

Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



Provincial Point of View

July 5, 2017
Free Fishing Weekend!

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN REGINA



*Living flag
Regina 2017
Canada 150*



My family and I were in Regina this year for Canada Day celebrations where Laura Ross brought greetings on behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan. Trish, Paige and I were pleased to be part of the living flag at the legislature along with colleagues Laura Ross, Mark Docherty and Tina Beaudry-Mellor.

ANOTHER FANTASTIC CANADA DAY CELEBRATION IN SASKATOON!



You might think this is a strange photo to post for Canada Day but it says a lot about Saskatoon Willowgrove constituent Brad Sylvester! Brad was part of Saskatoon's Optimist Canada Day 150 in Diefenbaker Park organizing committee and acted as co chair. Thousands of Canadians gathered at the park to celebrate a very special 150th birthday! Brad is pictured above changing the trash so everyone could enjoy a memorable Canada Day picnic and celebration in the park.

Congratulations to Brad and the Optimist Club for once again making the Saskatoon Canada Day Celebrations an outstanding success! If you see Brad around, please give him a pat on the back for his years of dedication and service to making Saskatoon's Canada Day Celebrations such a fantastic event.

MOSAIC STADIUM & CONFEDERATION PARK GRAND OPENING



It was fantastic to join Premier Brad Wall, Mayor Fougere and others at the Stadium Project - Mosaic Stadium & Confederation Park Grand Opening held Friday, June 30th. It was an exciting day as the ribbon was cut to officially open this state of the art facility to be enjoyed by everyone around the province.

The opening marked the culmination of ten years of planning and preparation. It was a pleasure to be part of a team that worked to see this amazing project come to fruition.

PIKE LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK SWIMMING POOL UPGRADE AND CANADA DAY FESTIVITIES



I was pleased to bring greetings on behalf of Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan at Pike Lake June 28th. It was wonderful to be there to announce some exciting upgrades for Pike Lake Provincial Park. Pike Lake sees visitors from all over the province and the country– both those who want to camp, and those who just want to spend the day enjoying the beautiful Saskatchewan scenery. Please see the news release below:

Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff was at Pike Lake Provincial Park today to announce an investment of more than \$240,000 to upgrade the very popular Pike Lake swimming pool and waterslide. Completion of this work will address the current safety concerns and extend the useful life of the waterslide.

“Provincial parks are an important part of Saskatchewan’s quality of life and are more popular than ever,” Cheveldayoff said. “Projects like these help to ensure that everyone who visits our parks have a great experience.”

The swimming pool and waterslide facility located at Pike Lake Provincial Park was constructed in 1986 and is a favourite attraction for park visitors. The facility consists of a swimming pool, waterslide, access-tower, and a service building. These upgrades will ensure the facility remains in good condition

and available for the public to enjoy for many years to come.

Repairs of the waterslide access-tower and supports will take place in the fall of 2017 and visitors are still welcome to enjoy its offerings this summer. A second phase of construction is planned for 2018-19 and will involve other repairs to finalize this project.

This summer, in celebration of Canada's 150th anniversary, Saskatchewan provincial parks will be offering free entry on Canada Day, July 1 and Canada's Parks Day, July 15. Pike Lake Provincial Park along with many other parks will be hosting special events and activities. For updated listings, visit www.saskparks.com

REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



Saskatchewan residents who pay income tax will soon be paying less and Saskatchewan people with lower incomes will receive a boost in their tax credit amounts.

Starting July 1, 2017, Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax rates will drop by half a percentage point, supporting our government's growth agenda and improving Saskatchewan's tax competitiveness. Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax rates will drop by another half point on July 1, 2019. Combined, these two reductions will save a single Saskatchewan taxpayer, with no dependents and an annual income of \$50,000, about \$77 per year. This person's 2020 Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax will be \$308 lower than his or her 2016 Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax.

Similarly, a married couple with two children and an annual family income of \$100,000, will save about \$117 per year. This family's 2020 Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax will be \$468 lower than their 2016

Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax as a result of these tax reductions.

Saskatchewan Low-Income Tax Credit amounts are going up with the maximum basic adult, spouse and equivalent-to-spouse amounts increasing by \$100. Dependent child amounts are increasing by \$40 per child. This boosts the maximum annual family benefit by 41 per cent.

