

# Provincial Point of View January 17, 2014

# BRAD WALL CONTINUES TO HOLD THE TITLE OF MOST POPULAR PREMIER



We are fortunate to have an outstanding Premier in Saskatchewan.

The most recent online survey conducted by Angus Reid Global says Saskatchewan's Brad Wall continues to be Canada's most popular Premier.

**Congratulation Premier Wall!** 

**POTASHCORP WINTERSHINE 2014** 



PotashCorp WinterShine 2014, Saskatoon's premiere winter festival will take place from January 25 to February 2 at the Market Square at River Landing.

This exciting Saskatoon tradition is filled with fantastic events such as ice carving, pony rides, puppet shows, a soup cook-off and so much more! In addition, the ice park, skating rink, sleigh rides and the kiddle ice play area are also welcome attractions.

Mark this event on your family calendar and get out and enjoy winter in Saskatchewan at the WinterShine Festival beginning next week.

# SASKJOBS.CA SEES CONTINUED GROWTH IN POSTINGS, VISITS FOR 2013

The popularity of SaskJobs.ca as the go-to website for employers and job seekers in Saskatchewan continued to grow in 2013.

The 16,019 monthly average job postings advertised on the website in 2013 reflect an increase of 5.6 per cent (852) compared to the monthly average of job postings in 2012.

"Saskatchewan's diversified and opportunity-rich economy is sustaining a highly active job market for our people and businesses," Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. "With the lowest unemployment rate in Canada throughout 2013 along with our province's highest annual job creation growth on record, we have a lot to offer, and the web traffic at SaskJobs.ca certainly reflects this."

Visits to Saskjobs.ca were up 9.8 per cent (1,124,071) year-over-year to reach 12,583,669. Notable increases in traffic sources were the Philippines (138.6 per cent), United Arab Emirates (65.0 per cent), Alberta (38.7 per cent), Quebec (28.7 per cent), United States (22.9 per cent), British Columbia (12.8 per cent), and Prince Edward Island (11.1 per cent).

A significant proportion (79 per cent) of the 2013 vacancies required at least high school diploma, and 44 per cent of job vacancies are oriented toward higher skill levels requiring at least some post-secondary education or management experience.

Among the provinces, most website traffic comes from Alberta, while the Philippines is the top source of international visits.

SaskJobs.ca Sees Continued Growth in Postings, Visits for 2013

#### **SWINGING WITH THE STARS**



Another exciting event is planned in Saskatoon and will be held January 25 at TCU Place.

The 2nd Annual GMG Jeweller's, "Swinging With The Stars" fundraiser is dubbed as one of

Saskatoon's "most fun" events.

This fun filled and energetic event raised over \$40,000 last year for the Prairie Hospice Society. The hospice provides an amazing service to people in need in Saskatoon. For more information see <a href="https://www.prairiehospice.org">www.prairiehospice.org</a>.

If you want to have a fun evening, check out the information on "Swinging With The Stars" on their Facebook page at: <a href="www.facebook.com/Swingsaskatoon">www.facebook.com/Swingsaskatoon</a>.

### **JUST THE LINKS**

January 13, 2014 - Saskatchewan Communities Will Benefit from Renewed Lottery Agreement

January 14, 2014 - Governments Invest \$7 Million into Crop Research

January 14, 2014 - Government Working with Foster Families

January 17, 2014 - Measles Case in Saskatchewan Prompts Public Advisory

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

- ... The average commute time in Saskatchewan is 20 minutes.
- ... Since 2008, our government has invested \$4.6 billion into post secondary institutions and students
- ... Saskatchewan Unemployment Rate is 3.9%, the lowest in Canada for the 12th consecutive month.
- ... Saskatchewan lottery proceeds benefit more than 12,000 volunteer-run groups that deliver services to communities across the province.
- ... In Saskatoon on Wednesday, winds were 115 km/hr, breaking an almost 30 year record. The temperature was 7.5 degrees Celsius, breaking a 120 year record!

#### **COMING EVENTS**

**Lynne Yelich Open House** 

Date: January 18

Where: Prairieland Park; Lakewood Civic Centre; Nutana Legion

When: 10 am - 12 pm; 1 pm - 3 pm; 3 pm - 5 pm

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Date: January 18

Where: Prairieland Park

When: 7 pm

Alzheimer Society of Saskatchewan Walk for Memories

Date: January 19

Where: Saskatoon Field House

When: Registration at 12 pm; Walk at 1 pm - 3 pm

Potash Corp WinterShine Festival

Date: January 25 - February 2

Where: Saskatoon's Farmers Market at River Landing

When: Mon - Fri 4 pm - 8 pm; Sat 12 pm - 8 pm; Sun 10 am - 8 pm

#### THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success.

When you do a thing, do it with all your might.
Put your whole soul into it.
Stamp it with your own personality.
Be active, be energetic and faithful, and you will accomplish your object.
Nothing great was ever achieve without enthusiasm."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

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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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