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Provincial Point of View

August 16

Enjoy FolkFest this weekend!

STATEMENT BY PREMIER WALL



I sent out the link in last weeks special Provincial Point of View. The following is a transcript of Premier Wall's video statement:

Good morning.

This November will mark 10 years since I had the incredible honour of being elected as Premier of this wonderful province that I love. I've always thought that the 10 year mark – should I be so fortunate to serve that long - might be the right time to reevaluate.

Together with Tami, I have decided that now is the time for renewal – for my party, for the government, for the province. It's time for me to retire from politics.

And so I've asked the Saskatchewan Party to begin the process of electing a new leader, who will become the next Premier. I'll continue to serve as Premier until the new leader is chosen.

And until then, there's still a lot of work to do. And we carry out that work in a Saskatchewan much stronger after a decade of growth.

It's easy to forget how things were in the province just 10 years ago. Remember the questions we used to ask?

Could our population get over and stay over a million people? Could we put an end to the near certainty that young people would look first to some place outside of Saskatchewan for their future? And why, in a province as blessed with resources and amazing and innovative people as ours, would we have the worst job creation record in all of Canada, as we did just 10 years ago?

Well, we came to office, some said naively, with a vision and a plan for growth, seeking to put an end to these questions, together with you, the people of Saskatchewan.

We set a goal of seeing Saskatchewan grow by 100,000 people in 10 years. Some called that impossible.

Saskatchewan has now grown by 160,000 people during our decade of growth. We are only 40,000 short of 1.2 million people.

Today, there are more than 67,000 more jobs in the province than there were 10 years ago. And instead of the worst job creation record, Saskatchewan has had Canada's second-best job creation record during our decade of growth.

And we don't ask those questions anymore.

Growth is the new normal in this province. That is remarkable. The credit goes to you Saskatchewan.

And I think our plan for growth and its specific actions have also helped. Things like new, more aggressive immigration policies, the graduate retention program, our efforts to engage with the world, to tell Saskatchewan's story, to promote all that we have to offer to a growing world.

Legislative and regulatory improvements to the business climate have helped. Lower income taxes, lower small and large business taxes, lower education property taxes, have all helped create the Saskatchewan advantage, and a decade of growth.

And together, we have invested the dividends of growth to improve the lives of Saskatchewan people.

We have built and repaired a record number of highway kilometres. We have built 40 new and replacement schools and hired 850 more teachers to instruct a growing number of students. We've been building long-term care facilities and a new Children's Hospital, and a new psychiatric hospital.

We have taken the longest surgical wait times in Canada 10 years ago and transformed them into among the shortest in Canada with the help of 750 more doctors, 3,000 more nurses of every designation that have we have hired, and with the help of innovations like private surgical clinics.

And we have remembered those most vulnerable during our decade of growth – doubling supports for people with disabilities, tripling the income assistance program for low-

income seniors and removing 114,000 low-income people from the tax rolls completely through our income tax reductions.

We've also made mistakes. I have made mistakes. And yes, there is still much to do.

But those fundamental questions about the future viability of the province we all love? After this decade of growth, we don't ask them anymore.

Saskatchewan is growing and vibrant and strong. And I will be forever grateful that I had the opportunity to play some small part in all of that.

As for today, our plan to get the budget back to balance and to reduce our dependence on resource revenue is on track. Here again we have a foundation upon which to build. Provincial credit ratings are higher than they were when we were elected 10 years ago, there's less operating debt and we have the second-lowest debt-to-GDP ratio among all the provinces.

This decade of growth truly is a strong foundation upon which to build.

I believe, though, that to best ensure continued success in that work, Saskatchewan needs renewal, a fresh perspective in leadership.

This was such a difficult decision to make. It is hard to lay this duty down, to retire from what has been and what will always be the honour of my working life.

But it is time.

So I leave you with something you will hear me oft repeat in the months ahead and for rest of my life.

Thank you Saskatchewan.

KEEPING SASKATCHEWAN STRONG



- Tax reductions have saved Saskatchewan people \$5.9 billion
- 112,000 people have been removed from provincial tax rolls
- A family of four in Saskatchewan pays NO income tax on their first \$50,495 of income – the highest tax-free threshold in Canada
- Tripled the Senior's Income Plan to \$270 per month
- Created the Saskatchewan Assured Income for Disability (SAID) program and increased its benefits 4 times
- Created the Personal Care Home Benefit which provides low income seniors assistance with the cost of living in a care home

I APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU!



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 me at ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net. I appreciate your feedback.

Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.

