

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



## Provincial Point of View

**April 4, 2018**

### APRIL IS PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH



**April is Parkinson's Awareness Month. Show your support by buying bundles of tulips for \$10.00 Friday, April 13th at Bill's House of Flowers on Saturday, April 14th at Market Mall.**

**Proceeds support the work of Parkinson Canada right here in Saskatoon!**

**Check our coming events for the Parkinson's Disease Education Conference coming to Saskatoon April 27th and 28th. The conference will be held at the Saskatoon Inn. Please save the date! There**

will be excellent speakers, inspiration, education and connection. If you require additional information or would like to register, check coming events for the phone number.

### HEAD OF PEDIATRICS, DR. LAURENTIU GIVELICHIAN LOOKING TO BRING THE BEST PHYSICIANS HE CAN TO THE JIM PATTISON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



*Photo Credit Michelle Bert / Saskatoon StarPhoenix*

Premier Scott Moe, "The [Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation](#) project is not just about the building, but also about the full complement of doctors, nurses, specialists, and professionals we need to take great care of our kids. We're excited to see that hiring is on track for opening in fall 2019."

Read the Saskatoon StarPhoenix article by Andrea Hill [here](#).

### SASKATCHEWAN'S "BEST KEPT SECRET" FORESTRY SECTOR TOPS A \$1 BILLION IN SALES



Premier Scott Moe, "Saskatchewan's forestry industry deserves our thanks for all it provides: a renewable resource, jobs for Indigenous and northern people, and a huge unrecognized carbon sink in our province.

Thank you to all who work in this industry to literally grow economic success for Saskatchewan people."

Read the CKRM article [here](#).



TCU Place is excited to celebrate their 50th Anniversary! The building opened on April 1, 1968 as the Centennial Auditorium, and has been providing great entertainment and experiences to the citizens of Saskatoon and surrounding areas for the past 50 years.

They pride themselves in creating lasting memories for those of you who have enjoyed a show, crossed the stage, performed in a dance, or had your graduation at TCU Place.

A few things you may not know about TCU Place...

- Opened April 1, 1968 as "Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium", named in honour of Canada's recently completed centennial celebrations
- Grand Opening was held April 1, 1968. The Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra performed Carmina Burana (by Carl Orff) – David Kaplan Conductor. With Soloists Shirley Sproule (Soprano), David Astor (Tenor) and Donald Brown (Baritone). With Greystone Singers, The University Chorus, The Saskatoon Choral Society and the Saskatoon Boys Choir.
- 1<sup>st</sup> rock act was Britain's Troggs, April 9, 1968
- 1<sup>st</sup> Country show – The Colonel Tim McCoy Show on June 15, 1968.
- 1<sup>st</sup> U of S Convocation – 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation May 14 & 15, 1968

- 1968 was a Canadian election year – PC leader Robert Standfield and NDP leader Tommy Douglas were the first to stage political rallies in the building
- Boxing was one of the prime events in the 1971 Canada Winter Games – all matches were held in the Centennial Auditorium. One more later, the first-ever Saskatoon delivery of closed-circuit heavyweight match, Joe Frazier vs. Muhammad Ali.
- Anne Murray's first appearance was on March 12, 1971 – her show sold out in 90 minutes due to her hit song "Snowbird."
- Underwent \$10 million renovation in 2005/2006 with addition of Convention Centre. Opened End of May 2006.
- As of May 1, 2006 became TCU Place with TCU Financials naming rights
- 2012 - Jim and Lisa Yuel's significant donation allowed for the purchase a new Steinway Grand Piano and refurbishment of 1967 Steinway Grand Piano, and two upright pianos

Over the past 50 years TCU has been home to many amazing acts, concerts, and special guests. Some of our favorites include Tony Bennett, Ray Charles, Johnny Cash, Tina Turner, Bee Gee's, Tom Jones, Celine Dion, Mama Mia, The Jersey Boys, President & Hillary Clinton, President George W. Bush, Lance Armstrong, Tom Cochrane, The Village People, Burton Cummings, Johnny Reid, NSYNC, Florida Georgia Line, Wicked, and Sesame Street Live.

They are celebrating their special day all year long and they want you to celebrate with them! Send them your favorite photo from an event at TCU Place and be entered to **win two tickets in a Corporate Box to Celtic Thunder X** on October 26.

Email your picture to [ctew@tcuplace.com](mailto:ctew@tcuplace.com), or share it on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#). They have 3 pairs of tickets to give away so dig out your photos today!

Click [here](#) to read a great article on CKOM newsfeed.

## **APRIL IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH**



April is Autism Awareness Month. There is a lot happening during the month to raise autism awareness in communities across the province. Click [here](#) to learn about activities taking place in Saskatoon.

**STUDENTS TREATED TO INSIDE LOOK AT OUR DEMOCRACY**





March 29th at the Legislative Building, the Provincial Capital Commission hosted more than 30 Grade 8 students and their teachers from the Horizon School Division for the semi-annual educational program, A Day in the Legislative Assembly.

“This program provides Saskatchewan youth with an excellent opportunity to learn about our democratic system of government, and about those who uphold it,” Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Ken Cheveldayoff said. “It’s important to teach the next generation about our province’s democracy and its history, so that we might inspire them to be part of its future.”

Students from Ituna School and Kelvington High School will get a VIP tour of the Legislative Building, after being introduced in the House and witnessing Question Period. The students will also be invited inside the Chamber to take part in a panel discussion led by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Mark Docherty.

During this unique panel event, students will have the chance to sit in the members’ seats, learn about roles and responsibilities of elected officials and ask questions of Minister Cheveldayoff, MLA for Regina Elphinstone-Centre Warren McCall, and Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Greg Putz.

