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Provincial Point of View

January 22, 2015

3RD ANNUAL SWINGING WITH THE STARS



I am looking forward to attending "Swinging with the Stars" Saturday, January 24 at TCU Place. I hope to see you there!

My wife Trish has been practicing hard and is excited about having the opportunity to participate with the celebrity dancers for an action packed high energy evening! Trish will be dancing with Ervin Kormos to a medley of songs from "Dirty Dancing".

This year marks the third year for the event with all proceeds going towards funding Hope's Home. It is important to Swinging with the Stars and Hope's Home that every person that contributes understands exactly where the dollars are going. Hope's Home is the first medically integrated daycare in Canada. It offers respite services, along with fun and educational programs, for children with complex medical needs and their siblings, as well as healthy children in the community. Hope's Home also provides supportive living homes for children and 24 hour respite care for families as an alternative to hospital beds. There is a Hope's Home in Regina and Prince Albert and they are in the process of opening one here in Saskatoon.

I encourage you to contribute to this worthwhile cause. If you click on the link provided below you can support your favourite celebrity dancer. Any donation over \$50 will receive a tax receipt for 100% of the donation.

[MAKE YOUR DONATION AND VOTE HERE](#)

AVOID UNWANTED HOUSE INSURANCE CLAIMS THIS WINTER

Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority of Saskatchewan (FCAA) in partnership with the Insurance Brokers' Association of Saskatchewan (IBAS) is pleased to provide the following winter house maintenance tips to help Saskatchewan homeowners avoid home insurance claims this winter.

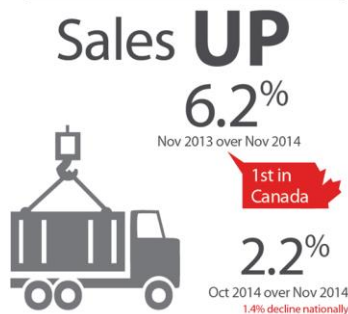
“No one wants to wake up one morning to see water running down their wall, call their insurance agent and be told they don't have coverage,” FCAA Chair and CEO Dave Wild said. “Homeowners should perform regular house maintenance and know their coverage.”

Not all house insurance policies are the same. Understanding the different types of coverage, what is covered and the circumstances around the coverage is very important. Talk to your insurance broker if you have questions about your policy.

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MANUFACTURING SALES BUCK NATIONAL TREND

SASKATCHEWAN MANUFACTURING



Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM tables 304-0014 and 304-0015

Saskatchewan 

Saskatchewan's manufacturing sales in November 2014 bucked the national trend according to a report released by Statistics Canada today.

On a year-over-year basis, sales were up 6.2 per cent in the province, while nationally sales were up 2.6 per cent.

Saskatchewan had the highest percentage increase among the provinces. On a month-over-month comparison, sales were up 2.2 per cent in Saskatchewan. Nationally, sales dropped by 1.4 per cent.

"We have a thriving manufacturing sector in Saskatchewan which has helped offset some of the challenges faced in other areas of the economy," Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. "It is that diversity that helps to balance our economy compared to other resource-based provincial."

[MANUFACTURING SALES BUCK NATIONAL TREND](#)

CORE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD FOR SASKATCHEWAN COMPLETE

A comprehensive provincial electronic health record (EHR) for Saskatchewan residents is complete. Health providers with access to

the EHR Viewer can now see their patients' diagnostic imaging results, completing the core components of an EHR for Saskatchewan residents.

The EHR Viewer is a secure website developed for Saskatchewan health care providers to give access to patient information regardless of where an individual goes for care or where they live in the province.

“The EHR Viewer will allow seamless sharing of health information, something residents and providers told us we needed to better coordinate patients' health care,” Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. “Patients benefit when their providers have timely access to information when making health care decisions.”

[CORE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD FOR SASKATCHEWAN COMPLETE](#)

**NHL RETURNS TO SASKATOON SEPTEMBER
26, 2015!**



Ken with John Graham, On Ice Management and Tim Shipton, VP of Communications, Edmonton Oilers

I had the pleasure of attending an exciting news conference at the SaskTel Centre January 20. Once again, Saskatoon will welcome the NHL back to our city! The Edmonton Oilers and the Minnesota Wild will be here Saturday, September 26, 2015 as part of the 2015 NHL preseason. Game time is 4:00 PM.

This will be the Minnesota Wild's first visit to Saskatoon and they look forward to playing against the Edmonton Oilers in one of Canada's true hockey communities!

John Graham, from On Ice Management is looking forward to working

with the Saskatoon Blades and SaskTel Centre on another successful NHL game in Saskatoon.

Ticket prices are \$47.25 to \$99.75 (plus service charges) and are available this weekend through all Ticketmaster outlets, on-line at Ticketmaster.ca or you can call 306.938.7800 or 1.800.970.7328.

WHOLESALE TRADE VALUE REACHES HIGHEST EVER RECORDED IN SASKATCHEWAN

The value of wholesale trade in Saskatchewan continues to grow and set new records, reaching \$2.3 billion in November 2014 – the highest number ever recorded (seasonally adjusted) since Statistics Canada began collecting wholesale trade data in 1993.

According to the report released today, wholesale trade in November increased by 14.4 per cent compared to November 2013 (seasonally adjusted) – earning Saskatchewan second spot in percentage growth among provinces.

“The value of wholesale trade in our province has increased for the fourth consecutive month, reaching a number that has never before been seen in Saskatchewan,” Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. “This is proof that Saskatchewan’s diverse economy remains strong and will continue to see growth in many sectors.”

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2015 SABEX AWARDS



Nominate a business today for the 2015 SABEX Awards!

- It's a great way to celebrate a business doing positive things within our community
- Show your appreciation to a business, clients or supplier as nominees are made aware of who nominated them
- Help a company gain recognition and exposure within the business community

NOMINATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 12, 2015

[SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION](#)

CONSUMER ADVISORY - TRAVEL PACKAGES

The recent cold snap has people dreaming of sun and sand but the Consumer Protection Division of the Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority reminds consumers to be aware of scam artists claiming to sell discount travel packages.

Callers claiming to represent Luxury Getaway Group have been offering travel packages to people in Saskatchewan. Luxury Getaway Group is not licenced as a direct seller.

Unsolicited sales calls are considered direct sales under *The Direct Sellers Act*. If a salesperson or company calls you to sell something, they are required to have a licence. Red flags include:

- Beware of unsolicited phone calls or mailers that offer travel packages that sound too good to be true.
- High pressure sales – If a caller pressures you to "buy now or lose out on a limited time offer", you should be wary.

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JUST THE LINKS

[January 19, 2015 - New Degree Programs For Briercrest College](#)

[January 20, 2015 - Saskatchewan Proclaims Red Tape Awareness Week](#)

[January 21, 2015 - Provincial Government Proclaims Curling Day in Saskatchewan](#)

[January 22, 2015 - Housing Transition Will Help More People in Need](#)

COMING EVENTS

PotashCorp WinterShines

Date: January 24 to February 1

When: Various Times

Where: River Landing

Info: Visit the [website](#) to find out more.

Swinging With The Stars

Date: January 24

When: Coctails at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm, Celebrity Dancers at 7:30 pm, DJ at 10:30 pm

Where: TCU Place

Info: Visit the [website](#) for more information.

Preston Early Learning Preschool at Willowgrove School

When: February 3

When: 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Erindale Alliance Church

AND

When: February 4

When: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Where: Holy Family Cathedral

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Develop an attitude of gratitude, and give thanks for everything that happens to you, knowing that every step forward is a step toward achieving something bigger and better than your current situation." Brian Tracy

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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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