

From a Provincial Point of View October 5, 2012

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Thanksgiving is beyond the turkey and the feast, It teaches us to find reasons to smile and bond with our loved ones!

From our house to yours- warmest wishes for a plentiful Thanksgiving!

STATE FUNERAL HELD IN HONOUR OF SASKATCHEWAN HEROINE DR. SYLVIA FEDORUK

A state funeral was held this afternoon at Saskatoon's TCU Place in honour of former Lieutenant Governor Sylvia Fedoruk to look back on her public service and professional career.

Members of the public are able to express their condolences by signing a book of condolence at Saskatoon City Hall during regular hours of operation. Those unable to sign the book can send their message via condolence@gov.sk.ca.

SASKTEL UPDATE

The Saskatchewan Advantage is about ensuring people and businesses have the tools they need to keep our province moving forward. On September 28th, our government announced that we had asked for, and received, an extension from the federal government to their deadline for returning spectrum (frequency). Industry Canada's changes affect SaskTel's ability to provide fixed wireless internet service to approximately 8,000 people in rural Saskatchewan. Those changes were supposed to come into effect this year; under our extension, SaskTel will have until March 31st, 2014 to assist customers in transitioning to new service options. SaskTel is committed to providing customers with comparable or better services to what they presently have, and will continue to invest in technology that can better serve

the needs of rural Saskatchewan. SaskTel will also be closely communicating with those customers affected over the next fifteen months. If you have any questions, please call SaskTel at 1-800-727-5835.

CIBC RUN FOR THE CURE 2012 A GREAT SUCCESS

Usually this province is a sea of green, but this past Sunday it was a sea of pink! It was great to see about 2,000 people participating in this year's CIBC Run for the Cure in support of breast cancer research. My wife, Trish, a survivor, spoke at the event's opening ceremonies.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the event and donated to this year's campaign. With your support we will be able to find a cure for a cancer free future.

For more information on CIBC Run for the Cure, or to register for CIBC Run for the Cure 2013 visit:

http://www.runforthecure.com/site/TR?fr id=1461&pg=entry





SYNERGY 8 HOSTS "ANOTHER" OUTSTANDING FUNDRAISING EVENT!

It was quite the week in Saskatoon! On October 3, I was honoured to bring greetings on behalf of Premier Brad Wall and the Government of Saskatchewan at the "DRIVE FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN".

Synergy 8 Community Builders, in support of the Saskatoon Crisis Nursery hosted a golf tournament and dinner featuring Fred Couples. The 2012 campaign raised money for the renovation of the entire exterior of the crisis nursery along with building a fantastic new playground.

What an incredible project that will be utilized by the families of the approximately 1400 children that visit the crisis nursery every year! This is the Saskatchewan Advantage and there is no better example of contributing to the Saskatchewan Advantage than the work that Synergy 8 does as they help our community realize bold new community visions.



GREY CUP TRAIN IN SASKATOON

Thousands of people in the Saskatoon area visited the Viterra grain terminal to see the Grey Cup and tour the 100th anniversary Canadian Football League train. The train loaded with memorabilia and of course, the Grey Cup is travelling across the country. It was a great way to give fans a chance to interact with the grey cup and get their photo taken.

The special train cars were wrapped in images of the Grey Cup's history. I was able to speak at the event as the train pulled into Saskatoon. The turnout was overwhelming and it was evident that many fans from Saskatoon and surrounding areas share my passion for the game.

HILLTOPS QUARTERBACK LUNCHEON



As we head into the heart of the fall season, football seems to be on everyone's mind. Tuesday I had the pleasure of attending the Hilltops Quarterback Luncheon held at TCU Place. Along with Tom Sargeant, coaching staff, and players of the Hilltops, special guests from the Roughriders were also in attendance.

It was great to see so much support for our Saskatoon Hilltops Football Club as they go into play

off season. Best of luck to the players and coaching staff of the Saskatoon Hilltops as they travel to Calgary to secure their playoff spot!

GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES NEW SENIORS HOME SECURITY PLAN

Government Relations Minister Jim Reiter has delivered on a campaign promise by announcing a new safety program for Saskatchewan's seniors today at the Seniors' First Safety open house hosted by the Regina Senior Citizens Centre. The Seniors Home Security Program is intended to help low-income seniors and seniors who have been the victim of a break and enter or a home invasion.

"Everyone has the right to feel safe in their own home," Reiter said. "Vulnerable seniors will benefit from increased security through these targeted home safety assessments and installation of home safety equipment at no charge to them."

Government Launches Seniors Home Security Program

TOUR OF SARCAN

In my role as Minister of Environment, I had the pleasure of touring the SARCAN processing plant in Saskatoon this past week. Throughout the province SARCAN has recycling depots which help us keep

the environment healthy. But did you know SARCAN does so much more than simply recycling?



SARCAN is the recycling division of SARC, Saskatchewan Association of Rehabilitation Centers. SARC is a non-profit association representing community-based organizations that provide residential, developmental, and employment support/services to thousands of individuals with disabilities.

SARCAN Recycling provides employment for people of all abilities protect the environment and contributes to the economic development of Saskatchewan.

It was great to see what happens to the recyclable materials after we drop them off. Thank you to everyone at SARCAN for the great opportunity to tour your facilities. We appreciate the good work you do in our province.

HARVEST FOR KIDS AIMS TO BREAK A WORLD RECORD

Children's Camps International hopes that October 6 will be a record breaking day. Harvest for Kids 2012 is an attempt to break a world record for the most combines to harvest a field. A record currently held by the organization in Winkler, Manitoba two years ago.

Organizers are expecting over 200 combines and 20,000 spectators. Harvest for Kids 2012 will take place October 6 on a field of oats 25km north of Saskatoon on highway 12, across from The Barn Playhouse. The celebration starts at 10:45am with family events followed by a lunch and the harvest starts at 2:00pm.

For more information and a complete agenda or to register your combine, visit: http://harvestforkids.com/saskatchewan/

PLEASE HELP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE - VOTE AND HELP CREATE A LASTING MEMORY IN CANORA!



When my colleague, the Honourable Ken Krawetz shared this story, it not only pulled at my heart strings but made me want to help encourage all of you to participate in this worthwhile cause.

Chase Kraynick died suddenly in a tragic farming accident on May 24, 2011. He was only 6 years old. When he passed away his family handed out his Pay It Forward cards to all the people who attended his funeral, and still do to this day, as a reminder of who Chase really was: a loving little boy with so much to offer.

The family's way of paying it forward back to the community in memory of Chase is to build a splash park in Canora. This splash park will be a place where friends and family of any age will be able to engage in healthy, barrier free fun while creating memories to last a lifetime. This splash park will be comprised of a 3,400 sq ft concrete pad with 18 splash components themed to reflect all the things Chase loved (farming, sports

and the great outdoors).

The Chase Kraynick "Pay It Forward" Memorial Splash Park will create a lasting memory in a small rural farming community in Saskatchewan as a reminder of how precious and short life is and that random acts of kindness and generosity towards a complete stranger without expecting anything in return can make a tremendous difference in someone's life.

Fundraising for this project is a large undertaking for the family. They have applied to the AVIVA Community Fund and this is where you can "Pay it Forward" to help them achieve their goal.

<u>Please take the time</u> to vote at <u>www.avivacommunityfund.org</u> Idea #ACF13447. You can also follow the fundraising efforts of the family and community on Chase's Blog at <u>www.chasekraynickpayitforward.wordpress.com</u>

Thank you for your support!

<u>CEO RECOGNIZED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR WOMEN WORLD</u> OF DIFFERENCE AWARD

Congratulations to Laura Small, CEO of Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan Inc. who has been named to The International Alliance for Women World of Difference Top 100 List. Laura is one of seven Canadian women who have been named to the list. She will also be honoured at The International Alliance for Women World of Difference Awards which recognizes the unsung heroines of our society.

Through her leadership at Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan, Laura has helped shape and create the economic climate and business community for women entrepreneurs in Saskatchewan. She has been

a trailblazer in the province, working tirelessly to help women in Saskatchewan reach their entrepreneurial potential.

