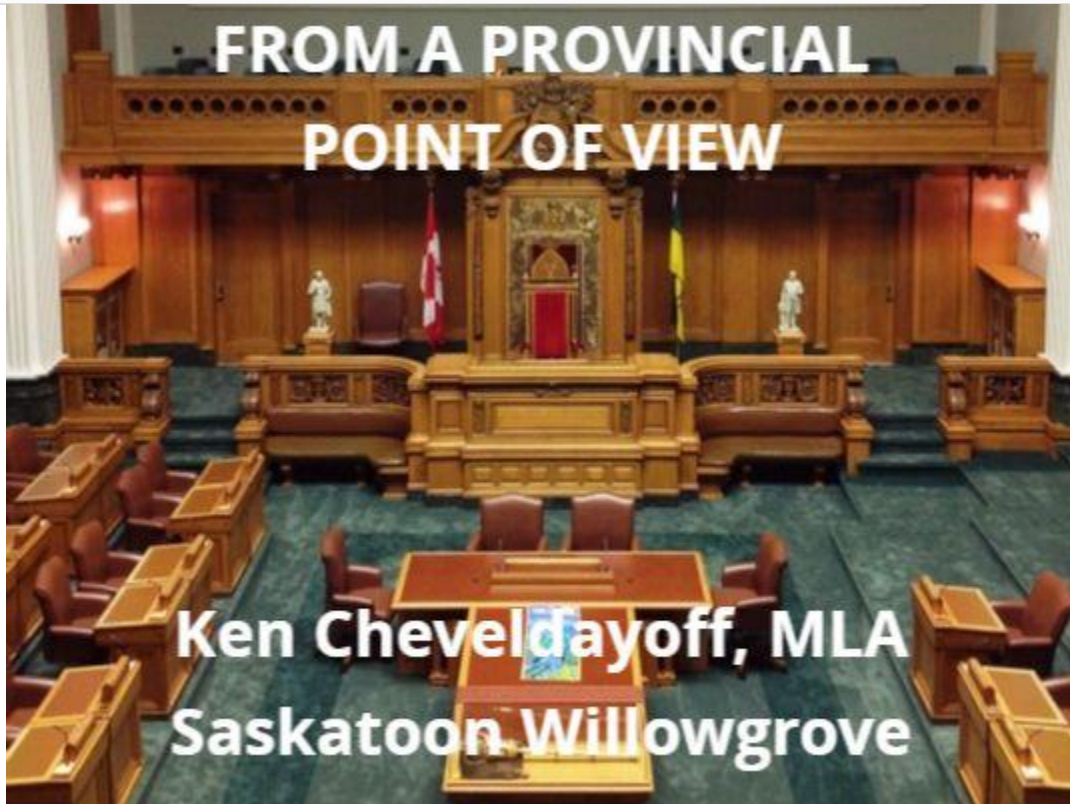


Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



The Third Session of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature resumed Monday, March 6

## REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



Saskatchewan's provincial motto is "from many peoples' strength." Our province's strength comes from strong families, communities, businesses and industries. Our government is committed to investing in programs and services that support and build on this strength. Last fall's Speech from the Throne provided the groundwork for several of these initiatives. Now, with our government back in Regina for the spring sitting of the Legislative Assembly, we are ready to continue moving forward with investments that will continue to build upon our province's strengths.

We are investing in regulated child care to strengthen families across the province. In a partnership with the federal government, our government announced this week that parent fees for regulated child care will be reduced to \$10 per day starting April 1. Saskatchewan is one of the first provinces to achieve this milestone, three years ahead of schedule.

Investing in affordable, inclusive and high-quality childcare ensures Saskatchewan children get a strong start in life. In addition, improving child care strengthens families by giving parents the flexibility to build both a family and a career. This investment builds on the Growth Plan commitment to improving childcare and education to meet the needs of our growing province.

Our government is moving forward on the development of provincially regulated online learning programs. Course options are now available at the new Saskatchewan Distance Learning Corporation

(Sask DLC) website. Over 180 courses will be offered for Kindergarten through Grade 12 students, including more than 120 high school courses. Sask DLC students will be able to access support virtually or at one of ten regional campuses across the province.

