

Provincial Point of View

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Making memories with family and friends is what summer in Saskatchewan is all about - on the beach, around the campfire, or wherever your heart takes you. Its a great weekend to head out to one of Saskatchewan's Provincial Parks! This Saturday, July 15th entry to Provincial Parks in the Province is free!!

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF GARDINER DAM!



It was a beautiful day today and a great crowd was out to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Gardiner Dam! Check out the video taken at the celebration here.

Honourable Scott Moe, Honourable Ralph Goodale and several officials from Water Security Agency and SaskPower attended the celebration today. The public enjoyed a barbeque and many activities.

Gardiner Dam, located 25 kilometres north of the Village of Elbow on the South Saskatchewan River is the principal dam which includes Lake Diefenbaker.

60 percent of Saskatchewan's population gets its drinking water from Lake Diefenbaker and the South Saskatchewan River.

More than a third of Saskatchewan's population depends on Lake Diefenbaker for various purposes including power generation, irrigation, recreation, wildlife habitat, as well as municipal and/or industrial use.

WORLD TRADE CENTRE COMING TO SASKATOON!



Saskatoon's skyline will be getting taller! I was pleased to join Don Atchison and other dignitaries last week as we were provided an update on this exciting news.

World Trade Center Saskatoon is the premier location to connect Saskatchewan to the world and the world to Saskatchewan.

Saskatoon Star Phoenix: "The developer behind a new nine-storey office building in Saskatoon's downtown core has pushed its construction start date from summer to fall, but plans to continue working on the \$50-million project despite sky-high vacancy rates in the city's central business district.

Canwest Commercial and Land Corp. senior consultant and former mayor Don Atchison told reporters Wednesday the Saskatoon-based developer was confident in the proposed "World Trade Center Saskatoon." He refused, however, to identify potential tenants for the project or say how much of the building has been pre-leased.

"This has a purpose to it; this isn't just about filling space," Atchison said when asked about the project's ability to attract interest in a soft real estate market. ICR Commercial Real Estate pegged the city's downtown office vacancy rate at 15.7 per cent in April — well above the low point of three per cent recorded in early 2012. "

Read the entire news clip from the Saskatoon Star Phoenix here.

REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



There are more positive signs of strength and resiliency in Saskatchewan's economy this week. Some of the latest highlights include:

- #1 in Canada for new car sales growth;
- Strong building permit growth of 20% over last year;
- Wholesale trade up 13%, the 2nd fastest pace in the nation; and
- Merchandise exports up over 38%, the 3rd highest growth in Canada.

Thank you to the innovative and inspiring individuals who create growth and opportunity for Saskatchewan's 1.16 million residents.

Our government has taken steps to improve Saskatchewan's competitiveness, including a move away from taxes on income, growth and productivity.

While encouraging people to invest and earn, this shift also creates a more reliable stream of revenue for a province that has long relied on volatile resource revenues.

When our plan is fully implemented, Saskatchewan will have the lowest corporate tax rate and the lowest taxes on manufacturing and processing in all of Canada.

We will have nation leading research and development incentives.

Notably, Saskatchewan will have among the lowest income taxes in the country and we will continue to have the lowest Provincial Sales Tax of any province with a PST.

We will be the only province in Canada without a carbon tax of any kind, and every level of income will still pay significantly less in income tax and Provincial Sales Tax than they did a decade ago.

We must maintain this competitive advantage.

Our government has been clear about how our competitiveness is put at risk by the federal government's plan to impose a carbon tax on our province and its people.

Thousands of Saskatchewan people earn a living in energy, mining and agriculture – trade-exposed, carbon intensive industries that are especially vulnerable to a carbon tax.

The federal government's own working group on carbon pricing acknowledges that a carbon tax would put energy, mining and agriculture sectors at a competitive disadvantage.

Economists call this concept "carbon leakage", something that occurs when jurisdictions with a carbon tax lose investment and jobs to jurisdictions without a carbon tax.

Ottawa's plan does not recognize a province's unique contribution to fighting climate change. Nor does it recognize competitive challenges with trade-exposed and carbon intensive industries.

Interestingly, a new poll has found that 71 per cent of Saskatchewan people and a strong majority of Canadians are opposed to Ottawa's carbon tax scheme.

As a strong and growing majority of people oppose Ottawa's carbon tax and a strong and growing majority are asking their government to continue fighting it. And we will.

SAVE THE DATE!



McORMOND DRIVE & COLLEGE DRIVE INTERCHANGE OPENING FALL 2018



The new interchange will...

- ease traffic congestion, especially during morning and afternoon rush hours
- reduce accidents
- include an additional northbound lane on McOrmond Drive (from 2 to 3 lanes) north of College Drive
- include multi-use pathways on both sides of McOrmond Drive
- include accessible pedestrian and cyclist pathways, allowing for safe movement across the roadways
- include new street lighting along College Drive between McOrmond Drive and McKercher

 Drive
- include new sound walls on the northwest side of the new interchange

Keep informed by clicking here.