As your MLA, I would be pleased to attend functions and events in our constituency.



Be sure to mark this event on your calendar! The Community Fall Fun Fair will be held at 310 Perehudoff Crescent. The morning worship service begins at 10:30 am followed by a FREE Community Fall Fun Fair from noon to 3 pm.

Pink Cadillacs Diner Food Truck will be joining in the fair this year and will be selling their yummy treats and hotdogs! There will also be pony rides, a petting zoo, bouncy houses, popcorn, sno-kones, cotton candy, treat bas, fun fair games and gift basket draws.

This is sure to be a great family event. For more information call 306.249.3393 or visit the website [here](#).

[GREENWATER LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK UPGRADES](#)



It was great to have colleagues Hugh Nerlien and Joe Hargrave join me at Greenwater Lake Provincial Park last Saturday!

An investment of more than \$190,000 has been committed to upgrading electrical service in 50 campsites at Greenwater Lake Provincial Park's Hilltop campground.

Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff will be at an event at Greenwater Lake tomorrow, August 12, to officially announce this project. He will celebrate with the public and park staff the government's ongoing commitment to investing in provincial parks.

"With nearly four million visits in 2016, our provincial parks are hubs of activity and a sought-after destination for tourists and residents alike," Cheveldayoff said. "Projects like this help to ensure that we are continuing to meet the needs of our users and provide them with the best possible experience."

The contract for this work was awarded to Livewire Electric Ltd. out of Shellbrook. Work is scheduled to begin this fall, and is expected to be substantially complete before the 2018 summer season.

Though summer is winding down, camping season is not. Many provincial parks, including Greenwater Lake, offer camping well into September. Camping after the Labour Day long weekend is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis, though some parks do offer reservations into the fall.

Visit www.saskparks.net/fallcamping for more information.

**A FANTASTIC TOUR OF A FEW OF OUR BEAUTIFUL PROVINCIAL
PARKS LAST WEEKEND!**



**GET READY TO WALK IN THE OVARIAN CANCER WALK OF HOPE
SEPTEMBER 10TH IN SASKATOON**



Rain or shine, please plan to participate in the Saskatoon Ovarian Cancer Canada Walk of Hope. The organizing committee is pleased to invite you to attend this special occasion bringing people together to empower one another, support on another and demand better for women living with the country's most fatal women's cancer.

Only 44% of women diagnosed with ovarian cancer live 5 years past their diagnosis and these survival rates haven't improved in 50 years. Constituents in your riding are determined to change the status quo.

The Walk is the country's largest event dedicated to ensuring that women with ovarian cancer live fuller, better, longer lives. This year the committee hopes to raise \$2.1 million for support, awareness and research.

The committee would be honoured if you would attend this year's Walk of Hope. Click [here](#) for additional information.

When:	Sunday, September 10, 2017
10:00 – 12:00pm	Pancake breakfast, morning coffee and entertainment
12:00 – 1:00pm	Registration
1:00pm	Walk/Fun Run
2:00pm	Join the group for free post Walk refreshments, team and participant recognition and children's fun zone!
Where:	Windy Acres, Highway 60, Saskatoon

SEE FLASHING LIGHTS - SLOW TO 60



**HIGHWAY
HOTLINE**

@SkGovHwyHotline

511

saskatchewan.ca/highwayhotline

Government
of
Saskatchewan

The Government of Saskatchewan and CAA Saskatchewan would like to remind you, if you see flashing lights ahead, slow to 60 km/hr. Not only is it the law, but also common sense to slow down to 60km/hr for anyone working on the side of the road. It only takes a split second for something to happen at higher speeds - slowing down could be the difference between life and death.

“Reducing your speed and being patient can save lives and help to ensure everyone makes it home safely,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister David Marit said. “This is why educating drivers of the importance of slowing to 60 is a priority.”

Drivers in Saskatchewan are required to slow when passing vehicles with their lights activated. This includes emergency vehicles (law enforcement, fire trucks and ambulances) and tow trucks, as well as Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure and municipal equipment.

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

FOLKFEST REGINA



I was pleased say a few words on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan at Regina's Folk Festival. I joined MLA Carla Beck and Regina Folkfest organizers on a beautiful day at Victoria Park last Sunday. The 48th edition of the Regina Folk Festival was a stunning example of community, live music and good times. Congratulations to everyone involved in this successful event.

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 1 TO 7, 2017



Producers in the province have two per cent of the crop combined and three per cent swathed or ready to straight-cut, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's Weekly Crop Report. The five-year (2012-2016) average for this time of year is two per cent combined and two per cent swathed or ready to straight-cut.