The Sask DLC program will strengthen Saskatchewan's education system by allowing students greater flexibility and new learning opportunities. The development of the program further builds on the Growth Plan commitment to improve childcare and education.

We are also continuing to invest in connectivity for rural communities across Saskatchewan. SaskTel announced the sixth phase of its Rural Fibre Initiative, during which it will be adding infiNET service to 48 communities across the province. The Rural Fibre Initiative is a multi-phase program that will see SaskTel invest \$200 million to bring infiNET services to residents and businesses in over 130 rural communities.

This investment is part of our Growth Plan commitment to expand SaskTel's fibre optic network and have one million broadband access points by 2025. SaskTel's infiNET services strengthen rural Saskatchewan's families and businesses by helping them stay connected and access online resources.

Our government has invested in the Crop Insurance Program to help agricultural producers mitigate risk on their farms. Crop Insurance coverage will reach a record-high \$446 per acre on average for 2023. Other highlights for this year's program include new individual premiums, increased coverage for unseeded acres and increased AgriStability compensation. Crop Insurance helps strengthen our agriculture industry by supporting Saskatchewan producers. It also helps build on the Growth Plan commitment of building a sustainable and resilient agriculture industry.

By investing in programs and services that support the strength of families, communities, businesses and industries, our government is investing in a strong Saskatchewan. A strong Saskatchewan will have opportunities and prosperity, now and into the future. That's growth that works for everyone.

## **YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET ADDRESS**



*You are cordially invited to be present  
in the  
Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Chamber  
for the presentation of the  
**Budget Address**  
by the Honourable Donna Harpauer  
Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance  
**1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22, 2023***

*Would you like to attend the presentation of the Budget Address March 22? I have a **limited number of invitations** to distribute, so please let me know if you are interested in attending.*

*The Honourable Donna Harpauer will be presenting the Budget Address at 1:30 pm March 22, 2022, in the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly Chamber. You are asked to arrive no later than 1:00 pm.*

*Please RSVP to [ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel](mailto:ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel) as soon as possible.*

*Invitations will be on a first-come, first-served basis. I will confirm your request by responding to your email.*

**SASKATCHEWAN TO ACHIEVE \$10 A DAY CHILD CARE BY  
APRIL 2023**

*Growth that Works for Everyone*

## **MLA Ken Cheveldayoff on Investing in Child Care in Saskatchewan**

*We are committed to investing in affordable, accessible and quality early learning and child care options that provide flexibility, choice and makes life more affordable for Saskatchewan families.*

**Saskatchewan  
Party Caucus**



The Governments of Saskatchewan and Canada are pleased to announce that parent fees for regulated child care in the province will be reduced to \$10 a day starting April 1, 2023.

Saskatchewan is one of the first Canadian provinces to achieve this milestone, which is three years ahead of schedule as outlined in the [Canada-Saskatchewan Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement](#) to bring down child care fees to \$10 a day by 2025-26.

"The Government of Saskatchewan is committed to investing in affordable, inclusive and high-quality child care that provides children with a positive start in life while also giving parents the flexibility and choice to build both a family and career," Education Minister Dustin Duncan said.



Parents whose children are under the age of six and attend regulated child care on a full-time basis can expect to pay \$217.50 per month. The fee reductions will result in families saving an average of \$395 to \$573 per month for each child under six from the average comparable fees as of March 31, 2021.

[Saskatchewan To Achieve \\$10 A Day Child Care By April 2023 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE LYLE**





#### Long-Time MLA Lyle Stewart Stepping Down for Health Reasons

Lumsden-Morse MLA Lyle Stewart today announced that he is resigning his seat due to health-related reasons.

"I have been living with prostate cancer for a number of years now, but unfortunately, my condition has worsened in recent weeks to the point that I can no longer do this job to the standard I expect of myself and that my constituents deserve," Stewart said.

"It has been the honour of my life to represent the people of Lumsden-Morse and Thunder Creek as their MLA for the past 23 and a half years. It has also been an honour to work with the two best and most successful leaders in Canada - Premier Brad Wall and Premier Scott Moe.

"I believe that together with Premier Wall, Premier Moe and all of my caucus colleagues, we have made a change in Saskatchewan that is both positive and indelible."

