

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



Provincial Point of View

May 27, 2016

**EACCA NEIGHBOURHOOD
CLEAN UP DAY TOMORROW!**

FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL FUNDING FOR NEW INTERCHANGE AT BOYCHUK DRIVE AND HIGHWAY 16 WILL EASE CONGESTION AND IMPROVE SAFETY IN SASKATOON

Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, and Government Relations Minister Jim Reiter May 26 announced funding for a new interchange at Boychuk Drive and Highway 16 in Saskatoon. Saskatoon Mayor Donald Atchison also participated in the announcement.

“Traffic congestion and gridlock costs Canada’s economy billions of dollars in lost productivity each year, damages our environment, and makes it harder for people to get to work and for families to spend time together,” said Sohi. “The new interchange will improve traffic flow in the area and increase safety for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians alike.”

“Our government is proud to have invested more than \$14 million toward this project that will help improve traffic flow for the City of Saskatoon’s road system,” Reiter said. “Projects like this help keep Saskatchewan strong by encouraging local economic growth, while also making travel safer and more convenient for the people of Saskatoon.”

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

ZACH JEFFRIES WARD 10 ERINDALE & ARBOR CREEK TOWN HALL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 31



I encourage you to attend the Ward 10 City Councillor Zach Jeffries Erindale and Arbor Creek Town Hall Meeting. The meetings will be held Tuesday, May 31 at Dr. John G. Egnatoff School Library, 225 Kenderdine Road. A coffee meet and greet will begin at 6:30, followed by the town hall meeting beginning at 7:00 pm.

Refreshments and snacks will be served.

These meetings are a great opportunity to visit your neighbours and learn about what's going on with the New North Bridge, Attridge and Central intersection improvements, the City growth plan, pedestrian safety, budgets, and more. The meeting is all about getting answers to your questions. Click [here](#) for more information.

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE BUDGET ADDRESS JUNE 1, 2016

There is still time to get your ticket to attend the Budget Address. Please let me know if you are able to join us as The Honourable Kevin Doherty, Minister of Finance delivers the 2016 - 2017 Budget Address in the Legislative Assembly Chamber at 1:30 p.m., June 1, 2016. To reserve your spot for the Budget Address, email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net or call my MLA office 306.651.7100 as soon as possible. You will receive confirmation once your email is received. I have a limited number of tickets available.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SASKTOON WILLOWGROVE CONSTITUENT MACKENZIE FIRBY



It has been an exciting few weeks for Saskatoon Willowgrove constituent Mackenzie Firby. Mackenzie is the owner of Two Fifty Two Boutique and was the recipient at the 2016 SABEX Awards for Customer Service! The 21st annual SABEX event, which celebrates the achievements of local businesses and their owners was again an outstanding success. Congratulations to all nominees and recipients of the SABEX Awards!

Mackenzie was also nominated in the Entrepreneurship Category at the Women of Distinction Awards held last evening. Its just great to see what Mackenzie has accomplished. Congratulations to Mackenzie and to all of the YWCA Women of Distinction recipients!

PILOT PROGRAM IMPROVES SUPPORT FOR BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

HealthLine 811, in partnership with Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region and the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, has launched a new initiative for breast cancer patients in Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region.

The Breast Cancer Lymphedema Pilot Program is now available to women and men who have undergone surgery or treatment as a result of breast cancer. The goal of this pilot is to increase patients' awareness of lymphedema and help prevent or minimize the complications associated with the condition.

"Lymphedema can have a devastating, lifelong impact if it's not detected and treated early," Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. "The Breast Cancer Lymphedema Pilot Program is a valuable resource that helps educate patients about the condition and improves access to services."

Read more about this innovative program [here](#).

FIRST HOME PLAN OPEN FOR APPLICATION



Our office has received inquiries regarding the First Home Plan that was announced prior to the Provincial Election. Many will be pleased to see this plan is now open for application.

The Government of Saskatchewan is now taking applications for First Home Plan. This new initiative allows eligible post-secondary graduates to borrow up to \$10,000 of their unused Graduate Retention Program (GRP) tax credits to put toward the down payment on their first home. The plan will help recent graduates who have the income to qualify for a mortgage, but may be having challenges saving for a down payment.

“The Graduate Retention Program First Home Plan supports our government’s election commitment to make Saskatchewan the best place in Canada to go to school, find a job, buy a home and start a family,” Social Services Minister and Minister responsible for Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Donna Harpauer said. “This plan will also help support Saskatchewan employers to recruitment graduates from both in and out of province.”