In support of our growth agenda, Saskatchewan's general Corporate Income Tax rate will be reduced from 12 per cent to 11 per cent in half-point increments, effective July 1, 2017 and July 1, 2019. At 11 per cent, Saskatchewan's general Corporate Income Tax rate will be tied with British Columbia for the lowest in Canada, and will be one percentage point lower than Alberta's rate.

Shifting tax away from income through lower personal and corporate income tax rates, and onto consumption through an expanded PST, encourages productivity and keeps our economy strong.

The Manufacturing and Processing Profits Tax Reduction is being maintained, meaning that Saskatchewan's effective Corporate Income Tax rate on eligible manufacturing and processing income can be as low as 9% — the lowest tax rate on manufacturing and processing in the country.

Saskatchewan is known for growing, making and mining what the world needs. And our manufacturing and resource sectors are contributing to strong wholesale trade growth. The sustained growth of Saskatchewan's wholesale trade – second best in the nation – is attracting investments and new opportunities and highlights continued confidence in the province's economy.

Blessed with an abundance of beauty and natural resources, Saskatchewan is a great province and is part of what makes Canada a great country.

Saskatchewan people are proud members of the Canadian family who enjoy the freedom, quality of life and opportunity to live a life of our choosing. As we celebrated Canada 150 with family and friends, it was great to reflect on how fortunate we are to call Canada and Saskatchewan home.

Check out our Provincial Parks! Each provincial park will be celebrating in their own way. For more information activities in specific parks, visit www.saskparks.net. To continue the celebration this summer, Saskatchewan provincial parks will also offer free entry on Canada's Parks Day, July 15.

SOCCKER DAY IN SASKATCHEWAN - WORLD CLASS SOCCER
TALENT COMING TO NEW MOSAIC STADIUM



I was pleased to join City of Regina Mayor Michael Fougere and John Graham, President of On Ice Management at last week's announcement of the international soccer game that is coming to our province. On Ice Management Group Inc. is bringing Regina's first-ever international soccer friendly to new Mosaic Stadium on Saturday, July 22, 2017, when the New York Cosmos will host Valencia CF.

On behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, I congratulate John Graham and On Ice Management Inc. on their work to bring an event of this magnitude to the City of Regina and to our province. When the plans for the new stadium were being developed, we wanted a facility that was world-class and multi-sport; new Mosaic Stadium offers that, as this match between Valencia CF and the New York Cosmos proves.

John Graham, President of On Ice, who has been staging NHL exhibition games in Saskatchewan over the past 10 years is looking forward to a successful event, and the opportunity to showcase this beautiful, new facility. He said it is great to bring this international event to Regina,

Regina and the province of Saskatchewan has a growing community of soccer fans, and the popularity of the sport continues to rise. Both international teams are looking forward to visiting the Queen City and entertaining fans in the new stadium. Tickets are on sale now through ticketmaster.ca and the Brandt Centre Box Office (306-781-9300). Prices range from \$22 to \$66 plus applicable fees.

Confessions of a Dancer

Presented by



We have a confession to make...



Join us

July 15th @ 7:30pm & July 16th @ 2:00pm

Tickets:
persephonetheatre.org
306-384-7727

Adults: \$30
Seniors/Students: \$25
Children: \$10

Backstage Stage
Remai Arts Centre Saskatoon
100 Spadina Cres E

"Have you ever seen dance on stage? It is a beautiful work of art created with powerful movements, dazzling costumes and the elegant poise. And the dancer who is performing makes it look so effortless and easy, right? Well, we have a confession to make..."

We've had LOTS of moments where moves seemed unattainable, sewing costumes pushed our time management to the limits and elegant poise was replaced with an 'oops-I-missed-my-cue' face.

Come and join DancEgypt and hear the stories of our dancers' journeys to the stage. You'll hear heartwarming moments from the dance studio and tales of backstage debauchery (you've always wondered what goes on behind the scenes, right?) and of course we will share with you many beautiful dances that have inspired us throughout our journey."

Click [here](#) for additional information.

TOURING THE SOUND STAGE IN REGINA!



As Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, I had the opportunity to meet many interesting and talented individuals as I toured the sound stage in Regina.