Premier Scott Moe said he will miss working with Stewart and thanked him for his service to his constituents, the government, and the province.

“Lyle was a great Ag minister, always standing up for Saskatchewan producers and initiating many of the great trade relationships we have today,” Moe said. “But first and foremost, he has been a dedicated and hard-working MLA, always looking out for the best interests of the people he serves.”

Stewart was first elected in 1999 and was re-elected in the five subsequent provincial elections. In 2004, he served briefly as Interim Leader of the Saskatchewan Party and Leader of the Opposition. In government, Stewart served as Minister of Enterprise and Innovation, Minister of Agriculture, Provincial Secretary and Legislative Secretary responsible for Provincial Autonomy.

His resignation is effective this Friday, March 10. A byelection will be held within six months of his resignation.

## **SASKATOON'S EMPLOYMENT GROWTH UP 9.6%**



I had the privilege to rise in the house this week to highlight Saskatoon's employment growth that is up 9.6%! That means Saskatoon has the highest rate of job growth in the nation. It is also the largest increase our city has seen over the last 15 years.

16,700 more people were employed in Saskatoon in 2022 than the year prior. Saskatoon now has over 59,000 more people employed that it did in 2006. The city is also anticipated to lead the nation in GDP



growth, with 7.2% forecasted for 2023.

With more record levels of private investment coming into the province, we expect to see this growth continue across all sectors. As well, Saskatoon had 3,100 more people employed in healthcare in 2022 than in 2021.

Check my facebook page for the video. <https://www.facebook.com/KenChevelDayoffSK/>


## STUDENT AID APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE SOON



Spring/Summer 2022-23 Saskatchewan Student Aid applications will be open at the end of March 2023!

If you are trying to fill out your application and don't see your program or program dates, don't panic!  
Check back at the end of the month to complete your application.

## MARCH IS NATIONAL ENGINEERING MONTH



# National **ENGINEERING** Month

An annual national campaign, National Engineering Month celebrates engineers, their work, and the important role they play in society. Presented by Engineers Canada, National Engineering Month is guided by the theme, "There's a place for you in engineering," which celebrates the diversity of thought, opportunities, and people that make up the engineering profession. In some provinces, you'll find geoscientists joining in as part of National Engineering and Geoscience Month. National Engineering Month is Canada's largest celebration of engineering excellence.

It was great to hear from Lawrence Pinter from PINTER & Associates Ltd this week. Lawrence is passionate about his profession. We are very fortunate to have Engineers like Lawrence and his colleagues in our province. They provide such an excellent service in Saskatoon and throughout Saskatchewan.

Engineering is the silent, invisible profession that ties our province together, Engineers ensure that our roads, schools, hospitals, office buildings, and homes are designed and constructed properly. They

ensure that our water is safe and our sewage is treated before discharge. They are the reason why we have radio, TV, cable, the internet, safe cars, electrical energy, nuclear power, solar and wind power, cars, trucks, planes, trains, fuel, makeup, modern appliances. Engineers and their work affect us every day in every walk of life.

Please take the time to thank an Engineer for contributing to a strong, healthy Saskatchewan! Thank you!

