

Check out What's happening in Saskatoon Silver Springs and throughout the Province!



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD IN PRINCE ALBERT



Trish and Paige had an incredible day on Tuesday along with Tami Wall and several other colleague's spouses at the Habitat for Humanity Women Build in Prince Albert. This is the first Women Build in Prince Albert. The home, when completed, will provide another Saskatchewan family the opportunity to realize their dream of home ownership.

Women Build is a Habitat for Humanity program that promotes women's leadership and participation in the construction industry, and provides concrete, practical opportunities for women to learn and practice trade skills under the direction of skilled tradespeople.

The women learned quickly how people in construction spend their day working so hard. The Habitat for Humanity Women's Build mobilizes volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting homeownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty.

PROVINCE'S FINANCES REMAIN ON TRACK DESPITE FLOODING COSTS

Finance Minister Ken Krawetz today said the provincial budget surplus remains intact, even with a \$150 million allowance for flood related costs. Krawetz released the First Quarter Financial Report today.

The projected surplus is \$75 million, up \$3.5 million from budget, despite the flood allowance, largely due to a projected increase in total revenue of \$169 million.

"The final cost of the flooding which devastated many Saskatchewan communities earlier this summer is still being determined," Krawetz said. "However, we are setting aside \$150 million for flood-related expenses."

Total revenue for 2014-15 is now forecast at \$14.242 billion including an increase of \$110 million from non-renewable resources and an increase of \$81 million from Government Business Enterprises, which are primarily Crown Corporations.

[Province's Finances Remain on Track Despite Flooding Costs](#)

GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS PROVINCE-WIDE ACCESS TO ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES

The Ministry of Education is providing support on behalf of PreK-12 schools for the Multitype Database Licensing Program (MDLP). This program helps libraries across the province to pool funds to jointly purchase licenses to electronic information resources, giving students, teachers and library patrons access to more than 18,000 online journals, newspapers, reference books and more.

"Quality online resources are key to a successful learning experience for students," Education Minister Don Morgan said. "Through this program, we are ensuring Saskatchewan students, regardless of their location, have access to a large variety of materials that individual organizations may not be able to fund on their own."

[Government Supports Province-Wide Access to Online Learning Resources](#)

NEW BRIDGE PROJECTS DEVELOPMENT REVIEW APPROVED



This week, August 11, the Meewasin Valley, approved the design parameters of the North Commuter Parkway Project and Traffic Bridge that will form part of the Request for Proposals that will be issued later this year.

The decision follows a development review; it's a necessary step before construction projects occur in the Meewasin Valley Authority jurisdiction area along the South Saskatchewan River.

City Engineer Mike Gutek outlined for the MVA board the contract requirements and parameters for the replacement of the Traffic Bridge and the construction of the North Commuter Parkway Bridge in Saskatoon.

“Following extensive public consultation, City Council decided very specifically on the replacement of the Traffic Bridge which includes capacity for emergency vehicles as well as pedestrian and cyclist traffic on both sides,” Gutek says.

[New Bridge Projects Development Review Approved](#)

SASKATOON FOLKFEST 2014

Saskatoon folkfest



Celebrating 35 Years of Culture
August 14-15-16

Our city will be a hub of activity once again this weekend as the Saskatoon FolkFest begins! It will be a fantastic weekend to celebrate the incredible culture from countries around the world.

This is the 35th year FolkFest will share the rich culture of so many countries right here in the Bridge City.

Please take the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful weather and visit 18 different countries along with the RBC Global Village. The pavilions will be filled with an eclectic combination of fun, food, entertainment and education.

For more information on Passports, the different countries participating and free transportation

routes, please visit www.saskatoonfolkfest.com.

SASKATCHEWAN OFFERS SECOND FREE FISHING WEEKEND AUGUST 23 AND 24

The weekend of August 23 and 24 marks the province's second free fishing weekend of the summer. Everyone – including visitors to the province – will be free to fish on those days without having to buy a licence.

