A new day dawned in maternal and pediatric healthcare today with the announcement of the largest one-time donation in Saskatchewan history to a charitable organization. Businessman and philanthropist Jim Pattison, originally from Luseland, Saskatchewan, announced a donation of $50 million to the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan. The historic gift will help support world-class pediatric and maternal research and equipment at the new Children’s Hospital of Saskatchewan. In honour of the unprecedented gift, the new provincial hospital will be renamed Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital. Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan is also changing its name accordingly, becoming Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital Foundation effective immediately.

“Jim Pattison’s remarkable gift will transform the future of maternal and pediatric health care on a scale this province has not seen before,” says Brynn Boback-Lane, President and CEO of Jim Pattison.
Children’s Hospital Foundation. “We are tremendously grateful for this visionary gift, which will help us achieve long-term, stable funding to help create a world-class medical and research centre of excellence for Saskatchewan children, moms, and families right here at home.

Separate from today’s gift, the Foundation’s “We Can’t Wait” capital campaign has accumulated $54 million towards a campaign goal of a minimum of $75 million. Construction on Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital is on schedule and over 55% complete.

**SASKATCHEWAN CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL GETS $50 MILLION DONATION AND NEW NAME**

Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall today joined the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan (CHFS) to announce a $50 million donation and a new name for the children’s hospital and the foundation.

The largest-ever gift of money to the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan was made by the Jim Pattison Foundation. In honour of this generous donation, the hospital will be named the Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital. The CHFS will also be renamed the Jim Pattison Children’s Foundation.

Jim Pattison is a Vancouver-based businessman and philanthropist originally from Luseland, Saskatchewan. He is founder, chairman and chief executive officer of the Jim Pattison Group, the second largest privately-held company in Canada.

“We want to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for this extraordinary gift that will benefit
the children and families of Saskatchewan for generations to come,” Wall said. “Mr. Pattison’s generous
donation, together with the $235.5 million contribution from the province, and the impressive fundraising
of the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan, will ensure that a world-class children’s hospital
will finally become a reality in Saskatchewan.”

“This is an extraordinary and generous gift that will allow for ongoing, sustainable funding for the new
provincial children’s hospital,” CHFS President and CEO Brynn Boback-Lane said. “Mr. Pattison brings
with him today funds for new research initiatives, immeasurable support for endowment and fellowships
and the ability for the Foundation to ensure that the right equipment and enhancements are in place for
Saskatchewan’s youngest patients and moms to be. This will make this hospital truly world-class.”

Once completed, the Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital will better meet the needs of Saskatchewan’s
children, expecting mothers, and families by enhancing patient care and enabling the ongoing
recruitment and retention of pediatric specialists.

With two years remaining before the hospital opens its doors, the Saskatoon Health Region has already
successfully recruited more than 70 per cent of the pediatric specialists it will need to staff the
province’s new maternal and children’s hospital.

Active recruitment of pediatric specialists continues and 13 interested candidates have made site visits
to Saskatoon since January.

Construction of the new 176 bed, 409,032 square foot hospital reached 55 per cent completion at the end
of April. The Government of Saskatchewan is contributing $235.5 million toward the total project cost of
$285.2 million, and $21.4 million will come from interest in investments by the Saskatoon Health Region.

In addition, the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan is contributing $75 million through their
capital campaign.

The project remains on time and on budget, and is scheduled for completion in 2019.
It was indeed an great honour to be in attendance at the announcement of the largest donation in the history of Saskatoon! I appreciated the opportunity to have my photo taken today with Jim Pattison. I join with the entire province in thanking Jim for his incredible generosity and support!

REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE
Recent economic indicators show the resilience of Saskatchewan's diversified economy. Exports are up significantly and Saskatchewan is outpacing the national average in manufacturing, retail sales, wholesale trade and building permit growth.

Just recently we celebrated the province's first new potash mine in decades, the K+S project, as well as the Esterhazy K3 mine. There is also the PCS expansion in Rocanville and some very strong signals from BHP on their Jansen project. What we see is a resilient economy that is moving forward.

