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Provincial Point of View

February 18, 2016

**PREMIER BRAD WALL REMAINS
CANADA'S MOST POPULAR PREMIER!**

KEEP IN TOUCH!

I appreciate the many opportunities I have to make a positive difference in our constituency, city and province. I enjoy visiting with you on your doorsteps and events in and around our community. Your thoughts, ideas and feedback 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 our office at 306.651.7100 or email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net.

Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.

BRIDGING TO TOMORROW



It was exciting to be in attendance last Thursday at the construction launch of the North Commuter Parkway and Traffic Bridge!

The City of Saskatoon's largest-ever bridge-building program is underway. February 11, the City of Saskatoon, Government of Saskatchewan and Government of Canada marked the official launch of the North Commuter Parkway and new Traffic Bridge construction project.

"Investing in infrastructure is vital to creating middle class jobs today and sustained economic growth for years to come," Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale said. "The progress of this project marks an important milestone for the City of Saskatoon, one that also further demonstrates the benefit of partnering with the private sector to deliver projects such as the North Commuter Parkway and new Traffic Bridge to help build resilient and inclusive communities in which Canadians desire to live, which is something this Government is committed to."

"Our government is pleased to invest \$50 million toward the North Commuter Parkway Bridge," Education Minister and Saskatoon Southeast MLA Don Morgan said on behalf of Government Relations Minister Jim Reiter. "The City of Bridges" latest addition, the North Commuter Parkway, will serve a valuable role in reducing commute times, while also increasing capacity for Saskatoon's future growth."

“We’re grateful for the continuing strong partnerships with the federal and provincial governments in helping to ensure the people of Saskatoon benefit from infrastructure investments,” Saskatoon Mayor Donald Atchison said. “Both the Parkway and the new Traffic Bridge will shorten commute times, cut fuel costs, offer more transportation options for cyclists and pedestrians, and help grow the economy—all of which improve our quality of life.”

Click [here](#) to read more about the North Commuter Parkway and Traffic Bridge construction launch.

HELP KIDS IN NEED STAND UP AGAINST BULLYING



Pink Shirt Day is February 24, 2016. Pink Shirt Day focuses on the importance of kindness. Helping change the culture around bullying takes a whole community approach. Please take a few moments and talk to your children about bullying. We all have the capacity to spread kindness and that is the underlying philosophy behind the anti-bullying movement; a movement that lives year round, beyond Pink Shirt Day! After all, kindness never goes out of style.

Solutions:

Did you know:

- 90% of bullying happens in front of an audience.

- 78% of Canadians believe that not enough is being done to stop bullying in their community.
- Children who are bullied suffer headaches, depression & anxiety.

Solutions:

- If its safe to do so, speak up. If not, walk away and tell an adult.
- Identify children at risk and help them develop healthy relationships.
- If your friend is being bullied, support them. Tell an adult what is happening.
- Start the culture change at home, model healthy relationships for your children.

HELP END BULLYING ON FEBRUARY 24! KINDNESS IS ONE SIZE FITS ALL! SPREAD THE WORD AND BE PART OF A CULTURE CHANGE AROUND BULLYING. Click [here](#) to learn more a receive your free social media toolkit packed with information, ideas and visuals to GET LOUD about preventing bullying.

SASKATCHEWAN PHYSICIAN NUMBERS CONTINUE TO RISE

Health Minister Dustin Duncan confirmed that the number of new physicians in Saskatchewan continues to rise, with nearly 650 more doctors practising in the province since 2007. This represents a 40 per cent increase in overall physician numbers compared to 2007.

“Our government was elected on the promise of training, recruiting, and retaining more doctors,” Duncan said. “This announcement February 11 confirms, while there is still more work to do, that we have taken action on this important health care file.”

Read the entire news release [here](#) to read more as work begins on a long term plan to further strengthen physician workforce.

SUPPORT TEAM DIABETES!

