

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



Provincial Point of View

November 15, 2017

IN MEMORY OF OUR FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE KEVIN PHILLIPS



Further to our special edition of Provincial Point of View sent yesterday, dedicated to our friend and colleague Kevin Phillips, I encourage you to click on the following link to watch the tribute in

the legislature in memory of Kevin:

<https://www.facebook.com/PremierBradWall/videos/10156139244169267/>

Premier Brad Wall, "Kevin Phillips was a great champion for the important cause of addressing domestic violence in Saskatchewan.

Every year, Kevin strutted in red high heels, supporting the "Walk a mile in her shoes" campaign to stop rape, sexual assault, and gender violence.

He was instrumental in working with local groups and community organizations to get a domestic violence shelter built in Melfort; the first one built in Saskatchewan since 1989.

Saskatchewan has lost an important advocate, a man of character and a valued family member in our party."

THE LARGEST INDOOR CEREMONY IN CANADA WAS HELD IN SASKATOON



I was honoured to lay a wreath on behalf of the constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove at the Remembrance Day Service in Saskatoon.

My family and I joined thousands at SaskTel Centre to remember those who sacrificed their lives for the freedom we in enjoy in Canada. Remembrance Day provides us with an opportunity to express our sincere gratitude and respect to those that have served and continue to serve.

FAMILY INFORMATION LIAISON UNIT NOW OPERATIONAL

The province's new Family Information Liaison Unit (FILU) is now open and providing services to families of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.

Funded through Justice Canada, FILU is a dedicated unit within the Ministry of Justice designed to connect families of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls with those

organizations who can provide information about their loved ones.

“We are pleased to provide this additional support for the families of our missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls,” Justice Minister and Attorney General Don Morgan said. “These families are experiencing a deep loss, and the assistance we can provide in navigating the legal system and multiple organizations who hold information will hopefully ease the stress of their situation.”

FILU will also work with families and communities to help them navigate the multiple sectors of the criminal justice system and other stakeholder agencies who hold the information about their loved ones.

The FILU can be reached at 902 - 1801 Hamilton Street Conexus Plaza REGINA, SK S4P 4B4, Toll Free Family Access Line at 1-833-529-6486 or email at FILU@gov.sk.ca.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - TIME FOR THE SANTA CLAUS DAY PARADE IN SASKATOON!



The countdown is on! Santa Claus will be riding through Saskatoon this Sunday (November 19th)! Mark your calendars, holiday lovers. This year's parade is an event you don't want to miss. I always enjoy participating in the annual Saskatoon Santa Claus Day Parade. The parade marks the beginning of the Christmas Season in Saskatoon with Santa Claus coming to town! I hope to

see you on the parade route. It is always so much fun to see excitement on the children's faces as they eagerly wait to see Santa Claus!

Ronald McDonald House (Saskatoon) best exemplifies the theme for this year's parade "Home for the Holidays" as they have opened their home providing much needed support for sick children and their families since 1985.

Please note that the parade route starts on 19th Street East adjacent to 3rd Avenue South. The route will proceed north along 3rd Avenue, turning at 21st Street. It will continue eastbound to 4th Avenue, then turning westbound down 22nd Street. At 1st Avenue, the parade will head to Midtown's main entrance where Santa will disembark and enter Midtown; signaling the start of the Christmas season! Arriving early to save your own prime parade viewing seats is recommended!

On Sunday November 19th 2017 at 1:00 pm I look forward to seeing you. Click [here](#) to see the parade route.

PROVINCE PROCLAIMS BULLYING AWARENESS WEEK

Speak Up Against Bullying
Dénoncez tout acte d'intimidation

- **Talk to a trusted adult**
Parlez à un adulte de confiance
- **Report online at iamstronger.ca**
Signalez au moyen du site iamstronger.ca
- **Call**
Appelez

Kids Help Phone
Jeunesse, J'écoute
1-800-668-6868

HealthLine 811
HEALTHLINEONLINE.CA

saskatchewan.ca

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Government of Saskatchewan

The poster features three photographs: a girl in a purple shirt talking to a boy in a 'NEW YORK' hoodie and a girl in a grey hoodie; a girl in a pink shirt sitting at a desk; and two boys looking at a book together.

