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Provincial Point of View

March 23, 2018



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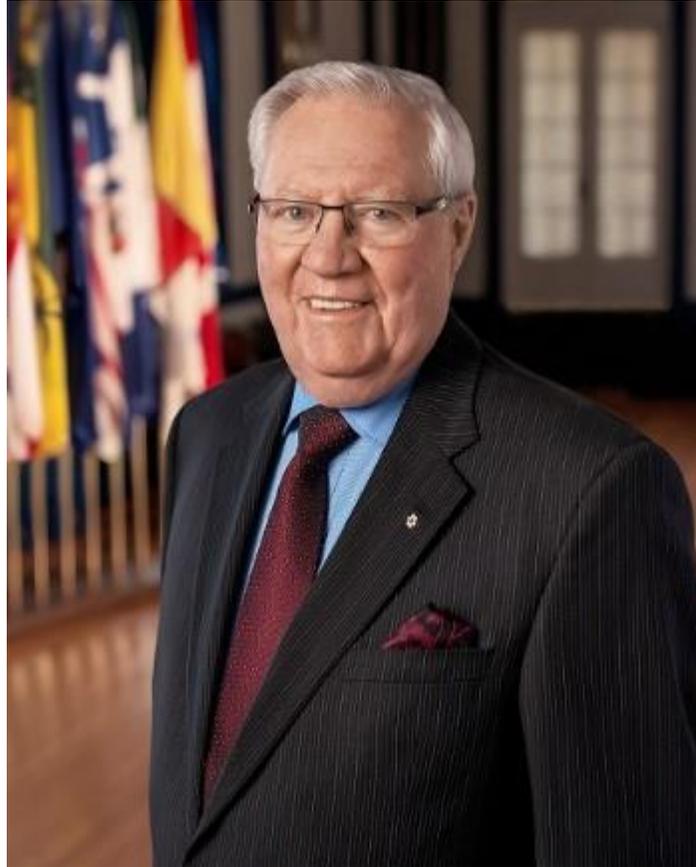


You are cordially invited to be present in the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Chamber for the presentation of the Budget Address by the Honourable Donna Harpauer, Minister of Finance.

Please contact our office at ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net if you are interested in attending the Budget Address at 1:30 pm on Tuesday, April 10th. I have a limited number of tickets available. My constituency assistant will confirm your request. Guests are asked to be seated no later than 1:00 pm. Seating is on a first-come, first served basis. A tea will follow the Budget Address.

I look forward to seeing you!

**W. THOMAS MOLLOY BECOMES PROVINCE'S 22ND
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**



W. Thomas Molloy was officially installed as the 22nd Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan March 21st.

Molloy swore his oath of office before Chief Justice Robert G. Richards during a ceremony in the Legislative Chamber. He was then proclaimed Lieutenant Governor by Premier Scott Moe.

“Saskatchewan’s Lieutenant Governors have always exemplified service to our people,” Moe said. “Looking at the impact of Thomas’ life work to our province, our nation, and more specifically to Indigenous peoples across our country, I am confident he will continue with that tradition. On behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, I offer him my sincere congratulations and welcome him to this role.”

The installation ceremony was followed by the inspection of a military honour guard by the Lieutenant Governor, a 15 gun salute, fired by 10 Field Regiment of 38 Canadian Brigade Group, as well as a fly by from 15 Wing Moose Jaw.

As Lieutenant Governor, Molloy is the personal representative of Her Majesty the Queen of Canada in the province, and is responsible for granting Royal Assent to provincial laws, as well

as summoning and dissolving the provincial legislature.

Under the Canadian Constitution, lieutenant governors are appointed by the federal government for a minimum of five years; however, there is no fixed term of office.

PREMIER SCOTT MOE OFF TO A STRONG START!



Our new Premier is off to a strong start. A new Angus Reid poll shows Scott Moe is the most popular Premier in Canada!

ANOTHER ALL-TIME POPULATION RECORD

Population was estimated to be 1,169,752 as of January 1, 2018, up 13,410 people from January 2017, another all-time record.

There were 1,695 more people living in Saskatchewan in the fourth quarter of 2017, continuing the trend of population increases. Between October 1, 2017 and January 1, 2018, international

migration was up by 2,272. Natural increases (births over deaths) were up 1,203 over this period.