Seventy-five per cent of fall rye, 31 per cent of winter wheat, 11 per cent of field peas and 10 per cent of lentils are now in the bin. Five per cent of mustard and one per cent of canola has been swathed.

Read the entire news release [here](#) and remember farmers, be safe!

SASKATCHEWAN SHINES AT THE 2017 CANADA SUMMER GAMES



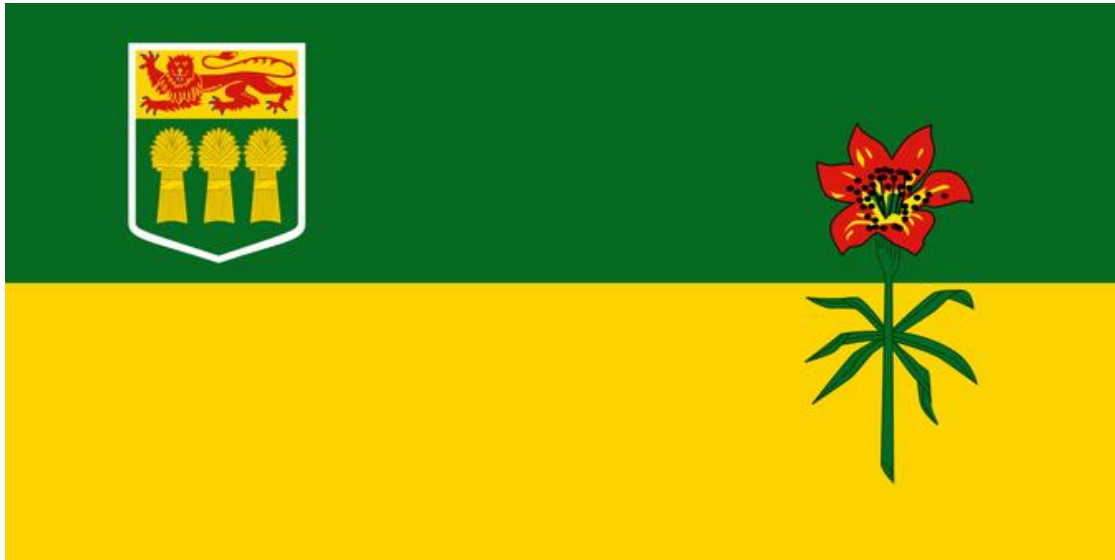
More than 300 athletes and coaches representing Saskatchewan competed in the 2017 Canada Summer Games that wrapped up on August 13, 2017 in Winnipeg. The Games, which are celebrating their 50th anniversary this year, featured 16 sports for young Canadian athletes to display their talents as they competed in the largest bi-annual multi-sport event of its kind in Canada.

“We want to congratulate Team Sask for their strong performance at this year’s games,” Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff said. “This was a great event to showcase the excellent athletic talent in Saskatchewan. It was also an opportunity to celebrate and share the artistic and cultural offerings of our province.”

Team Sask placed first in Men’s Baseball, 100m Backstroke Para Female Swimming, 100m Breaststroke Para Female Swimming, 200m Medley Para Female Swimming, 50m Freestyle Para Female Swimming, Sailing 2.4m Para Mix, Women’s 800m Athletics, and Men’s 1500m Athletics. Saskatchewan’s medal count of 35 was comprised of eight gold, 10 silver and 17 bronze medals, ranking them seventh overall against Canada’s other provinces and territories.

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

AN OPEN LETTER TO BRAD WALL FROM A YOUNG SASKATCHEWAN FARMER



Dear Premier Wall,

Today you announced your impending retirement from politics, from the position of Premier of Saskatchewan, and my heart broke a little.

Born and raised here in Saskatchewan, I never dreamed of a leader like yourself. I never dreamed of what Saskatchewan, as a province, was capable of. For myself, your time as Premier was a little like the blind being blessed with sight, as I never had the smallest vision of what was possible. A vision that, thankfully, you did have.

You see, I grew up in a very different Saskatchewan than the one that my children know. In my formative years, Saskatchewan was quite literally the joke of Western Canada. The gap, as Canada knew us as then.

It was not until you took our amazing province's reins that I dreamed that we could ever become anything but a have-not province. A sentiment I can only imagine was shared by the majority of my classmates, by the way they fled Saskatchewan in droves after completing their education. Your leadership changed that.