“Our students are excited to be here and to be part of such a rare, hands-on learning opportunity,” Ituna School teacher Cynthia Yanko said. “Being chosen to tour our provincial seat of government and interact with elected officials is a real honour for our students.”

The students will meet with their local representatives, MLA for Last Mountain-Touchwood Glen Hart, and MLA for Kelvington-Wadena Hugh Nerlien.

“This is a really fun, engaging way for our students to enhance what they learn in Grade 8 Social Studies,” Kelvington High School teacher Rob Lissinna said. “Learning from a textbook is great, but

witnessing Question Period in the Chamber enables our students to live the life of a member of the Legislative Assembly for a day. That's really special."

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- CAP is effective April 1 and replaces the Growing Forward 2 (GF2) framework. The federal government contributes 60% and the province funds 40% of each dollar spent.
- Since 2012, SAIF supports industry-driven projects that demonstrate benefits to Saskatchewan's economic sectors to a maximum of 30% of project costs. To date, it has funded 21 cutting-edge research projects and leveraged an additional \$21M in industry and federal research and development investments.

### **LUMP SUM PAY AT RETIREMENT**





The Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority (FCAA) wants to remind people that not all pension plans are the same and some have a lump sum payment upon retirement, while others provide a monthly pension cheque for life.

“It’s important for people to know if they will receive a lump sum payment or a monthly payment as that can effect retirement budgeting,” FCAA Pension Division Director Leah Fichter said. “It can be stressful figuring out how to make a lump sum last the rest of your life. There are resources available to help you.”

If you receive a lump sum payment, here are some points to consider:

- Talk to a financial planner, a professional who has experience managing people’s retirement money.
- Make a budget, so you can track your income and expenses.
- Talk to your current pension plan administrator, so you can learn about retirement planning resources.

For more information on retirement planning, visit [www.fcaa.gov.sk.ca/lumpsum](http://www.fcaa.gov.sk.ca/lumpsum).

## **TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST HANTAVIRUS**



Health officials are reminding residents about the risk of hantavirus this spring in areas potentially infested by rodents. People are most often exposed when cleaning up enclosed buildings (such as grain bins, sheds, barns, garages, trailers, cottages and homes) or farm equipment and vehicles after winter.

“You can get hantavirus by breathing in contaminated airborne particles from the droppings, urine and saliva of infected deer mice,” Saskatchewan’s Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Denise Werker said. “Hantavirus can cause a rare, but often fatal lung illness known as hantavirus pulmonary syndrome.”

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

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: SASKATCHEWAN'S 2018 COUNCIL OF  
THE FEDERATION LITERACY AWARD**



Released on April 3, 2018 The Ministry of Education is now accepting nominations for the 2018 Canada's Premiers' Council of the Federation Literacy Award (COFLA). COFLA is an annual award that honours residents and organizations for outstanding achievement, innovative practice and excellence in literacy in each of Canada's provinces and territories.

"The work that literacy practitioners, educators and librarians do every day in developing and promoting reading and writing skills within Saskatchewan communities is vital for the economic well-being of our province," Deputy Premier and Education Minister Gordon Wyant said. "This award is a way of recognizing them for their important contributions to the advancement of knowledge in our province."

For more information, click [here](#).

## **SPRING ROAD WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS SUSPENDED ON** **PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS**



Released on April 2, 2018The recent cold weather has allowed the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure to immediately suspend road bans on provincial highways.

“Suspending road bans lets farmers take advantage of the recent cold snap, while also protecting roads from unnecessary damage,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister David Marit said. “With the backlog in the grain handling system, our producers need to be able to haul as much grain as possible when they have the opportunity.”

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

**SEASON DATES AND LIMITS NOW AVAILABLE**



## 2018 Saskatchewan Spring Bear and White Geese Information

Hunters, the spring geese season is now open, and bear season opens on April 15.

More info is now available online: <http://www.publications.gov.sk.ca/deplist.cfm?d=66&c=4492>

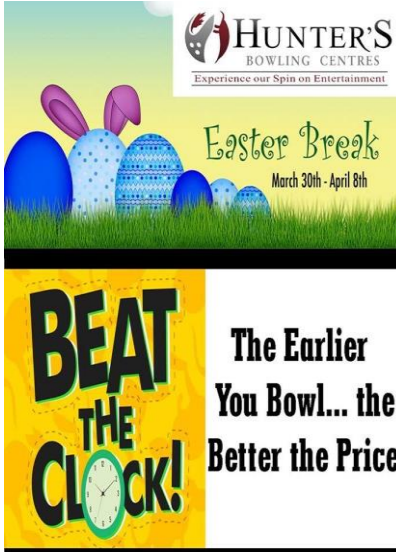


### Easter Break Bowling at Hunters Bowling Centres

When: Easter Break, now - April 8

**Where: Hunter's Bowling Centres**

For additional information and locations, click [here](#)



**Saskatchewan Living Green Expo**

**When: April 13 - 15, 2018**

**Where: Prairieland Park**

Click [here](#) for information



**Saskatoon Prayer Breakfast**



When: Saturday, April 21

Where: Prairieland Park, Hall A

Doors open at 7:30 am

Click [here](#) for information



**Parkinson's Education Conference 2018**

When: April 27th & 28th

Where: Saskatoon Inn

Click [here](#) for additional information or to register call 306-933-4481



**Children's Hospital Jeans & Jewels Gala**

When: April 27th

Where: TCU Place

Click [here](#) for additional information



### Husky Dogs' Breakfast

When: Thursday, May 3rd

Where: Prairieland Park

Click [here](#) for information



### Save the Date for the 5th Annual Quinn Stevenson Memorial Golf Tournament

When: Friday, August 17th @ the Willows

Watch for more details



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RELEASES

#### THOUGHT OF THE DAY



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speeding ticket, don't speed.

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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.

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