Saskatchewan Country Music Awards held Saturday, April .1.

We have incredible talent in our province and I congratulate the Saskatchewan Country Music Association for a fantastic Awards Gala showcasing incredible talent. Congratulations to the winners and all nominees. It was an honour to participate in a fantastic evening.

If you love country music, be sure to look at the opportunity to volunteer at the PotashCorp Country Music Week to be held in Saskatoon in September!

WELL WORTH READING AND COMTEMPLATING

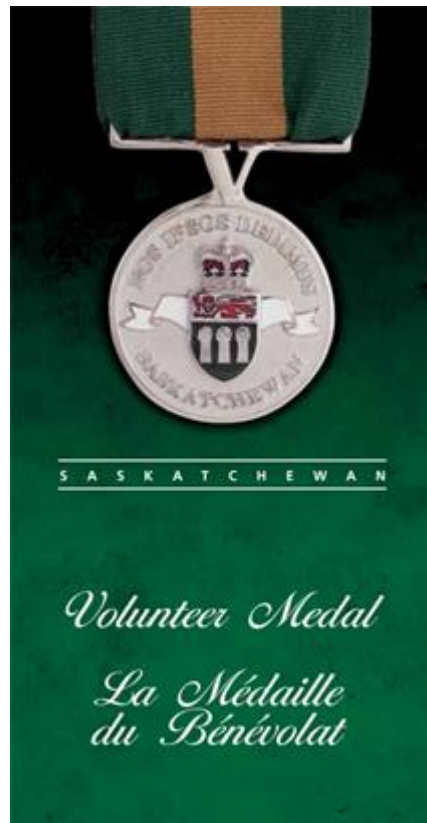


- QUOTES BY JIM ROHN

1. *"Don't wish it was easier, wish you were better. Don't wish for fewer problems, wish for more skills. Don't wish for less challenge, wish for more wisdom."*
2. *"The challenge of leadership is to be strong, but not rude; be kind, but not weak; be bold, but not a bully; be thoughtful, but not lazy; be humble, but not timid; be proud, but not arrogant; have humor."*
3. *"We must all suffer one of two things: the pain of discipline or the pain of regret."*
4. *"Days are expensive. When you spend a day you have one less day to spend. So make sure you spend each one wisely."*
5. *"Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment."*
6. *"If you are not willing to risk the unusual, you will have to settle for the ordinary."*
7. *"Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going."*
8. *"Success is nothing more than a few simple disciplines, practiced every day."*
9. *"Don't join an easy crowd; you won't grow. Go where the expectations and the demands to perform are high."*
10. *"Learn how to be happy with what you have while you pursue all that you want,"*

SASKATOON'S PETER ZAKRESKI AMONG RECIPIENTS OF THE SASKATCHEWAN VOLUNTEER MEDAL

Today Lieutenant Governor Vaughn Solomon Schofield announced ten of the province's most dedicated volunteers who will receive the 2016 Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal during National Volunteer Week, April 23 to 29.



“These recipients of the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal exemplify the very best of Canadian qualities, including generosity, compassion and service,” Solomon Schofield said. “I congratulate each of them on this well-deserved honour, and I thank them for their enormous contributions to the people and communities of Saskatchewan.”

To see the list of recipients, click [here](#).

[APRIL IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH](#)



I WAS PLEASED TO PRESENT A MEMBERS STATEMENT ON THE NEW SCHOOLS THAT ARE NEAR COMPLETION IN EVERGREEN!



I was proud to stand in the legislature to speak about the two new schools nearing completion in our constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove. Please click [here](#) to see my Members Statement.

THE SASKATCHEWAN ADVANTAGE ... LOOK AT THE NEW SCHOOLS BEING CONSTRUCTED ACROSS THE PROVINCE!



In less than 100 days, school divisions take possession of 18 new schools on 9 joint-use sites in Warman, Martensville, Regina, and Saskatoon. That's when school divisions can begin moving in furniture as they prepare to welcome thousands of students in September.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of hundreds of construction workers in all four cities, the largest schools build project in Saskatchewan's history will be completed on-time and on-budget.

For more information about the Joint-Use Schools Project please click here: <https://goo.gl/AnKbwN>

The public can view the designs and webcams for the 18 elementary schools or nine joint-use sites across Saskatchewan. The designs allow you to see what the school sites and floor plans will look like. Click [here](#) to see the progress of the new school in Evergreen.

CANADA-SASKATCHEWAN JOB GRANT PROGRAM MEETING THE CHALLENGE WITH INCREASED PROVINCIAL FUNDING

The Government of Saskatchewan's 2017-18 Budget provides an additional \$1 million in funding from the province to the Canada-Saskatchewan Job Grant, for a total of \$7.393 million.