“This is the 47th consecutive quarter that Saskatchewan has had a quarterly population increase,” Immigration and Career Training Minister Jeremy Harrison said. “There is a correlation between the abundance of job and business opportunities in Saskatchewan and people making the decision to settle here.”

International migration was up 14,836, and natural increases were up 6,033 over the year.

“Record population numbers are good news for our economy,” Harrison said. “It shows we are a destination of choice, especially for international migration, which helps meet some of the needs of our labour market.”

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES SASKATCHEWAN VOLUNTEER MEDAL RECIPIENTS



March 22, Lieutenant Governor W. Thomas Molloy announced the recipients of the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal.

The medals will be presented to 10 of the province’s most dedicated volunteers at a ceremony during National Volunteer Week, April 15-21, 2018.

“The men and women who will receive the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal are an example to us

all,” Molloy said. “Through their generosity of spirit, they are making Saskatchewan a better place. I congratulate all of the 2017 recipients on receiving this honour as some of Saskatchewan’s best volunteers.”

Click [here](#) to see the recipients of the 2017 Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal.

Did you know? Since its establishment, the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal has been awarded to 194 deserving citizens.

GOVERNMENTS OF CANADA AND SASKATCHEWAN ARE IMPROVING QUALITY, ACCESSIBILITY AND AFFORDABILITY OF EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE FOR FAMILIES

Investing in the Early Years

The Government of Canada is investing over \$41M in Saskatchewan's Early Years over the next three years

- \$20M to develop 2,450 new affordable licensed child care spaces
- \$12M to pilot early learning opportunities for children requiring intensive supports
- \$8M to provide training, new equipment grants and literacy programming to improve the quality of child care
- \$1M to develop 65 Francophone child care spaces

saskatchewan.ca Student First Government of Saskatchewan

The Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan are making significant investments in early learning and child care systems to help children be safe and healthy and develop to their full

potential in strong families and supportive communities.

Ralph Goodale, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, on behalf of Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, and Education Minister Gordon Wyant, announced a three-year bilateral agreement that reaffirms their commitment to and support of the unique early learning and child care needs of Saskatchewan families, such as increasing demand for affordable and quality child care spaces, and opportunities for children with disabilities, newcomers to Canada and Francophone families.

“Nurturing a child’s potential starts in the earliest years of their life,” Wyant said. “When children have quality early learning experiences, they develop a foundation for education, leading to more success in school and far beyond. Today’s investment in early learning and child care will support our ongoing work to see every child in our province get the start in life they deserve. I look forward to seeing these investments make a difference in the lives of Saskatchewan children and their families.”

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

PROVINCIAL FUNDING PROVIDED TO ADDRESS GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY

Research to tackle global food security received a major boost in the province today, as the Government of Saskatchewan announced \$800,000 in funding for state-of-the-art equipment in a new Roots of Food Security research facility at the University of Saskatchewan (U of S).

The money will be provided by Innovation Saskatchewan, through its Innovation and Science Fund. The facility, located on the U of S campus, supports the school’s Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Food Systems and Security research program.

The program is led by internationally recognized plant scientist Leon Kochian, a faculty member in plant and soil science at the U of S College of Agriculture and BioResources. Kochian is also Associate Director of the Global Institute for Food Security, established in 2012 by PotashCorp (now Nutrien), the Government of Saskatchewan and the U of S.

“Saskatchewan has a proud legacy of ground-breaking research, discovery and leadership in plant science, and innovation,” Minister Responsible for Innovation Saskatchewan Tina Beaudry-Mellor said. “This investment will help us push the boundaries of science even further, and will provide knowledge that will make a valuable contribution to global food security.”

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

SASKATCHEWAN REMAINS A MAJOR PLAYER IN AGRI-FOOD EXPORTS



Did you know Saskatchewan exported \$13.5 billion in agri-food exports in 2017? Read more about our province's agri-food exports. Saskatchewan continues to be one of Canada's leading agri-food exporters with sales of \$13.5 billion in 2017, the fourth largest total on record. Agri-food exports account for almost half of Saskatchewan's total exports and continue to be a cornerstone of the province's trade-based economy. Click [here](#) to read the story by Ashli Andres, Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture.

OUR GOVERNMENT WILL FIGHT FOR SASKATCHEWAN

We need pipelines for our oil



We need the train for our grain



Premier Scott Moe, "Saskatchewan producers need their grain on the train to get it to our customers around the world."