Thank you, Laura, for working so hard, listening to the needs of women and being their voice in the business community. Your international recognition is incredibly deserved.

2013 MEMORIAL CUP VOLUNTEER LAUNCH

I was pleased to speak on behalf my colleague Minister Tim McMillan and SaskEnergy at the 2013 MasterCard Memorial Cup Volunteer Launch on October 2 along with Tim Gitzel, event co-chair. It was an honour to introduce Hockey Hall of Famer and former Saskatoon Blade Bernie Federko. Bernie is the volunteer ambassador for the Memorial Cup.

The MasterCard Memorial Cup is the Canadian Hockey League championship and will feature the top team from the Western Hockey League, Ontario Hockey League and Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, as well as the host team, Saskatoon Blades. The championship will take place May 16-26, 2013. The 10-day event will include a community-wide celebration showcasing alumni events, concerts and the CHL Awards. The Saskatoon Blades last hosted the MasterCard Memorial Cup in 1989.

The 2013 MasterCard Memorial Cup is an opportunity for our City to shine and show-off our volunteer spirit. With the outstanding volunteer spirit in Saskatchewan, I encourage you to volunteer for this amazing event! For more information and to register visit http://www.mmcsaskatoon.com/index.cfm

2012 OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT VICTOR THOMAS

On September 27 I had the pleasure of attending the University of Regina Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards. Among the recipients of awards was a good friend, Victor Thomas. Victor was awarded the University of Regina Dr. Robert and Norma Ferguson Alumni Award for Outstanding Service. Victor is still active in the University of Regina serving on the Senate, the Joint Committee on Ceremonies, and the Allied Health Centre Council. He is also the youngest member of the Paul J. Hill School of Business CEO Advisory Circle.

Congratulations to Victor and all the other recipients on their recognition of public service: William (Bill) McKnight, Lifetime Achievement Award; Vera Tourangeau, Distinguished Humanitarian and Community Service Award; Nevan Krogan, Distinguished Professional Achievement Award; and Phoebe De Ciman Haugen, Outstanding Young Alumnus Award.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Ministry operates four seasonal/ice roads including the Cumberland House Road (53 km), the Riverhurst Road (2 km), the Wollaston Lake Road (46 km) and the Athabasca Road (358 km).
- The Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure is responsible for 12 ferries and one barge in the province.
- Snow plows in Saskatchewan are on the road before, during and after storms and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

JUST THE HEADLINES

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- October 1, 2012 Saskatchewan Minimum Wage Increases to \$10 an Hour on December 1
- October 2, 2012 Saskatchewan Licence Plates are Going Stickerless
- October 2, 2012 Consumers Advised to Take Precautions Due to Beef Recall
- October 3, 2012 Know Your Workplace Rights and Responsibilities
- October 3, 2012 Be On Guard for the Orange Zone As Thanksgiving Approaches
- October 3, 2012 Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation to be Named After Dr. Sylvia Fedoruk
- October 4, 2012 Celebrating Saskatchewan Women October is Women's History Month
- October 4, 2012 More than \$631 Million Invested in Saskatchewan Highways in 2012-2013
- October 5, 2012 Governor General to Visit Saskatchewan
- October 5, 2012 10,600 More Saskatchewan People Working in September
- October 5, 2012 Building Permits More Than Double National Increase

SOME UPCOMING EVENTS IN SASKATOON

Gormley Gathering

Date: October 10

Where: Persephone Theater

When: 5:30 pm

Women's World

Date: October 12 to October 14 Where: Credit Union Centre

When: visit http://www.itsawomansworld.ca/ for times and more information

Civic Election Mayoral Candidates Luncheon Forum

Date: October 15

Where: Delta Bessborough When: 11:30 pm

Register online through the Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce – Tickets for Chamber members are \$30

and for non-members are \$35

State of the Province Address

Date: October 16 Where: TCU Place When: 11:30 am

Tickets available through the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce website

Civic Election

Date: October 24 Where: Saskatoon When: all-day

If you would like your event listed in Provincial Point of View, please contact me at ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"A life spent making mistakes is not only more honourable but more useful than a life spend doing nothing."

George Bernard Shaw

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 to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call me.



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