Creative Saskatchewan recently announced its investment in the production of *SuperGrid*, a new feature film produced by Hugh Patterson. Patterson successfully applied to Creative Saskatchewan's Screen-Based Media Production Grant. Creative Saskatchewan's investment means cameras are rolling in Saskatchewan right now.

As *SuperGrid* films in Saskatchewan, it is expected to spend approximately one million dollars in Saskatchewan businesses and on salaries for Saskatchewan workers. In addition to investing in production, Creative Saskatchewan also supported *SuperGrid* at its earliest stage by sponsoring a seat in the [National Screen Institute's Features-First Program](#), where Patterson developed the project. *SuperGrid* tells the story of a young smuggler who is forced to make a run on the road that took the life of his younger sister.

Creative Saskatchewan is proud to support Saskatchewan filmmakers through all stages of feature filmmaking, from development through production to post-production and marketing. Special thanks for the fantastic tour!

NO LICENCE NEEDED ON SASKATCHEWAN'S FREE FISHING WEEKEND, JULY 8 AND 9



Saskatchewan's annual summer free fishing weekend is July 8 and 9. Since 1989, one weekend is designated each summer when residents and visitors may fish in any of Saskatchewan's public waters open to sport fishing without purchasing a fishing licence.

"Sport fishing is one of many outdoor activities that Saskatchewan has to offer," Environment Minister Scott Moe said. "This weekend is an excellent opportunity for people of all ages to enjoy the sport of fishing and to recognize the importance of our fish and aquatic resources."

Read more [here](#).

QUINN STEVENSON 4TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD AUGUST 12TH!



Immediately after Quinn's accident, his family set up an account to receive donations towards a scholarship to be awarded at Centennial Collegiate in Quinn's name. Everyone showed overwhelming support in memory of Quinn and his family knew that they had to find a way to give back considering the tremendous financial support we received for the scholarship. They proceeded to set up The Quinn Stevenson Memorial Scholarship at Centennial Collegiate. This legacy scholarship fund was trusted to the Saskatoon Community Foundation to administer. The \$1,500.00 scholarship is one way for us to give back to future students that encapsulated what Quinn was about at a school that was a very important part of his life. The scholarship has allowed us to honor Quinn's life and keep his memories alive forever.

Thousands of dollars have been raised for numerous projects over the past few years that support causes and benefit so many people in our community.

Following the tragic loss of Quinn, we will help remember his bright personality, his love for sports and community will live through the Scholarship and the activities of the Trust. Quinn had his life mapped

out, and he was focused and determined to achieve his life goals. His family hopes the Scholarship and The Trust will help other young people to achieve their dreams and goals.

Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause. To register online go to <https://goo.gl/hXdy8W> . There are also great sponsorship opportunities open for this event. If you interested or if you require information contact Darrin or Shelley Johnson 934-9157, or email: qs16golf@gmail.com.

HANDS ON GOLF TOURNAMENT THURSDAY, JULY 27TH!



Its Golf Tournament Time! HandsOn Outreach & Development Centre Inc. is hosting their 5th Annual Golf Tournament at The Dakota Dune GolfLinks Thursday, July 27th. Keynote Speaker will be Rick Langlais, Hands On Founder and CEO. Please consider supporting this tournament that raises funds to serve Saskatoon's inner city youth and children. For information or to register, please click [here](#).

SOME INFORMATION ON HEALTH IN OUR PROVINCE - DID YOU KNOW?



Our government has invested in health care infrastructure for projects such as:

- o Children's Hospital*
 - o 15 new LTC Facilities*
 - o Moose Jaw Hospital*
 - o Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford*
- There are now 750 more doctors and over 3,000 more nurses of all designations in Saskatchewan*
- Brought STARS helicopter air ambulance service to Saskatchewan*

NEW EXHIBIT AT ROYAL SASKATCHEWAN MUSEUM OPENED CANADA DAY



A brand new exhibit, 150 for 150, is opening July 1, 2017 at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum (RSM).

Museums like the RSM collect and study specimens to better understand the life around us and to preserve them for generations to come. 150 for 150 recognizes the 150th year of Confederation by displaying 150 items from the provincial natural history and fossil collections. With more than 54,000 fossils, and 185,000 plants, animals and fungi to choose from, curators selected 150 species for guests to see up close.