The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed November 12-18, as Bullying Awareness Week in Saskatchewan. This year's theme is *Stand Up! (to bullying)*.

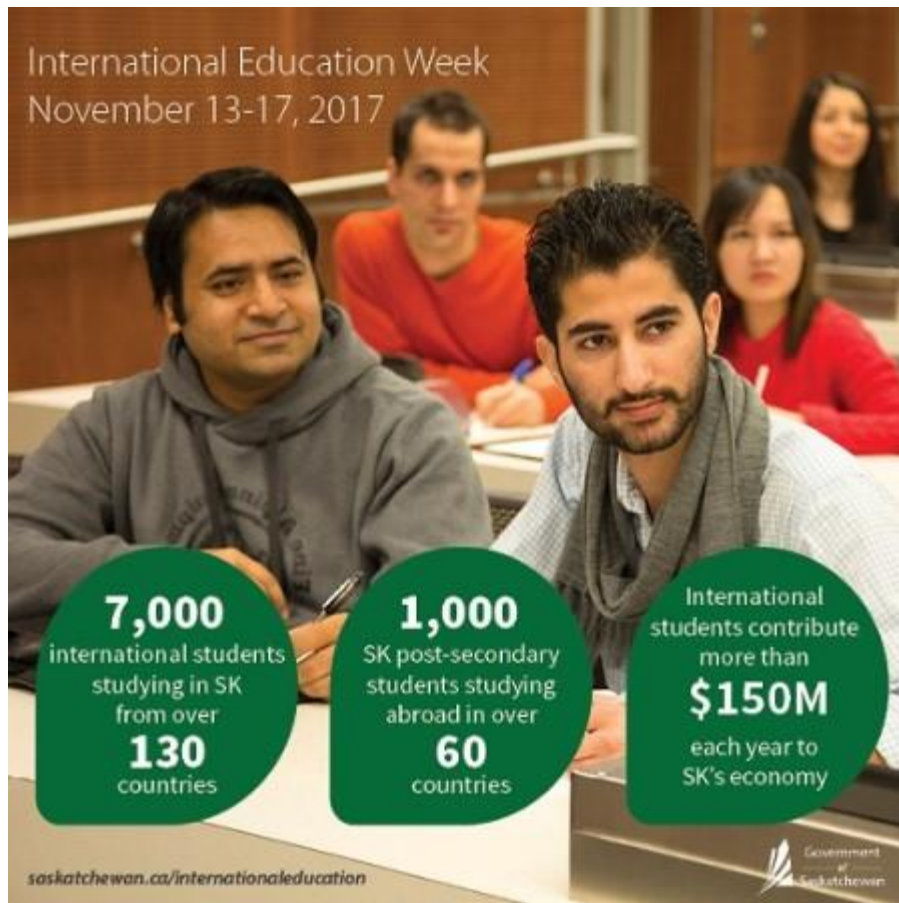
During Bullying Awareness Week students, school staff and parents are encouraged to learn more about the issues of bullying and work together to prevent it in communities and schools through education and awareness.

“It’s important for all of us in Saskatchewan to stand with those who experience bullying so they know they’re not alone,” Education Minister Bronwyn Eyre said. “Bullying Awareness Week serves as an important reminder that there are resources here in Saskatchewan to support children and youth.”

The Ministry of Education and SaskTel continue to work together through *I Am Stronger* on bullying and cyberbullying prevention. On the program’s website at <http://iamstronger.ca/>, students will find information on how they can get help. They can also anonymously report bullying online from a smartphone, tablet or computer. There are resources on bullying prevention for youth, families and educators.

To find out more about this important issue, click [here](#).

GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN CELEBRATES
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK



The Government of Saskatchewan is pleased to recognize International Education Week from November 13-17, 2017. International Education Week is celebrated in more than 100 countries and is dedicated to showcasing the impact that international education has on preparing students for the world.

“International study provides students with opportunities to develop new skills and learn about new languages, culture and traditions,” Advanced Education Minister Herb Cox said. “This week highlights the importance of international education and the contribution it makes to our students and our province.”

The Saskatchewan Plan for Growth identified international education as a cornerstone for the province’s immigration strategy. The Saskatchewan Post-Secondary International Education Strategy has three goals.

Read the entire news release [here](http://saskatchewan.ca/internationaleducation).

NOTWITHSTANDING CLAUSE INVOKED TO PROTECT PARENTS' AND STUDENTS' RIGHTS

Released on November 8, 2017 The Government of Saskatchewan introduced legislation today, invoking the notwithstanding clause of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, to protect parents' choice in where they send their children to school.

The new legislation will maintain the current funding model that allows the government to fund students attending public or Catholic separate schools, regardless of their religious affiliation.

This legislation is in response to the April 2017, Court of Queen's Bench ruling that determined it is unconstitutional to fund non-Catholic students to attend Catholic separate schools. The court ruling is set to come into force on June 30, 2018, and would likely result in significant disruption to the education sector.

"The current system has served us well for more than 100 years, and parents and students wish to preserve it," Education Minister Bronwyn Eyre said. "This legislation will provide certainty for families so they can continue to attend Catholic separate schools." Continue reading [here](#).

STAY SAFE ON THE ICE THIS WINTER



With recent colder temperatures across the province, the Government of Saskatchewan is reminding people to check for safe and sufficient ice before venturing out for ice fishing or other winter activities.

Ice thickness depends on the waterbody and surrounding conditions. Ice does not freeze at a uniform thickness and ice strength can vary considerably from one area to another.

Check the ice thickness before you travel on it. There should be at least 10 cm (4 inches) of ice to walk on, 20 cm (8 inches) to drive a snowmobile or ATV on, 30 cm (12 inches) to drive a car or light truck on, and more than 30 cm (12 inches) to drive a heavy truck on.

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

RECIPIENTS OF THE PREMIER'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCED



Premier Brad Wall announced the individuals and teams that will receive awards for their outstanding contributions to the civil service.

The Premier's Award for Excellence in the Public Service has been recognizing exceptional work for 14 years. Honourable mentions are provided to third parties and private sector partners who

may have assisted team winners in their projects. This year, a new award for Emerging Leadership is also being introduced.

“Many achievements during the past decade of growth have been achieved with the help of our public service,” Wall said. “Saskatchewan is fortunate to have such dedicated public servants working for our communities. This year’s recipients exemplify those qualities.”

Read the news release [here](#).

CHARITABLE GAMING GRANT PROGRAM PAYS MORE THAN \$800,000

Saskatchewan groups and organizations are receiving more than \$800,000 from the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority (SLGA)’s charitable gaming grant program.

“The charitable gaming grant program provides a financial boost to community fundraising efforts across the province,” Minister responsible for SLGA Gene Makowsky said. “The work of charitable groups and organizations keeps our communities vibrant and, as a government, we are grateful for the difference these volunteers make in their communities and happy to lend a hand through this program.”

Among the grants provided by SLGA this quarter: Prince Albert and surrounding area received \$111,076; Weyburn/Estevan and surrounding area: \$55,869; Yorkton and surrounding area: \$52,379; Moose Jaw and surrounding area: \$50,970 and Swift Current and surrounding area: \$29,480.

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

RELATIONSHIP EMPHASIZED IN UPCOMING AGRICULTURE TRADE MISSION TO JAPAN



Saskatchewan Trade with Japan

- More than 99 per cent of Saskatchewan's exports to Japan are agri-food exports.
- In 2016, Japan was Saskatchewan's fourth largest market, with exports of \$976 million.
- Japan is Saskatchewan's largest market for non-durum wheat and fifth largest market for durum wheat.
- Japan is Saskatchewan's second largest market for canola seed exports.