## DID YOU KNOW?

*Growth that Works for Everyone*

# SASKATOON

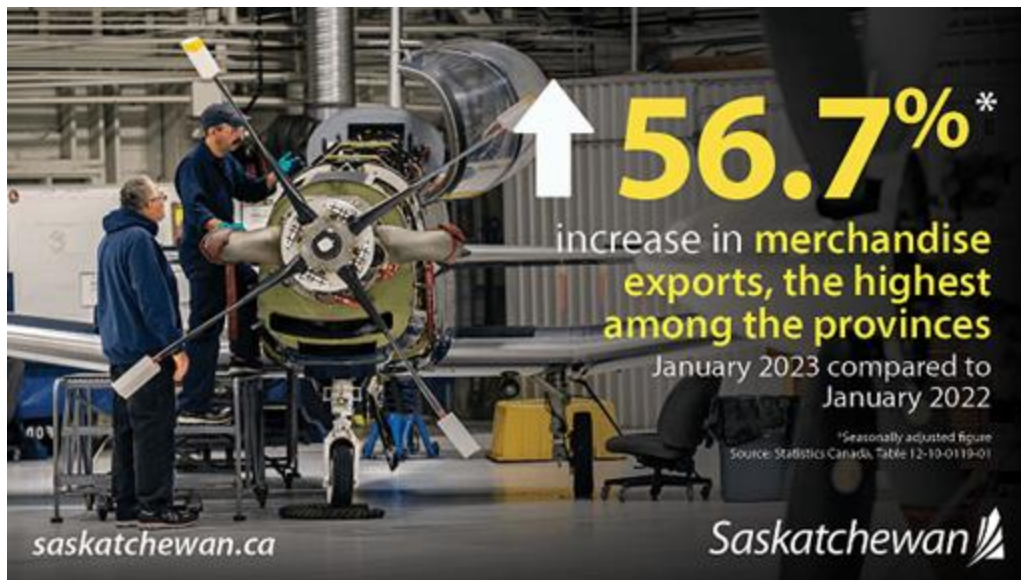
► **Investing in Child Care**

**Did you know?**

Our government will be adding 28,000 new regulated early learning and child care spaces across Saskatchewan



**SASKATCHEWAN LEADS THE NATION IN MERCHANDISE  
EXPORT GROWTH**



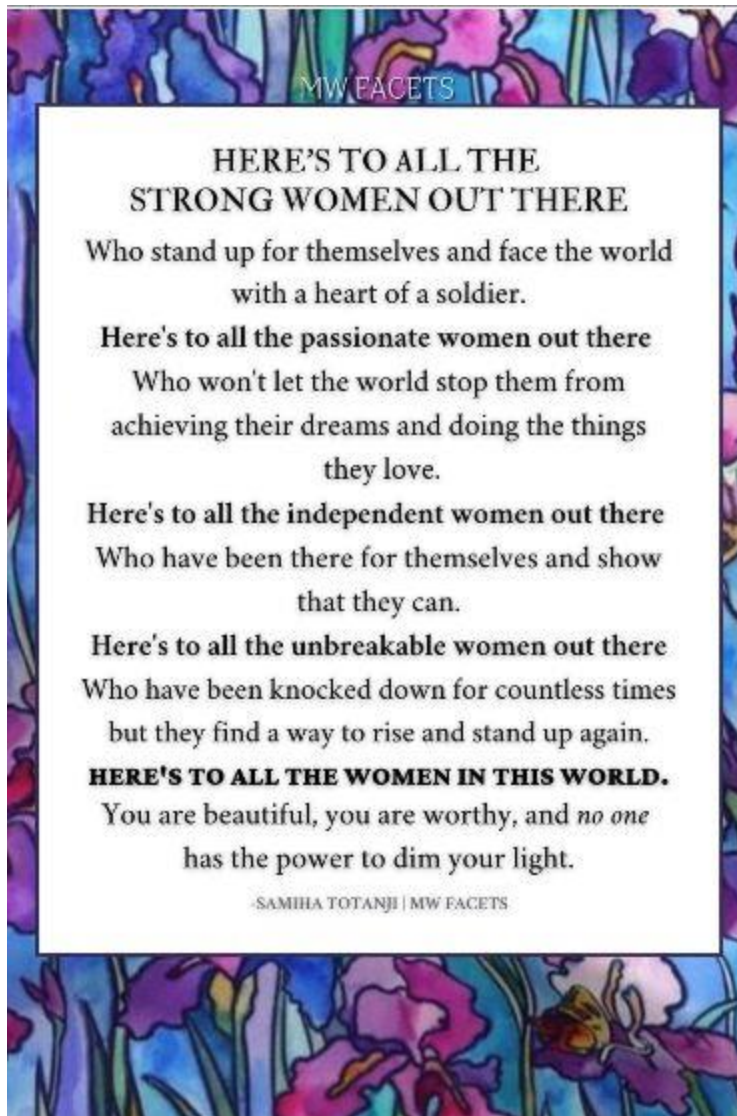
Saskatchewan's economy starts off the year remaining among the strongest in Canada. With January 2023 merchandise exports seeing a 56.7 per cent increase compared to January 2022, Saskatchewan is leading the nation.

Total merchandise exports for January 2023 were valued at more than \$4.6 billion.