These statistics and investment indicate renewed consumer confidence in Saskatchewan and of an economy that is trending in the right direction. Our province is well-positioned to stimulate continued growth and activity in our key sectors, which is good news for our people and businesses.

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) says small businesses in Saskatchewan are opposed to a federally imposed carbon tax. The CFIB recently canvassed their membership and learned that 76 per cent of Saskatchewan entrepreneurs oppose Ottawa's carbon tax.

These businesses see punitive measures as the least effective way to reduce carbon emissions and have serious concerns with a 'one-size-fits-all' approach. They expressed that Saskatchewan should be recognized for its current use of carbon capture technology to reduce carbon emissions.

More than 1,000 small businesses from every corner of the province have signed petitions titled “Timing couldn't be worse for introduction of a carbon tax”. Our government stands with these small business owners and the entire province in saying no to a federally imposed carbon tax.
Ottawa’s plan to impose a carbon tax on Saskatchewan would increase the cost of nearly everything for consumers and would have a significant negative effect on our export-based economy, especially given that the U.S. – our biggest trading partner and competitor – has no carbon tax.

Our government continues to oppose any federal carbon tax being imposed on Saskatchewan. Last fall, we released our alternative position outlining what Saskatchewan has done and continues to do to fight climate change. You can read it here: www.saskatchewan.ca/climate-plan.

The federal government is currently seeking comments on their carbon tax plan at: carbon-pricing-tarificationcarbone@canada.ca. I encourage you to let them know what you think of the plan and to share your feedback with us as well at: federalcarbontax@gov.sk.ca.

It has been said that there are two seasons in Saskatchewan: winter and construction. Now that winter is out the way, construction season is in full swing.

The second largest transportation budget in Saskatchewan’s history will see work continue on about 990 kilometres of provincial highways, including major projects like the Regina Bypass, Warman and Martensville overpasses, and Highway 7 and 39 twinning.

It’s important to stay alert when entering any work zone. Please obey all signs and flag persons and remember to slow to 60 km/hr. Drivers will face three times the normal fines for driving faster than 60 km/hr in work zones. It is also illegal to pass vehicles with flashing lights.

A weekly construction update will be published throughout the spring and summer months to provide the travelling public with the latest construction information. To learn more, please visit: www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/transportation/highway-construction-projects/weekly-highway-construction-update

WILLOWGROVE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
PLANNING A COMMUNITY INFORMATION NIGHT!
Willowgrove University Heights Community Association invites you to join them for their Community Information Night! Attending this night is an excellent opportunity to learn about Citizen’s Patrol, Gangs, Safer Communities & Neighbourhood (SCAN) and ask any questions that you may have...mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 14 at 7:00 pm.

The community association hopes to see you there!

SECOND HIGHEST WEEKLY EARNING GROWTH AMONG CANADA’S PROVINCES

On a year-over-year basis, Saskatchewan’s average weekly earnings saw a 2.6 per cent increase in March 2017 (seasonally adjusted), the second highest among Canada’s provinces, according to new figures released by Statistics Canada today.
The province’s average weekly earnings grew by 1.1 per cent, compared to the previous month, above the national increase of 0.2 per cent and also the second highest increase among the provinces.

“Saskatchewan’s strong and resilient economy is producing increased wages in the province,” Economy Minister Jeremy Harrison said. “This is in contrast to Alberta where weekly earnings actually declined by 0.8 per cent year-over-year.”

Average weekly earnings were $1,008.48 in Saskatchewan, the third highest among provinces, an increase of $25.45 from March 2016. With inflation factored in, Saskatchewan’s real wage increased by 2.0 per cent year-over-year, reflecting the highest growth in real wages among Canada’s provinces.

Nationally, the real wage (with inflation factored in) declined by 0.7 per cent.