Top exports to Japan:

Canola seed - \$642 million

Non-durum wheat - \$192 million

Durum wheat - \$67 million



Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart will be in Japan on a trade mission intended to help Saskatchewan companies maintain and strengthen critical relationships while positioning the province as a reliable and quality supplier of food and agriculture products.

While in Japan from November 11-17, Stewart will bring opening remarks to the Team Canada New Crop seminar and the Canola Council of Canada (CCC) consultations in Tokyo, where he will emphasize the importance of the relationship between Japan and Saskatchewan, as well as the province's role as a global leader in agriculture.

Read more about this mission [here](#).

VETERANS AND FALLEN SOLDIERS, WAR NURSES HONOURED IN SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE



November 8th, Premier Brad Wall joined dignitaries and representatives of the provincial public service at the Legislative Building to pay tribute to Saskatchewan’s veterans, those in the public service who have served, and those who gave their lives in times of conflict.

“Six-thousand, four hundred names are etched on the Saskatchewan War Memorial,” Wall said. “That is 6,400 men and women who never came home to their loved ones. We honour these men and women and those from across the country who have sacrificed for our freedom.”

The memorial lists the names of Saskatchewan's fallen in conflicts throughout the generations. There is also an online commemoration of those from Saskatchewan who lost their lives in war. The Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial features more than 11,000 war casualties and their stories.

Find out more by visiting www.svwm.ca/. Read the entire news release [here](#).

SASKATOON HILLTOPS CANADIAN BOWL CHAMPIONS!



I was pleased to rise in the legislature today to recognize the Saskatoon Hilltops for their outstanding achievement. We all take great pride in congratulating the players and coaching staff of the Saskatoon Hilltops! Wow! The Hilltops won their 20th Canadian Bowl Championship, and a fourpeat!

FESTIVAL OF WREATHS



The Saskatoon Council on Aging is hoping to raise funds to help support our programs and services. Preston Park Retirement Residence is excited to host the Festival of Wreaths November 21 -28, 2017. Adorn your door with one of our beautiful homemade wreaths! Proceeds will support the Saskatoon Council On Aging, a non profit organization dedicated to the promotion of dignity, health and independence of older adults. Preston Park is located at 114 Armistice Way.

[A week of holiday cheer to get you in the decorating spirit...](#)

Tuesday, November 21: Sneak Peak Open House and advance bidding begins, Chase the Ace Draw

Wednesday, November 22: DIY Wreath and Door Swag Design with professional designer

Thursday, November 23: Silver White Winters display

Friday, November 24: Door Bells and Sleigh Bells display with crisp apple strudel

Saturday, November 25: Holiday Door Swag Display

Sunday, November 26: Balloon Wreath Winning, pop for prizes

Monday, November 27: Wreath wrap up – last chance to pre-purchase your favorite wreath

Tuesday, November 28: Merry Mix & Mingler – Live auction, raffle, entertainment and more!

Do not miss the sneak peek preview open house on November 21, 2017 from 2:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m., providing attendees with the first opportunity to view this year's wreath designs, purchase or advance bid on your favorites, place your holiday wishes in the wishing well, enjoy cookies and sugar rimmed cocktails! Your invitation to the preview party is complimentary. Further information is available at the Preston Park Market Mall kiosk, The Saskatoon Council on Aging or

call us directly at 306-933-0515. Don't wait, RSVP preferred for any of the events and be inspired by creative door decor. Homemade baking will be served.

A GREAT TRIBUTE TO OUR TROOPS!



#DYK we have more than 2400 Veterans licence plates currently active? And over 1800 "Support Our Troops" plates? More info: <https://www.sgi.sk.ca/.../plates/specialtyplates/index.html>

ECONOMY MINISTER TRAVELS TO INDIA ON INVESTMENT MISSION

Saskatchewan's Economy Minister Steven Bonk will be in India during the coming week to strengthen the province's trade links with one of Asia's largest markets and one of the fastest-

growing economies in the world.