“The Royal Saskatchewan Museum staff have brought to life an exhibit that tells a Saskatchewan and Canadian story,” Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff said. “Featuring specimens from the caribou to the Saskatoon berry to the tooth of a Tyrannosaurus rex, this exhibit will educate and inspire. 150 for 150 is sure to be a great experience for all visitors.” Read more [here](#).

CUTTING TAXES TO SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH

Starting this month, all Saskatchewan residents who pay income tax will be paying less, and Saskatchewan people with lower incomes will receive a boost in their tax credit amounts. As announced in the 2017-18 Budget, Saskatchewan Personal Income Tax rates will drop by half a percentage point effective July 1.

“Lowering Personal Income Tax rates supports our government’s growth agenda and also improves

Saskatchewan's tax competitiveness," Finance Minister Kevin Doherty said. "Shifting tax away from income through lower personal and corporate income tax rates, and onto consumption through an expanded Provincial Sales Tax (PST), encourages productivity and keeps our province's economy strong."

[Read the news release here.](#)

STUDENTS CAN NOW APPLY FOR THE 2017-18 STUDENT LOAN YEAR

The 2017-18 student loan year is underway and students can now submit their applications for student financial assistance for academic programs beginning on or after August 1, 2017.

As part of Budget 2017, changes were made to the Canada-Saskatchewan Integrated Loan Program to better target assistance to students with the greatest financial need.

These include:

- Consolidating existing grants and bursaries into an up-front grant of up to \$1,000.
- Simplifying student loan contributions by setting a fixed-rate contribution between \$1,500-\$3,000.

These changes provide for predictable levels of funding for low-income students and makes financial assistance more transparent and understandable.

"Our government is committed to helping students access post-secondary education through a variety of support programs and services," Advanced Education Minister Bronwyn Eyre said. "The changes to the Saskatchewan Student Loan program are part of government's efforts to continue to improve publically-funded programs and will help ensure post-secondary education remains affordable for students."

Learn more [here](#).

CANADA 150 LEGACY MONUMENT COMING TO SASKATCHEWAN



Saskatchewan will become the permanent home of one of 13 unique works of art representing Canadian provinces and territories that have been created in celebration of Canada’s 150th anniversary. The exhibit of larger-than-life artistic horticulture structures, covered in live plants and flowers, are part of a larger Canada 150 exhibition that opens July 1 at Jacques Cartier Park in Gatineau, Quebec.

The Saskatchewan-themed work of art is a depiction of a Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Officer dressed in Red Serge, on a horse. The structures were designed to reflect the values, culture and arts associated with each Canadian province and territory.

“This art work is an ideal representation for Saskatchewan and a creative way to celebrate an important milestone in our country’s history,” Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Christine Tell said. “The symbolic nature of the art illustrates the important role the RCMP has played in the growth and history of Canada and our province.”

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



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[#SLOWDOWN, SASKATCHEWAN! MOTORISTS REMINDED TO OBEY SPEED LIMITS IN WORK ZONES](#)

[PROVINCE PROCLAIMS SASKATCHEWAN COMMERCIAL INNOVATION INCENTIVE ACT](#)

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What's Happening

2nd Avenue Sidewalk Sale

When: July 6 - 8

Where: 2nd Ave from 20th to 23rd Streets & 21st Street between 1st & 2nd Ave



Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan

When: now through August 20

Where: Big white tents off Spadina Crescent



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.....](https://www.registrationlogic.com/secure/Register.aspx...)

or in person 8:30 Willowgrove school.



A Taste of Saskatchewan

When: July 11-16

Where: Kiwanis Park, 601 Spadina Cres. E

Click [here](#) for schedules



Original 16 Country Concert Series at Rock Creek

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.

SASKO MUSIC Rock Creek TAP AND GRILL GREAT WESTERN BEERINGS ORIGINAL 16 Retash Cup COUNTRY MUSIC WEEK

Hands On Outreach Golf Tournament

When: Thursday, July 27

Where: The Dakota Dunes Golf Links

Reservations 306.653.4182 or info@handsonoutreach.ca

THURSDAY JULY 27 | DAKOTA DUNES

Hands On
 Outreach & Development Centre Inc.

Fifth Annual Golf Tournament

RESERVATIONS 306-653-4182 OR info@handsonoutreach.ca

Canadian Country Music Association Awards

When: September 10

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



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

TODAY
is the day to
learn something
NEW

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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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