We're calling on the NDP to join us in taking a strong stand to support construction of new pipelines that will safely and efficiently get our energy products off rail and to market."

Saskatchewan Steel:

- 80% less emissions with electric arc furnace
- Employs 1000 families in Regina



Foreign Steel:

- Higher emissions with blast furnace
- Lost jobs for Saskatchewan people



Saskatchewan produces among the best and most environmentally sustainable steel in the world. Premier [Scott Moe](#) and our team will stand with the 1,000 families that are employed by Evraz Steel in Regina every chance we get.

**SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS - APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER
JOBS!**



Summer is coming! Apply now for summer jobs with the Government of Saskatchewan and spend your summer earning and getting job experience at the same time.

<http://www.careers.gov.sk.ca/studentjobs>

LES & IRENE DUBE GENEROUSLY DONATE \$1 MILLION TO THE SASKATCHEWAN HOSPITAL NORTH BATTLEFORD



Saskatoon residents, Les & Irene Dubé have made an incredible donation \$1 million to the Saskatchewan Hospital North Battleford. Supporting mental health services is important to their family. This generous contribution will help provide a warm and welcoming exterior corridor for the new Hospital that replaces the existing 105-year old facility. Click [here](#) to read the Global News article.

REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



There is new leadership in the legislature but the first few weeks of the Spring Sitting have revealed that some things never change.

At a time when our government is on track to balance the budget, the new leader of the NDP has put forward a new \$2.5 billion platform. Not only has the NDP endorsed a plan that would add \$2.5 billion in new spending every year, they have yet to unveil a realistic way to pay for their promises.

It is possible but unlikely that the NDP carbon tax plan for Saskatchewan could cover this kind of reckless spending.

The NDP's new leader has described our fight against the Trudeau carbon tax as a "costly and pointless crusade." What is "costly and pointless" is a carbon tax that will hurt the industries that drive our economy and make it harder to make ends meet while doing nothing to reduce global emissions.

Your Saskatchewan Party government won't wave the white flag and let Justin Trudeau, Ryan Meili, or anyone else force their costly carbon tax plans on our province. Our government will stand with Saskatchewan people, defend Saskatchewan's interests and fight the carbon tax.

Meanwhile our government remains actively engaged and is working with the federal government to resolve issues like the grain backlog – a major concern for all of Saskatchewan. The approval of the Trans Mountain Pipeline is a step toward reducing the amount of oil transported by rail, freeing up needed space for grain. We support the Alberta government's threat to turn off the taps to B.C. in an effort to overcome that government's delay tactics on the project.

A strong export-based economy requires strong trade relationships. India's High Commissioner to Canada recently visited our province, providing an opportunity for us to promote our top industries. Saskatchewan's trade with India has nearly doubled in the past decade. Maintaining a respectful and mutually beneficial relationship is important to allowing trade to continue to grow.

Additionally, our government has also offered the Prime Minister assistance to ensure our trading relationship with the United States remain strong. While the provincial and federal governments don't agree on everything, trade is a front where a united Canada is stronger than a divided one, especially with uncertainty over the renegotiation or cancellation of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

The continued focus on these important issues has allowed Saskatchewan to experience so

much positive growth in the past and will carry us into the future. RBC's Economic Outlook has upgraded Saskatchewan's growth forecast to 2.9% this year, the highest of any province in Canada.

While the leadership in the legislature has changed, the choice remains clear: our government's strong leadership, strong record of economic growth and our commitment to stand up and defend Saskatchewan's interests or the NDP's weak leadership, weak record on the economy and out-of-control spending.

MARCH 18 - 24 IS SOCIAL WORK WEEK IN SASKATCHEWAN



Saskatchewan has officially proclaimed March 18-24 as Social Work Week. The theme for this year's celebration is "Bringing Change to Life."

"Social work is a diverse profession serving diverse populations, and looks to address both individual challenges and broader social issues such as poverty and inequality," Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers President Ryan Labatt said. "This year's theme, 'Bringing Change to Life,' reflects the work of social workers in promoting and supporting change, not only with individuals and families, but also within communities and society."

Read the news release [here](#).

OPEN HOUSE MARCH 28TH

What do you want in your
new central library?

Have your say!