Due to extreme rainfall and flooding in some areas of the province last month, boaters were advised to stay off some lakes for their own safety and to prevent disruption of flood mitigation efforts. As a result, people may not have had the opportunity to take advantage of the Free Fishing Weekend in July. However, everyone will have the chance to enjoy another free fishing weekend in Saskatchewan.

“Free fishing weekend is a good time to try your luck fishing in one of Saskatchewan's wonderful lakes and rivers, and to introduce new anglers to one of the province's most popular outdoor activities,” Environment Minister Scott Moe said. “Sport fishing attracts more than 225,000 residents and visitors to our province, and generates more than \$300 million each year.”

[Saskatchewan Offers Second Free Fishing Weekend August 23 and 24](#)

CITIZENS' DECORATION DAY

Citizens' Decoration Day will be celebrated at the Soldiers' Cairn located at the Woodlawn Cemetery on Sunday, August 17, 2014. The annual event provides citizens with an opportunity to pay tribute to those brave individuals who lost their lives in the service of our country.

The day will begin with a parade, including Legion members, ANAVET members, and members of the Armed Forces, at 2:30 p.m. starting from the Woodlawn Cemetery Office gate (north end of Memorial Avenue) and proceeding into the cemetery shortly thereafter. The service is at 3:00 p.m.

[Citizen's Decoration Day](#)

PROGRESS ON THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



The Children's Hospital of Saskatchewan reached an important milestone with the demolition of the Cameco Skywalk at the Royal University Hospital site this week. This marks 90% of the work required to complete demolition of the portion of the parkade at RUH where the new hospital will be built. Over the next few weeks, crews will continue to excavate and prepare the site for the start of construction. Hospital construction is scheduled to begin mid-September.

For more demolition pictures and videos, visit the photo gallery [here](#).

Click [here](#) for facts on demolition, construction zone information and images of the new RUH hospital entrance.

PROVINCE AND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HELP THREE SASKATOON FAMILIES BECOME HOMEOWNERS

Three families in Saskatoon now have a place of their own to call home, thanks to a partnership between the Government of Saskatchewan and Habitat for Humanity. The province, through Saskatchewan Housing Corporation, provided \$150,000 to help construct the homes. Additional funding and support is provided by Conexus Credit Union, Mosaic Potash Corporation and the City of Saskatoon.

Central Services Minister Jennifer Campeau attended a key presentation today on behalf of Social Services Minister and Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Donna Harpauer. Each of the three homes, located at the 602 Avenue G South tri-plex, are approximately 800 square feet or 74 square meters with developed basements.

“Our Government is committed to safe, quality and affordable housing for families as part of the Saskatchewan Growth Plan,” Campeau said. “Habitat for Humanity and its partners deserve recognition for coming together to build stronger neighbourhoods and, most importantly, help families own a home they would not otherwise be able to. We are pleased that three more families will be able to begin a promising future.”

[Province and Habitat for Humanity Help Three Saskatoon Families Become Homeowners](#)

JUST THE LINKS

August 14, 2014 - [Crop Report for the Period August 5 to 11, 2014](#)

August 14, 2014 - [Saskatchewan Week Kicks Off in PEI August 18](#)

August 14, 2014 - [Bridge Projects on Highway 3 Get Underway](#)

COMING EVENTS

FolkFest 2014

Date: August 14 - 16

When: August 14 & 15 - 5:00 pm - midnight; August 16 - 3:00 pm - midnight

Where: [View Here](#)

Show and Shine Weekend

Date: August 24

When: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Where: Downtown Saskatoon

Zach Jeffries Ward 10 BBQ

Date: August 27

When: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Where: Alice Turner Library

PotashCorp FireWorks Festival

Date: August 29 - 30

When: Mainstage Starts at 5:00 pm

Where: Rotary Park & River Landing

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

**“One of the things I learned the hard way
was that it doesn't pay to get discouraged.
Keeping busy and making optimism a way of life
can restore your faith in yourself.”**

~ Lucille Ball

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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 Silver Springs. 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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