



## From a Provincial Point of View

March 31, 2011

### THE GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN, SASK POWER AND THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED FIRST NATIONS POWER AUTHORITY SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



Pictured are: Premier Wall, Minister Cheveldayoff, Minister Norris, Minister Boyd, Chief Lonechild, Tribal Chief Eric Sylvestre, Ben Voss and other representatives from SaskPower and Meadow Lake Tribal Council.

The Government of Saskatchewan, SaskPower and the newly established First Nations Power Authority have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will help the province's First Nations advance their power generation projects.

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## **NORTH SASKATOON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION AWARDS**



Jay Stark, Shane Olsen, Ken

It was a fantastic evening last night at TCU Place. The North Saskatoon Business Association's held their Annual Business Builder Awards. The event honoured and celebrated the success, leadership and ingenuity of companies ranging from the younger end of the spectrum to those on the more experienced side.

I was joined by colleagues, Minister Don Morgan, Minister Rob Norris and Minister Jeremy Harrison. We were all honoured to have the opportunity to be present to witness the success

of this event and congratulate the worthy recipients.

Congratulations to Saskatoon Silver Springs constituents Jay Stark and Shane Olsen.

Jay works with Sutton Financial Group, a local full service wealth management firm that specializes in the creation of personal financial strategies for professions and business owners. Sutton Financial Group was awarded the Management Quality Award that recognizes and pursues activities which define, promote and inspire quality values.

Shane is with Shercom Industries Inc. Since its inception in 1993, Shercom has become a world-class tire recycler, collecting and processing rubber tires and manufacturing high quality end-use recycled rubber products. Shercom Industries won the Green Award, awarded to a business that demonstrates a clear commitment to operating an environmentally friendly and sustainable manner.

## **TIM MARSHALL RETIRES FOLLOWING AN OUTSTANDING CAREER**



I was among the many people who attended a retirement reception in honour of Tim Marshall. Tim began his career with the government of Saskatchewan in 1986 and will certainly be missed by many people, not only in Saskatchewan but around the world.

It was a privilege to work with Tim during my time with Saskatchewan Trade and Export Partnership. Tim joined STEP at its inception in 1996. Since our trade mission to Kazakhstan a few years ago, every time Tim's name comes up I have referred to him as an unsung hero for our province.

Tim's contributions have made STEP an invaluable tool for Saskatchewan exporters.

It was indeed a pleasure, on behalf of Premier Brad Wall, and the Government to thank Tim for making this province a better place.

## **2011 FORD WORLD MEN'S CURLING CHAMPIONSHIP**



Presenting \$50,000 chip

Saskatchewan is gearing up for another major curling event! The Ford World Men's Championship is set to take place in Regina from April 2 – 10.

I had the pleasure, as Minister Responsible for Sask Gaming to make a \$50,000 commitment from Casino's Regina and Moose Jaw to help organizers with the Ford World Men's Curling Championship.

The crews were working feverishly to

transfer the Brandt Centre before the games get underway this weekend. I'm sure the stands will be filled to capacity with fans coming in droves given the recent success of Saskatchewan curlers. I urge you take advantage of this world class event at the Brandt Centre in Regina.

On behalf of Sask Gaming, we are proud to contribute to the success of a world-class event, one that will bring thousands of visitors to our province. We are also proud to support the organizers and volunteers who are working very hard to ensure the best experience possible for the competitors and fans in attendance.

It is a great pleasure as well to congratulate the Amber Holland team from Kronau, who represented Canada at the Women's World Championships in Esbjerg, Denmark and brought home silver medals to Saskatchewan!

## **ANOTHER SIGN OF A GROWING PROVINCE: SASKATCHEWAN NEEDS A NEW AREA CODE !**

SaskTel Minister Bill Boyd today announced that the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CAN) which assigns phone number blocks and area codes in the country has advised that Saskatchewan is running out of 306 phone number blocks and will need to add a new area code. This is a result of our growing population, an explosion of cellphone numbers and more competitive carriers operating in Saskatchewan. The CAN has indicated Saskatchewan's 306 area code is expected to exhaust its supply of telephone numbers by May 2013.

My colleague, Minister Boyd, explained this is one more sign of the tremendous growth our province is now enjoying. As prosperity brings more people and more companies to Saskatchewan, the province is committed to changing and keeping pace with our new realities.

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## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**

A wise person learns from every source.

## **IN THE HEADLINES – [www.gov.sk.ca/news](http://www.gov.sk.ca/news)**

Mar. 31, 2011 - [SASKATCHEWAN AVERAGE EARNINGS RANK THIRD IN CANADA](#)

Mar. 31, 2011 - [GOVERNMENT RELEASES REPORT ON INDEXING MINIMUM WAGE](#)

Mar. 31, 2011 - [TOBACCO TO NO LONGER BE SOLD IN PHARMACIES BEGINNING APRIL 1](#)

Mar. 30, 2011 - [GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES ENHANCED PDAP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE](#)

Mar. 29, 2011 - [NEW POWER PARTNERSHIP TO STIMULATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR FIRST NATIONS](#)

Mar. 28, 2011 - [MINISTER DRAUDE ANNOUNCES AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLAN](#)

Mar. 28, 2011 - [DO NOT PRUNE ELM TREES FROM APRIL 1 TO AUGUST 31](#)

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## **Did You Know???**

- The Canadian Light Source Synchrotron was used to produce more than 100 scientific publications in 2010.
- Saskatoon has over 300 acres of breathtaking riverbank parks.

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