This employer-driven program provides eligible employers with financial support to train recruits or their existing employees for new or better jobs in their organizations.

Since its introduction in 2014, the Canada-Saskatchewan Job Grant has provided \$10.191 million in funding to meet the workforce needs of employers. Employers provide one-third of the training costs, while the federal and provincial governments contribute the remaining two-thirds.

“The Government of Saskatchewan has identified workforce education and training as a core priority in our economic agenda,” Economy Minister Jeremy Harrison said. “Our increased investments in the Canada-Saskatchewan Job Grant program directly address employer needs. The funding will allow more employers to collaborate with training partners to meet their specific workforce needs.”

Click [here](#) to read more.

SPRING RUNOFF



Warmer temperatures in the spring results in runoff and the potential for flooding. If you encounter water over a road, you can call the Flood Line at 306.787.0113.

ASBESTOS AWARENESS WEEK RAISING AWARENES AND PROMOTING PREVENTION

The DANGERS of ASBESTOS

A fibrous material which was most frequently used in buildings between 1950 to 1990



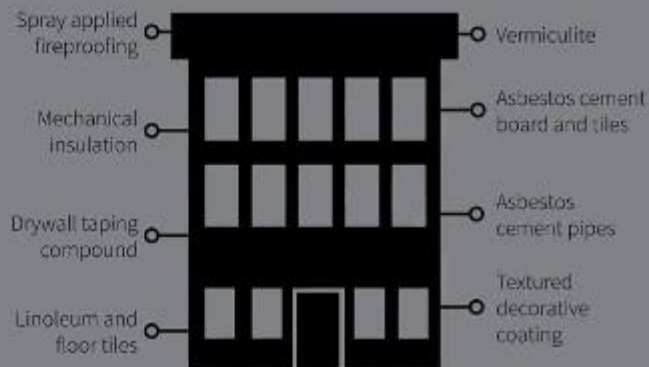
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the generic name for six different naturally-occurring fibrous minerals which, when disturbed, can cause serious and fatal diseases

Although inhaling asbestos fibers won't cause any immediate reactions, exposure can cause:

- Mesothelioma
- Asbestos-related lung cancer
- Asbestosis
- Pleural thickening

Commonly occurred in:



Visit saskatchewan.ca/asbestos to download the Asbestos Abatement Manual, view the Asbestos Registry, or for more information.



April 1-7 is Global Asbestos Awareness Week. The week was established by the Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization to raise awareness and promote measures to prevent deadly diseases related to exposure.

In Saskatchewan, many products which once contained asbestos are either no longer in use or have been replaced. However, workers and individuals may still be exposed to asbestos, for example when renovating older buildings.

It is mandatory to report asbestos in publically owned buildings such as schools, hospitals, or provincial government and crown corporation buildings, through the province's online Asbestos Registry.

"I am proud of the ground-breaking work our Occupational Health and Safety team undertook to ensure that information about the presence of asbestos is accessible and understandable," Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister Don Morgan said. "Saskatchewan is a leader in this regard, and we have been contacted by other jurisdictions who want to learn more about how to establish

similar registries.”

[Click here for additional information.](#)



Saskatoon Prayer Breakfast

When: Saturday, April 29

Where: Prairieland Park

Click [here](#) for details



Holy Family 2nd Annual Bingo

When: Friday, May 5

Where: Holy Family School Gym

Please email hfsfundraising@hotmail.com for more information.



Evergreen Community Association Spring Trade Show

When: Saturday, May 13

Evergreen Community Association is seeking vendors, volunteer and entertainment

For more information contact Helen at hel_125@hotmail.com



The Edwards School of Business Leadership Conference

When: May 18

Where: TCU Place

Click [here](#) for information



Race for Kids

When: Saturday, May 27

Where: Rotary Park, 10 am start

"Support of Boys and Girls Clubs"

Click [here](#) for details



The Teddy Bear Picnic 2017

When: May 27

Where: Deifenbaker Park

Click [here](#) for details



Team Naomi Get Well Now 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Save the Date!

When: June 3

Where: Greenbryre Golf and Country Club

For information contact teamnaomigetwellnow@gmail.com and watch this newsletter for more details



20th Annual Zoogala - Save the Date

When: June 16

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm and Zoo

Click [here](#) for information on sponsorship and tickets



Canadian Country Music Association Awards

When: September 10

Tickets on Sale Now, click [here](#) 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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