SEAL COATS 101: SLOWING TO 60 KM/HR WITHOUT WORKERS PRESENT



If you are driving through a 60 km/hr construction zone with fresh oil or gravel on the road, but no workers are present, you are likely passing through a seal coat project. Seal coats are a cost-effective highway treatment that provides a waterproof surface, prolonging pavement life.

"Last year we heard from the public that some work zones were too long, leading to driver frustration," Highways and Infrastructure Minister David Marit said. "We listened to feedback, and worked with the roadbuilding industry to shorten the work zone for seal coats that, in some cases, were 40 kilometres or longer down to a maximum of 15 kilometres."

Read the news release here.

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JULY 4 - JULY 10



The majority of crops across the province are developing normally, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's Weekly Crop Report. Fifty-six per cent of fall cereals, 64 per cent of spring cereals, 62 per cent of oilseeds and 75 per cent of pulse crops are at their normal stages of development for this time of year. Crop conditions vary greatly across the province and have deteriorated over the past few weeks due to hot temperatures and a lack of rain.

Livestock producers now have 24 per cent of the hay crop cut and 39 per cent baled or put into silage. Hay quality is rated as 17 per cent excellent, 59 per cent good, 22 per cent fair and two per cent poor. Many hay swaths are significantly smaller than normal and pasture growth has been limited.

Read more here.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SASKATCHEWAN'S MARK MCMORRIS!



CBC Sports: Canadian snowboarder Mark McMorris won his first ESPY Award on Wednesday night. The Regina native and reigning Olympic bronze medallist in slopestyle won the award as the best male action sports athlete.

Congratulations Mark!

WOULD YOUR CHILDREN LIKE TO JOIN ME ON THE FIRETRUCK IN THE SASKATOON EXHIBITION PARADE?



The Exhibition Day Parade will be held Tuesday, August 8th at 10:00 am. Once again, Saskatoon Willowgrove will have an entry in the parade. We will be riding on an antique fire truck owned by Ken Sawatsky. I invite you to join me to ride on the firetruck!

The parade is always a lot of fun for the kids as they wave to the hundreds of people that line the streets.

If your children are interested in riding along with me, please email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net with your contact information and we'll get back to you with details. Please note, space is limited.

ERINDALE ALLIANCE CHURCH GARAGE SALE THIS SATURDAY!

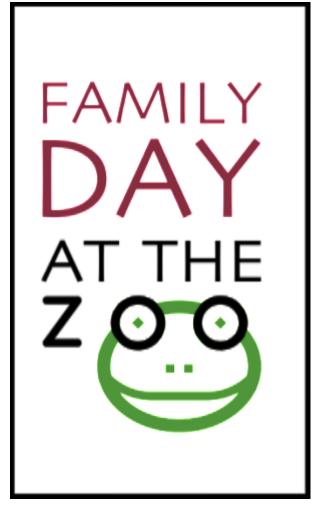


Saturday July 15

Remember this Saturday, July 15th is the Community Garage Sale! It will be held from 8 am - 2 pm, rain or shine! This Community event will be held at the Erindale Alliance Church located at 310 Perehudoff Cresent. You are invited to drop off your donations (good, used household items and well as clothing) this week from 8:30 am - 4 pm. You can also phone 306.249.3393 to book a table and sell your own stuff!

There will be a concession available. This is a great opportunity to get some great buys and meet your neighbours

FAMILY FUN DAY AT THE ZOO THIS SUNDAY, JULY 16TH!



Remember ... it is Family Day at the Zoo this Sunday, July 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.(Gates open at 9:00 a.m.) join staff at their annual Family Day at the Zoo fundraiser. There will be great entertainment, animal talks, and activities for the children. Enjoy a treat at our BBQ while you're there! Funds raised by this event support the zoo's environmental education programs.

The committee and staff thank you in advance for your support and hope to see you out at the Zoo! Admission is \$24 for a family (2 adults and up to 5 children 18 years of age or under), \$12.00 for adults, \$7.25 for children ages 6-18, free for 5 and under. Saskatoon Zoo Society members will receive FAMILY ADMISSION for \$20.

Check out the many amazing events planned this summer at the Forest Farm Park and Zoo that will interest your family. Click <u>here</u> to see additional events!



A Taste of Saskatchewan

When: July 11-16

Where: Kiwanis Park, 601 Spadina Cres. E

Click here for schedules



Saskatoon Berry Festival

Where: Saskatoon Farmer's Market

When: July 22 & 23



WUHCA Summer Yoga in the Park

When: Tuesdays 6 pm-7 pm, June 6 - July 25

Where: Willowgrove Square

Register online https://www.registrationlogic.com/secure/Register.aspx.....

or in person 8:30 Willowgrove school.



Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan

When: now through August 20

Where: Big white tents off Spadina Crescent



Original 16 Country Concert Series at Rock Creek



Hands On Outreach Golf Tournament

When: Thursday, July 27

Where: The Dakota Dunes Golf Links

Reservations 306.653.4182 or info@handsonoutreach.ca



Quinn Stevenson Memorial Golf Tournament

When: August 12

Where: Willows Golf & Country Club

For information contact: Darrin or Shelley Johnson 934-9157, or

email: qs16golf@gmail.com.



Canadian Country Music Association Awards

When: September 10

Tickets on Sale Now, click here for details



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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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