With the last decade, I have developed the type of puffed chest pride of our province that can only be likened to that of my pride in my children. I have shouted to the world that right here, right now, Saskatchewan is THE best place in the world to live. THE best place in the world to raise my children. THE best place in the world to farm, ranch, and feed the people of this world. For that I thank you.

Thank you for bringing the people of Saskatchewan together. Thank you for ensuring my children's prosperity here. Thank you for making the difficult, unpopular decisions that are best for our province in the long run. Before you, I never knew that politicians could make decisions based on what is right,

rather than what gains votes. For that I thank you. Thank you for making the RoughRiders win (ok, I may be getting a little carried away...). Thank you for teaching me the word "Jackwagon".

Thank you Premier Wall for pouring your heart and soul into Saskatchewan, because as you have proved, we are worth it.

Sign with gratitude,

Adrienne Ivey

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SCOTTY!



Many people enjoyed a unique afternoon at the EASTEND | T.rex Discovery Centre today! They gathered to celebrate the birthday of Scotty T.rex! Happy birthday Scotty!



Folkfest

When: August 17 - 19

Where: Various venues throughout the city

[Click here for details](#)

folkfest

Rock 102 Show & Shine Weekend

When: August 18 - 20

Where Downtown Saskatoon

[Click here for additional information](#)



Rock the River

When: August 18 - 20

Where: Delta Bessborough

[Click here for information](#)



Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan

When: now through August 20

Where: Big white tents off Spadina Crescent



Ukrainian Day in the Park

When: August 26 from 11:30 - 7:30

Where: Kiwanis Park, Downtown Saskatoon



Original 16 Country Concert Series at Rock Creek

A poster for the 'Original 16 Country Concert Series at Rock Creek'. The background is dark with a large, stylized graphic of a guitar. The text is in white and yellow. The series title is 'ORIGINAL 16 country concert series AT ROCK CREEK!'. Below this is a list of dates and performers. At the bottom, there is information about the location and contact details, along with logos for SASK MUSIC, Rock Creek Tap and Grill, and PotashCorp Country Music Week.

**ORIGINAL 16
country concert
series
AT ROCK CREEK!**

TUES. JUN. 6.17 JACKIE GUY, SHANTAIA POULIN
TUES. JUN. 20.17 JJ VOSS, BRODY SIEBERT
TUES. JUL. 11.17 BRUIN, LISA MOEN
TUES. JUL. 25.17 ERIN HILL, BROCK ANDREWS
TUES. AUG. 15.17 JUSTIN LABRASH, KELSEY FITCH
TUES. AUG. 22.17 MABALEKA, AARON RIDGEN
TUES. AUG. 29.17 ALEX RUNIONS, ELLY THORN
TUES. SEPT. 5.17 DARLENE TULETA, ROLAND CORRIGAL
WED. SEPT. 6.17 AMANDA HAGEL, STEVE GIBSON
THUR. SEPT. 7.17 TENILLE ARTS, SAMARA YUNG

ALL CONCERTS WILL TAKE PLACE
AT ROCK CREEK TAP AND GRILL: MCORMOND LOCATION,
#102, 1820 MCORMOND DR
RESERVATIONS ENCOURAGED! CALL 306.979.7337 TO RESERVE A TABLE.
ALL CONCERTS START AT 7:30PM.

SASK MUSIC Rock Creek TAP AND GRILL ORIGINAL 16 PotashCorp COUNTRY MUSIC WEEK

PotashCorp Fireworks Festival

When: September 1 - 2

Where: River Landing and Friendship Park, 5 - 9 pm daily

Click [here](#) for details



Broadway Street Fair

When: September 9, 10 am - 5 pm

Where: Broadway Avenue

Click [here](#) for information



Chris Hendrickson Photography

Briarwood Family BBQ

When: Sunday, September 10, 1 - 3 pm

Where: Briarwood Park



Canadian Country Music Association Awards

When: September 10

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



Octoberfest Dinner & Comedy Night

When: October 20

Where: German Cultural Centre, 160 Cartwright St. E

For tickets call 306.955.0234

A poster for Oktoberfest Dinner & Comedy Night. At the top, it says 'Oktoberfest Dinner & Comedy Night' and 'Fri Oct 20, 2017'. It is presented by Rubicon Health Solutions. The poster features a grid of images: a German buffet menu, comedian Kelly Taylor, the Jubilee Residences Foundation logo, and photos of performers and attendees. A pink circle says 'Limited # of tickets!'. At the bottom, it says 'Held at the German Cultural Centre 160 Cartwright St. E.' and 'TICKETS www.JubileeResidences.ca (306) 955-0234'.

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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