“Our government is committed to ensuring young people have the opportunity to build a career in our province,” Advanced Education Minister Scott Moe said. “The Graduate Retention Program has benefitted tens of thousands of graduates and now the First Home Program allows them to achieve another milestone with home ownership.

Click [here](#) to find out more information.

PREMIER NAMES NEW DEPUTY MINISTER



Alanna Koch Will Be First Woman to Serve as Province’s Top Public Servant

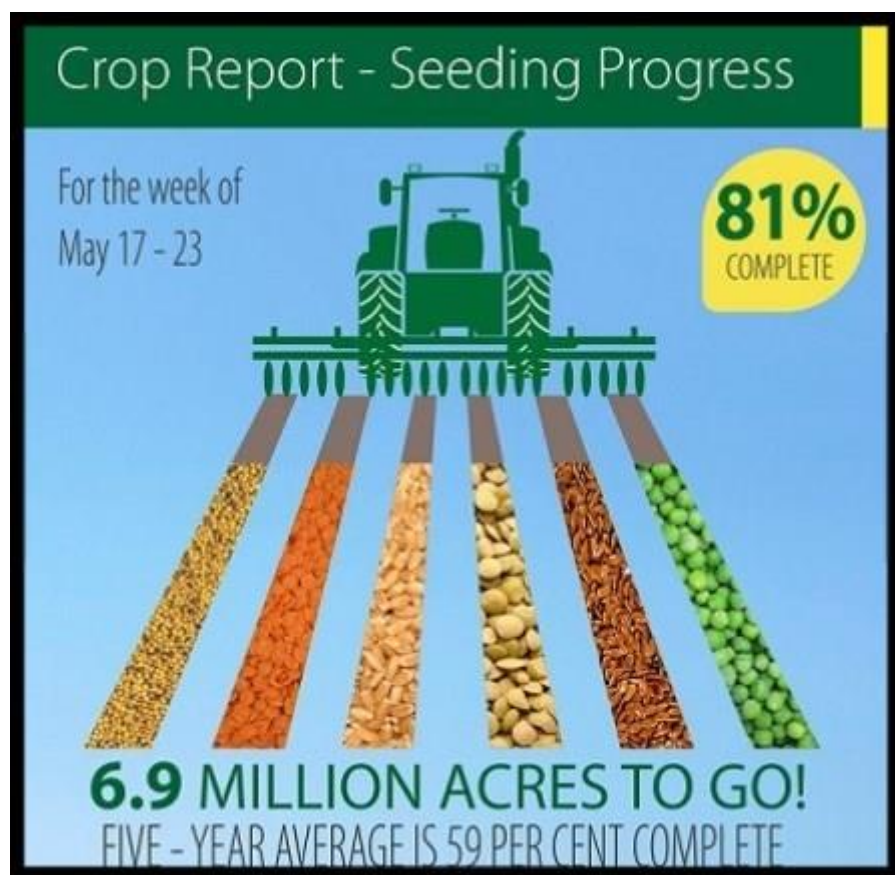
Premier Brad Wall May 26 announced that Alanna Koch will be the new Deputy Minister to the Premier, replacing Doug Moen who is leaving that position at the end of June.

Koch has served as Deputy Minister of Agriculture since 2007. Prior to that, she held various senior positions in the agriculture industry, including President of the Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance and Executive Director of the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association. Koch and

her husband also farm near Edenwold, northeast of Regina.

“Alanna Koch has shown tremendous leadership over the past eight years as Deputy Minister of Agriculture, as our agriculture industry has grown and advanced as one of the main drivers of Saskatchewan’s economy,” Wall said. “She is well-respected by both the public service and by elected officials and I look forward to working with her to advance our government’s growth agenda and keep Saskatchewan strong.”

Koch will be the first woman to serve as Deputy Minister to the Premier in Saskatchewan. Her appointment is effective July 1.



ERINDALE ARBOR CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION **NEIGHBOURHOOD CLEAN UP TOMORROW, MAY 28**

Please join the EACCA for a general clean-up of our neighborhood parks and green spaces. Bring the family and your pets for a walk around the neighborhood. EACCA will have all the supplies (bags, gloves, etc.).

Interested participants are asked to meet at parking lot of Andrey's Your Independent Grocer (previously Extra Foods) at 10:00am.