Bonk's trip, which takes place from November 11–17, involves meetings with a comprehensive range of Indian business interests either engaged in or considering economic activities and investments with Saskatchewan. These include the Indo-Canadian Business Chamber, the India Pulse and Grain Association, and various other investor groups and private sector companies.

“Any increase in our trade and exports to India reinforces our relationship with one of the world’s biggest customers of Saskatchewan-produced goods,” Bonk said. “Our Saskatchewan Plan for Growth includes the goal of doubling the value of our total exports by 2020, and India has a vital role in contributing to our achievement of that objective.”

Read more about the priorities of Minister Bonk's trip [here](#).

HUNTER FIRE SAFETY



Hunter Fire Safety

Conditions remain dry in many areas of the province and the potential risk of fires increase. With hunting season underway, hunters are reminded to take extra precautions.

Always be aware of current conditions in advance of any hunting trips, and get landowner permission to access private land.

saskatchewan.ca/hunting



Hunting is popular in Saskatchewan and busy seasons can affect hunters, landowners and the non-hunting public.

Remember to get landowner permission to access private land, even if it is not posted. Continued access to land depends on everyone's courtesy and respect.

Always practice safe firearm handling, obey the rules and be safe out there. Visit saskatchewan.ca/hunting for more information.

COMMUNITY FUTURES



Videos Wanted:
Share your business story for a chance to win cash and prizes!

VIDEO ENTRIES OPEN DEC. 4 - JAN. 23
Pictured above: Last year's winner Lucy Fousse of Lip Steps Miniatures and Wellness Farm - St. Malo, MB

Create a 3 minute video and upload to www.justwatchmecontest.ca

The Just Watch ME! video contest celebrates the business success of rural Manitoba and Saskatchewan entrepreneurs with disabilities or health conditions.

Follow us on:





I'm pleased to share information about Community Futures Saskatchewan. Community Futures has been in the business of encouraging and supporting our rural communities, our volunteers and our small business owners for more than 25 years. They know what it takes to start and grow a business and provide advice, business planning, and loans up to \$150,000. They will approach your idea in a way as individual as you are. I have been asked to share the poster above the information below:

1. Power of Video

- December 4th, 2017
- 10:00-12:00
- Frances Morrison Library
- Link to register: <https://storytellingevent.eventbrite.ca>
- Poster attached

- Just Watch ME! video contest
 - Visit www.justwatchmecontest.ca
 - Contest is for entrepreneurs with a disability or health condition running their business in a rural community
 - Business Profiles accepted now on the site

- Videos can be uploaded from December 4th- January 23rd

ENCHANTED FOREST OPENS THIS WEEKEND



Its that time of year again. Plan to get out to the Saskatoon Forestry Farm on Friday November 17th to see the BHP Enchanted Forest the night before it opens to vehicle traffic for our first [Saskatchewan Blue Cross Push2Play](#) "Light Walk"! Walk through the forest and enjoy all of the displays up close and personal! This is your chance to get photos by the displays and enjoy the Enchanted Forest in an experience like none other!

Enjoy a bonfire and hot chocolate to keep you warm at the Forestry Farm Hall.

Admission is \$5 per person or \$20/family.

Proceeds from the BHP Enchanted Forest go to the [Saskatoon City Hospital Foundation](#) and the [Saskatoon Zoo Foundation](#).

PLEASE PLAN A SAFE RIDE HOME!



INNOVATION SASKATCHEWAN HOSTS NETWORKING EVENT TO SPARK RESEARCH COLLABORATION IN HEALTH

Health researchers will come together on November 14 in the province's first SPARK Night, a networking and matchmaking event, to identify areas of collaboration and joint interest in their research. The event is organized and hosted by Innovation Saskatchewan, with sponsorships from the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation, VIDO-InterVac, the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation and the Canadian Light Source.