**CAMECO TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN BRUCE POWER LIFE EXTENSION PROGRAM TO SECURE LOW-COST ELECTRICITY AND JOBS**

Saskatchewan's Cameco has just signed a 10-year deal with Ontario's Bruce Power worth $2 billion that will see our province’s uranium resources continue to power Canadian homes.

That’s great news for a major employer in Saskatchewan; one that employs many of our First Nations and Métis people in the north.

In the last several years, our government has engaged in international trade missions, especially in Asia, to further promote Saskatchewan's role in supplying clean nuclear power around the world. Today is
also a good day to celebrate our province’s uranium being marketed domestically to supply clean power homes to homes and businesses in Canada.

Saskatoon Willowgrove constituent Tim Gitzel: "We are delighted to extend our fuel supply arrangement with Bruce Power to meet 100% of their requirements out to 2030 and participate in their Life Extension Program by supplying reactor components,” said Tim Gitzel, Cameco's president and CEO. “Bruce Power’s commitment to continue delivering clean, reliable and affordable nuclear power provides a bright future for 700 people employed at our Ontario operations.” Read the entire article here.

MORE SIGNS THAT SASKATCHEWAN'S RESILIENT ECONOMY IS GAINING STRENGTH

Premier Brad Wall, "The Conference Board of Canada forecasts that Saskatchewan will have the second-highest economic growth rate in the country in 2017 at 2.5 per cent. That's thanks to all the Saskatchewan businesses and workers who are building our diverse economy. Our government will continue working hard to make the decisions necessary to keep our economy strong”.

Click here to read the entire story from the Conference Board of Canada.

SASKATOON FREEWAY CONSULTATION
When fully developed, the Saskatoon Freeway will provide a high-speed, bypass route around Saskatoon for provincial commuter and commuter traffic. The general location is one of the first steps in setting a future route. For additional information, please click here.

Planning for the future Saskatoon Freeway will take many more years as part of the long-range planning process. Setting the general location is one of the first steps in helping plan for the future.

This is your opportunity to have your say on the Saskatoon Freeway. Click here to provide feedback.

**KINSMEN CLUB OF SASKATOON AMONG THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2017 PREMIER’S SERVICE CLUB AWARD**

May 26th, Premier Brad Wall announced that five community organizations will be presented with the Premier’s Service Club Award this year for their ongoing dedication and commitment to the people of Saskatchewan.

“There is no doubt that our great province is immeasurably better off because of the numerous programs, services and campaigns carried out by service clubs,” Wall said. “These clubs and their members lead by example, emphasizing community service, selflessness and a commitment to improving the lives of others, and that is something to celebrate.”

This year’s recipients are:

- Churchbridge Lions and Lionesses Club
- Fillmore and District Lions Club
- Fort Qu’Appelle Lions Club
- Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon
- Lions Clubs of Saskatchewan
The Premier’s Service Club Award was established in 2013 to recognize voluntary, non-profit service clubs or fraternal organizations that meet to perform charitable work either by hands-on effort or by raising money for other organizations.

Presentation ceremonies will be scheduled throughout the year. Nomination forms, a full list of eligible organizations and additional information on the Premier’s Service Club Award can be found at www.saskatchewan.ca/premierserviceclubaward.

SASKATCHEWAN TOURISM WEEK SHOWCASES INSPIRING EXPERIENCES AND STRONG ECONOMIC BENEFITS

The Government of Saskatchewan is proclaiming May 28 to June 3 as Saskatchewan Tourism Week. The week is part of a broader national initiative called Tourism Week in Canada, which brings attention to the impact of the country’s tourism sector and the economic opportunities available through travel and tourism. Saskatchewan Tourism Week highlights the importance of tourism in this province.

The industry is a significant contributor to the Saskatchewan economy in the following ways:
• Annually, tourism generates more than $2.15 billion in travel expenditures;
• Nearly 65,000 residents are employed in tourism or tourism-related jobs;
• In 2015, more than 12.2 million visits were made to and within the province; and
• Saskatchewan’s tourism sector is 95 per cent small- or medium-sized businesses.