Lunch BBQ and other activities to follow for participants.

SASKATOON CYCLOTRON CLEARED TO START MAKING MEDICAL ISOTOPES FOR PATIENTS



Premier Brad Wall: "Huge news for patients as researchers at the [University of Saskatchewan](#) have developed a way to produce medical isotopes right here in Saskatchewan.

In the past, medical isotopes had to be made in nuclear reactors in places like Ontario. Not anymore.

Our government initiated the [Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation](#) in early 2011 with an investment of \$30 million.

The Fedoruk Centre is the reason for this breakthrough and is a key part of our innovation agenda to further diversify Saskatchewan's economy.

We welcome this announcement by the federal government and thank them for their ongoing support."

MINISTERS TO EXAMINE IMPAIRED DRIVING IMPLICATIONS OF MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION

Premier Brad Wall announced May 25 that he has asked Justice Minister Gordon Wyant, Corrections and Policing Minister Christine Tell and SGI Minister Don McMorris to examine the implications on driver safety of the federal government's plan to legalize marijuana.

"The federal government has said marijuana legalization is coming but I don't think we have clear answers on the potential effects on driver safety and what the plan is to prevent impaired driving due to marijuana use," Wall said. "There are still too many accidents and deaths due to drunk drivers and all governments are taking steps to crack down on that. Legalizing marijuana could certainly mean more impaired drivers, which no one wants.

"Right now, there isn't a clear standard for what constitutes impairment and there isn't a roadside test like there is for drunk driving," Wall said. "These are the kinds of issues that need to be sorted out before the federal government makes marijuana use legal.

"I've asked the three ministers to work together, with their officials and with key stakeholders to recommend how we can ensure that the federal government's legalization of marijuana doesn't lead to more deaths and injuries on Saskatchewan roads."

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

REMINDER - KEVIN DOHERTY, MINISTER OF FINANCE WILL BE IN SASKATOON JUNE 3, 2016

North Saskatoon Business Association is hosting a luncheon. June 3, 2016 featuring the Honourable Kevin Doherty, Minister of Finance. Kevin will deliver a post-budget address right here in Saskatoon. Its a great opportunity to hear our Minister of Finance. I encourage you to attend.

Appointed the Minister of Finance in May of 2015, Kevin was first elected to the Saskatchewan Legislature in November, 2011, representing the constituency of Regina Northeast.

Registration for this special event begins at 11:30 and the luncheon will be held at 12 noon at the Travelodge Hotel, Galaxy A in Saskatoon.

Contact Information:

NSBA 306-242-3060

Registration Deadline - Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 3:00 pm

[Send an Email](#)

Website: <http://www.nsbask.com>

Registration: [Register Now](#)

Fees/Admission:

\$30 per person (plus GST)

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2016 Big Game Draw



***Deadline extended to
Tuesday, May 31: Midnight***

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JUST THE LINKS

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GOVERNMENT INTRODUCES BILL 1

[ROYAL SASKATCHEWAN MUSEUM CALLS FOR NATURE AND MUSIC-LOVING
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS](#)
[TEN EXTRAORDINARY CITIZENS RECEIVED SASKATCHEWAN'S HIGHEST
HONOUR](#)
[ARCHITECTURE WEEK CELEBRATED](#)
[BIG GAME DRAW EXTENDED TO MAY 31](#)
[CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD MAY 17 - 23, 2016](#)

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[HERE](#)

COMING EVENTS

**Junior Achievement Saskatchewan Business Hall of Fame Honouring W. Brett
Wilson and Shelley Brown**

When: Monday, June 6

Where: TCU Place

Tickets: www.bhofsask.ca or call 306-955-5267

Luncheon Featuring Kevin Doherty (NSBA)

Topic: Post-Budget Address

When: June 3, 11:30 - 1 pm

Where: Travelodge Hotel, Galaxy A

[Click Here for More Information](#)

Decoration Day Service 2016

When: Sunday, June 5 beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Where: Woodlawn Cemetery in the area of the Soldiers' Cairn

Autism Annual Walk

When: June 12, 10 am

Where: Wanuskewin Heritage Park

Click [here](#) for additional information

Zoogala

When: June 17

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm and Zoo

Click [here](#) for details

2016 Abex Awards

When: October 22

Where: TCU Place

For information, click www.saskchamber.com.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"The day is what you make it! So why not make it a great one?" Steve Schulte

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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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