"The Government of Saskatchewan is very proud of the province's high-quality, world-class researchers and research institutes," Minister Responsible for Innovation Steven Bonk said. "We have a rich legacy of groundbreaking research and SPARK Night will help increase further partnerships by identifying common areas of interest and additional opportunities."

Bringing Innovation Saskatchewan's funded research institutes together for an interactive session, SPARK Night is designed to:

- Encourage collaborative research between Saskatchewan's universities and research institutes;
- Provide seed funding for eligible collaborative projects emerging from the event; and
- Create connections within Saskatchewan's academic community.

Click [here](#) to read the entire news release.

WINTER WEIGHTS BEGIN MIDNIGHT NOVEMBER 16

Released on November 15, 2017 Winter weights take effect at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, November 16 for all applicable provincial highways, with the exception of southwest Saskatchewan.

“With Saskatchewan’s export-based economy, trucking plays a major role in getting our goods to port,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister David Marit said. “Winter weights season allows shippers to haul heavier loads during colder winter months, resulting in fewer trips and cost savings for the industry.”

Read more [here](#).

COMING EVENTS

**IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO HIGHLIGHT
IN THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE LET US KNOW!**

Provincial Point of View is a great way to connect with our community. We appreciate the opportunity to share the successes we see in our constituency and highlight the many events happening in our community. If you have a suggestion for items you would like highlighted in this newsletter, please email: ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

mark your calendars

[Our Best To You Art & Craft Sale](#)

When: November 17 - 19 beginning at 1 pm

Where: Saskatoon Prairieland Park, Hall E

For more information, click [here](#)



[27th Annual Santa Claus Day Parade](#)

When: November 19

Where: Saskatoon's Central Business District

Click [here](#) for additional information and to see the parade route



[Switch Charity Breakfast](#)

When: November 22, 7 am - 8:30 am

Where: The Park Town Hotel, 924 Spadina Crescent E

Click [here](#) for details



[Festival of Trees](#)

When: Nov. 24 - December 2

Where: Western Development Museum

Click [here](#) for information



Favourite Things 2017

Friday, Nov, 24 - Saturday, Dec. 2
Western Development Museum



BHP Billiton Enchanted Forest Holiday Light Tour

When: November 18 - January 7

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park

Click [here](#) for details

November 18 - January 6 Nightly

A Saskatchewan Christmas Tradition for 19 Years

BHP
Enchanted Forest
HOLIDAY LIGHT TOUR

2017-2018
Saskatoon
Forestry Farm Park

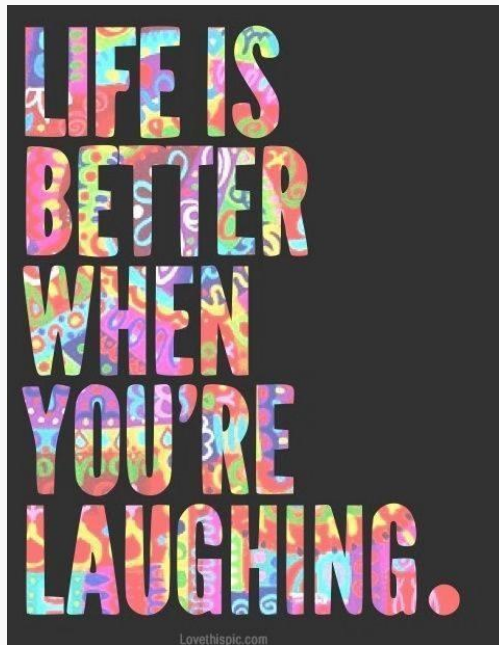
Featuring
the New
Grinch Display

Limited Light Displays now available for sponsorship
Website, phone or email
(306) 222-5392 or
email hvassos@sasktel.net
TODAY

This spot is being held for your event! Please let us know if you have an event you would like in our newsletter!

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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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