“Saskatchewan Tourism Week is an occasion to acknowledge a sector that is vital to a strong economy and makes our province a great place to live, work and visit,” Minister Responsible for Tourism
Saskatchewan Jeremy Harrison said. “At the heart of our tourism industry are proud, hard-working people. This special week pays tribute to their efforts.”

Read more here.

FEATURING THE 2ND IN THE 11 AMAZING PLACES YOU HAD NO IDEA WERE IN SASKATCHEWAN - THE CROOKED BUSH

WE IN SASKATCHEWAN take a great deal of pride in our home province. Yes, we've got those famed wheat fields of the southern prairies — but there's also the lesser-known lakes and forests of the central and northern parklands. Saskatchewan's landscape is nothing if not diverse, complete with plunging chasms and soaring cliffs, shifting sand dunes, and the sharpness of the Canadian Shield. Below, you'll discover just a few of the amazing places you had no idea were hiding right here.

This is the second of the eleven amazing places in Saskatchewan we're highlighting in each newsletter .... if you're anxious to see them all, please click here!

Forests of spruce, pine, birch, and aspen are spread throughout the central and northern parts of
Saskatchewan. Gorgeous greens in the summer, golden yellows in the autumn — these woods are breathtakingly beautiful and calming...all except for the reputedly haunted Crooked Bush near Hafford.

Nowhere else in Canada do trees like these exist — except maybe in the films of Tim Burton. The tangled trunks and bent branches of these aspens snake along the ground, twisting and turning, curving and contorting, their pale bark with its black scabs like the gnarled hands of a wicked witch reaching out to grab you as you walk by. Walking through these misshapen woods is a truly surreal experience — and perhaps an even better IG backdrop.

A researcher at the University of Saskatchewan says the trees (or tree — aspens are clonal, so the grove is almost certainly one huge organism) are the result of a genetic mutation. But what caused it? Theories abound. Whatever the reason, these weird woods are sure to leave you both captivated and disconcerted.

**OPENING JULY 1, 2017 AT THE ROYAL SASKATCHEWAN MUSEUM**
As Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, I encourage you and your family to plan on visiting the 150 Species For Canada 150 at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum in Regina AND the many exhibits at the MacKenzie Art Gallery

When people get a chance to see what goes on behind the scenes at a museum like the Royal Saskatchewan Museum, they are often excited to learn about the size and inherent value of the collections. To recognize the 150th year of Confederation, we are putting 150 species from the provincial natural history and fossil collections on display. Museums like the RSM collect and study specimens like these to preserve them for future generations and to better understand the life around us. This exhibit is a chance to see part of the collections up close and learn more about how we know when a new species is discovered, why their names are important, and how species get their names. Do you want to be a part of 150 for 150? Adopt one of the 150 species featured in the exhibit and show your love for all things Saskatchewan. Every adoption comes with:

- a certificate of Adoption and a photo of your artifact
- an accompanying description of your artifact and its history or significance to Saskatchewan
- your name on the Museum’s website and in the Friends of the Museum Annual Report
- a charitable tax receipt

For additional information, click here.

WHATS ON IN JUNE AT THE MACKENZIE ART GALLERY?

Opening June 10, 2017 | A Canadian Dream and Pascal Grandmaison: Soleil Différé
The MacKenzie adds two new exhibitions to the Gallery this summer with A Canadian Dream and Pascal Grandmaison: Soleil différé. Take some time out in the Dream Space during your visit—a dedicated art lounge meant for rumination, reflection, and relaxation.

A Canadian Dream: 1965–1970
On view through August 20, 2017
In the warm glow of national celebrations, dreams of unity abound. This was certainly the case during Canada’s last big birthday bash in 1967 marking the Centennial of Confederation. A closer look, however, shows that the bright optimism of this time—summed up in Montreal’s Expo 67—blurred or completely erased deep divisions within Canadian society. This exhibition looks at the years immediately before and after 1967 and traces the fractures with the Canadian Dream through artworks from the MacKenzie’s permanent collection. Read more...
Saturday, June 17
10 am - 5 pm (rain or shine)
Admission: $5 (free for children 12 and under)
Saskatchewan's largest outdoor art and craft show and sale returns to the MacKenzie, showcasing handmade creations by Canadian artisans. Shop locally for one-of-a-kind treasures from more than 150 artisans, enjoy delicious food prepared by locally-owned businesses, take a break with free concerts at the Regina Folk Festival Stage, and get creative in the Family Studio in the Sun with hands-on art activities led by Gallery Facilitators!

**VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF CRIME WEEK DECLARED IN SASKATCHEWAN**

May 28 to June 3 has been declared Victims and Survivors of Crime Week in Saskatchewan, coinciding with the national victims week of the same name. The theme for this year is “Empowering Resilience.”

“I cannot think of a theme that gets closer to the essence of what victim services volunteers do across this province each and every day,” Justice Minister and Attorney General Gordon Wyant said. “Their work provides people with the tools to get through traumatic situations that many of us can’t even imagine. I’d like to thank them for their dedication to making Saskatchewan a better place to live.”

The entire news release [here](#).

**SASKATCHEWAN MINING WEEK PROMOTES INNOVATION, ADAPTATION**
The impact and contributions of the province’s mining industry will be the focus of Saskatchewan Mining Week, which was officially proclaimed today at the Legislature Building in Regina.

Organized by the Saskatchewan Mining Association (SMA) to promote awareness of the people and activities that comprise the industry, the overall theme of this year’s week is “Mining in Transformational Times”.

“This year’s theme speaks to the resiliency and innovative spirit that defines the qualities of Saskatchewan’s dynamic mining sector,” Energy and Resources Minister Dustin Duncan said. “Part of our job in government is to do our best to enable businesses to invest in our province, helping to create sustainable jobs and grow our economy.

Click here to read more.
2017/18 Registration and Coach Evaluations

Reminder that registration for the 2017-18 season is only open until June 30. All registrants that are in prior to this date are eligible for draws with SMHA. Registrants taken beyond this date are assessed a late registration fee of $100. Please remember that if you trying out for Peewee, Bantam or Midget AA, you need to register with both the GSHL and the Redwings…only pay your GSHL evaluation fee at this time.

The 2016-17 year end coach evaluations survey is still open. Your coach and the zone both need and deserve the 5 minutes that it takes to fill in the survey with both your positive and negative feedback. The survey will be open until May 31st. Please go to https://goo.gl/YmIYaU ASAP and complete the survey. Thank you for your time in advance.

Congratulations and thank you to 2017-18 Redwings Board:

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**2018 CITIZEN BUDGET: HAVE YOUR SAY!**

You’re invited to have your say ... with the City of Saskatoon’s easy-to-use interactive and educational online tool - Citizen Budget. Take a few minutes and tell us your priorities and preferences for the 2018 Budget, and on the City’s future investments plans. How do you want to see tax dollars spent in 2018? What service levels are most important to you? Click here for additional information.
Tim Horton's Camp Day

Buy and coffee and help turn a kid’s life around!

When: Wednesday, May 31

Click here to find out more

Team Naomi Get Well Now 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament

When: June 3

Where: Greenbryre Golf and Country Club

For information contact teamnaomigetwellnow@gmail.com and watch this newsletter for more details

PotashCorp Children’s Festival of Saskatchewan

When: June 3 - June 6

Where: Kiwanis Memorial Park

Click here for details
Original 16 Country Concert Series at Rock Creek

Junior Achievement of Saskatchewan Business Hall of Fame

When: June 7

Where: TCU Place

Inductees: Darcy Bear, Betty-Ann Heggie and Vaughn Wyant
**20th Annual Zoogala**

*When:* June 16

*Where:* Saskatoon Forestry Farm and Zoo

Click [here](#) for information on sponsorship and tickets

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**Canadian Country Music Association Awards**

*When:* September 10

Tickets on Sale Now, click [here](#) for details

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**THOUGHT OF THE DAY**
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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