Country Cabaret

In Support of Team Diabetes

FEATURING
CODIE PREVOST
KELSEY FITCH

This evening consists of a pulled pork buffet, cash bar,
opening performance by Kelsey Fitch and two sets by
Codie Prevost.

MARCH 5TH, 2016

7:30 PM

Martensville North Ridge Centre

[HTTPS://WWW.PICATIC.COM/TEAMDIABETES CABARET](https://www.picatic.com/teamdiabetescabaret)



NEW PILOT PROGRAM ALLOWS SASKATCHEWAN RESIDENTS TO VIEW THEIR PERSONAL HEALTH CARE INFORMATION ONLINE

eHealth Saskatchewan (eHealth) is piloting a new program that allows a group of residents from across the province to view their personal health information online through a secure website.

Health Minister Dustin Duncan announced the official launch of the Citizen Health Information Portal (CHIP) Pilot, which will include up to 1,000 participants. Throughout the six month trial period, participants will be able to view their personal lab results, immunization history, pharmacy and hospital visit history from anywhere in the world.

“Our government is excited to announce a new program that empowers the people of Saskatchewan to take a more active role in their own health care,” Duncan said. “CHIP is the first comprehensive electronic system of its kind in Canada that puts patients first.”

Read more about this pilot program [here](#).

FAMILY DAY FUN!



Paige and I had a great time family day at the ACT arena. It was nice to see so many families out for the Willowgrove University Heights 3rd annual Family Skate Day. Many new little skaters were on the ice for the first time. Special thanks to everyone involved for making this community activity such a success!

SASKATOON SILVER SPRINGS CONSTITUENT ELLY THORN LAUNCHES AN INCREDIBLE MUSIC VIDEO - CANADA'S REFUGEE STORY



What a phenomenal story! I was absolutely delighted to attend the music video launch last Friday of Canadian singer- songwriter, Elly Thorn's new music video, "You Didn't Even Know Me." I encourage you to click [here](#) and read more about this touching story and listen to the heartwarming video.

All proceeds from this outstanding video will support organizations working with Syrian refugees. The video is for the refugees and all Canadians who are opening up their hearts, doors and wallets to help newcomers feel welcome. Elly said, "I want it to reflect our generosity of spirit, hope for the future and strength through diversity."

Afton Tolley, program manager with Global Gathering Place said they will use the money to give refugees more opportunities to help them make Saskatoon their home.

To learn more about Elly Thorn, click [here](#) or for additional information on this story, contact cynthia@blockcommunications.ca.

FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH



Today, heart disease and stroke take one life every 7 minutes and 90% of Canadians have at least one risk factor. Heart Month is the Heart and Stroke Foundation's key opportunity to reach millions of Canadians in February and alert them to the risks of heart disease and stroke.

Volunteers are the face and the voice of the Heart and Stroke Foundation and Heart Month is a critical time when they work hard and count on all of us to share their message.

Thanks to the many volunteers and media outlets in our city that are fundraising and creating awareness during Heart Month. Through the generosity and compassion of caring people, the Heart and Stroke Foundation is able to help Canadians prevent heart disease and stroke. Learn more about the Heart and Stroke Foundation by clicking [here](#).

EXCITING NEWS FOR SASKATOON AND THE CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY MUSEUM



Left to right: His Worship Mayor Don Atchison; Denita Stann, Senior Vice President, Investor and Public Relations for Potash Corporation; Robin Chapman, Co-Chair of the Kid Approved Capital Campaign; Dave Hunchak, President, Children's Discovery Museum.

PotashCorp's lead gift, announced in a press conference earlier this week will be instrumental in the development of a new children's museum in the iconic Mendel Building. This transformative lead gift will help create a much-needed, high-calibre facility to serve our children, families and schools for years to come. Thank you, PotashCorp, for your incredible generosity and for

investing in curiosity!

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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Don't make
excuses,
make
improvements.
- Tyra Banks
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