OPEN HOUSE: Mar 28 / 4–8 pm / Saskatoon Farmers' Market

Online Survey: saskatooncentrallibrary.ca

SPLCONNECTS



The Saskatoon Public Library has launched a consultation process to gather input from citizens regarding what they would like to see in a new central library for Saskatoon.

Online survey that is currently open www.saskatooncentrallibrary.ca and the City is hosting an Open House March 28 / 4 – 8pm / Saskatoon Farmers' Market.

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LIVING
GREEN
EXPO
april 13-15, 2018

It's Easy Being Green. The Saskatchewan Living Green Expo is coming up April 13-15, 2018 at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. This trade show features the best sustainable products and services available around Saskatchewan.

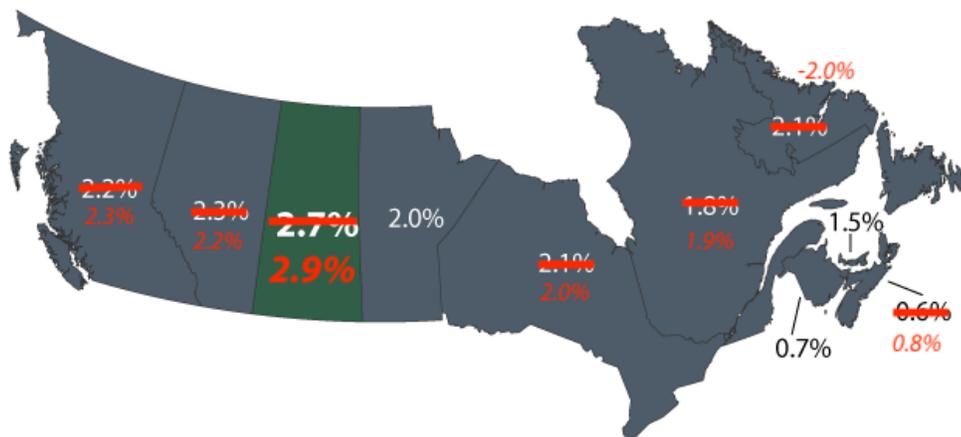
With help from a team of partners, including founding sponsor Affinity Credit Union (platinum sponsor), Vereco Homes and the City of Saskatoon (bronze sponsors), the Expo hosts a steady stream of visitors, who get to test ride a Tesla, zoom around on an electric bike, watch the eco-friendly fashion show, and so much more!

Exhibitors vary in the areas of energy & green building, eco-friendly transportation, sustainable lifestyles, and feature a series of informative presentations and workshops from experts in the field of sustainable working and living. Visit the Saskatchewan Living Green Expo website at www.skivinggreenexpo.ca

RBC ECONOMIC OUTLOOK - SASKATCHEWAN TO POST STRONGEST GROWTH IN CANADA FOR 2018

Economic Outlook by Province

Saskatchewan to post strongest growth in Canada for 2018



Source: RBC Economic Outlook, March 12, 2018

Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan's projected economic growth for 2018 has been **UPGRADED** to 2.9%, the highest growth in Canada. According to RBC, Saskatchewan will lead Canada in economic growth in 2018. Since 2007, 60,000 jobs have been created in our province.



Gardenscape

When: March 23 - 25

Where: Prairieland Park

Click [here](#) for details



North Saskatoon Business Association (NSBA) 21th Annual Business

Builder Awards - Building Bridges to Success!

When: March 28, 5 - 9 pm

Where: Prairieland Park, Hall A

Click [here](#) for information and to register



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Children's Hospital Jeans & Jewels Gala

When: April 27th

Where: TCU Place

Click [here](#) for additional information



Saskatoon Evergreen Community Association Annual Spring Clean Up

When: Saturday, April 28

Where: Evergreen Square

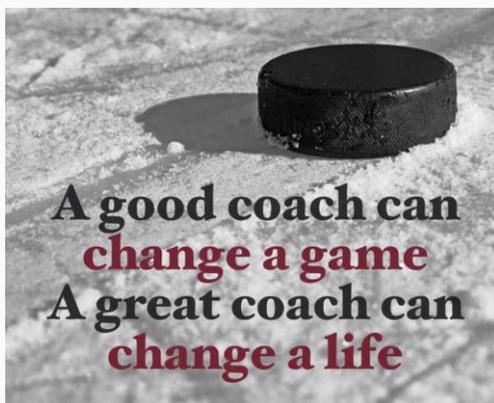
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I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency. Your phone

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.

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