"Today's indicators are further proof that Saskatchewan's exports are crucial to the strength of this province," Trade and Export Development Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Our government is committed to increasing our exports and growing our economy so that we can continue to create jobs, generate wealth and attract investment to our province."

[Saskatchewan Leads the Nation in Merchandise Export Growth | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATED MARCH 9**



March 8th, we celebrated International Women's Day. March 8th and every day, we celebrate the strength and resilience of women everywhere. It was a day to recognize women around the world and right here at home.

Together, we recognize and celebrate the achievements of women and girls throughout Saskatchewan.

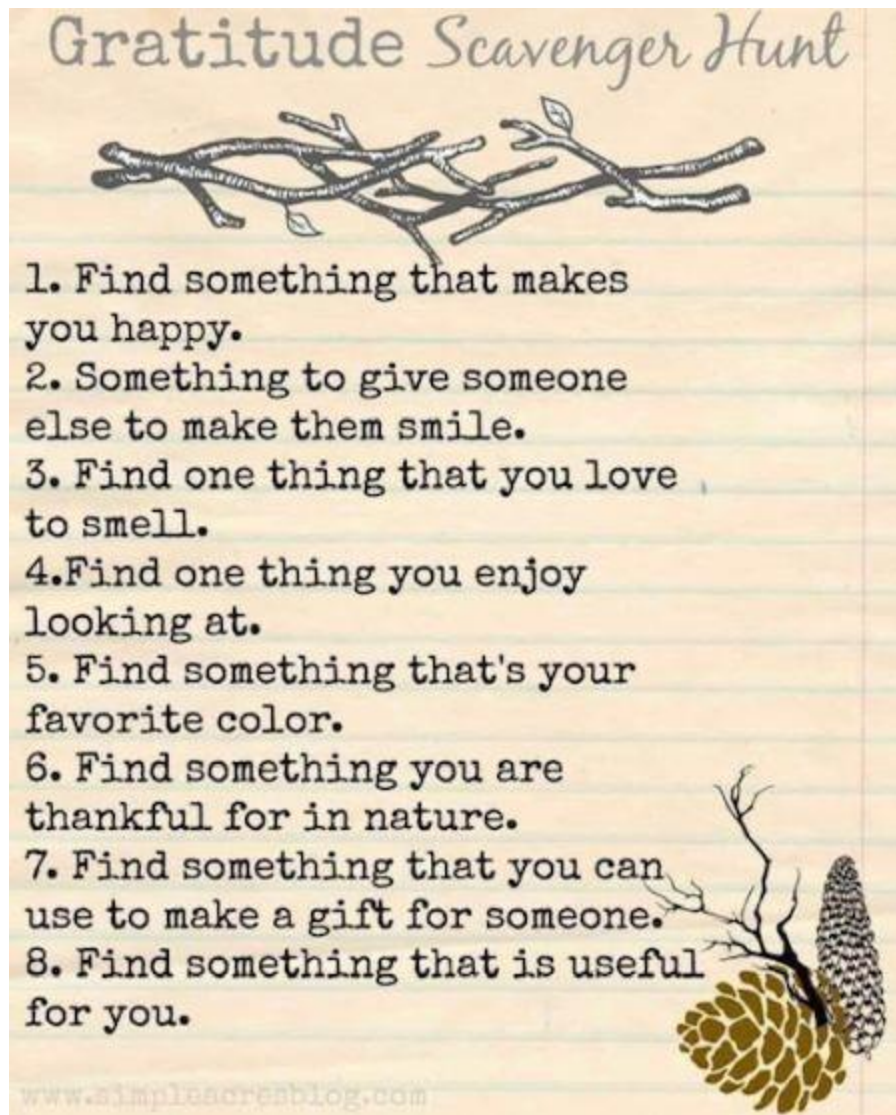
I acknowledge and appreciate the special women in my life. My wife Trish, my daughter Paige, my late mother, Lucy, my aunts and many colleagues have made a positive impact in my life. They are all strong and capable and I am so grateful.

Congratulations to the Honourable Laura Ross who represented Saskatchewan at the 67th United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.



Thank you to all who continue to inspire others while building our province for a bright future.

### **SOMETHING TO TRY THIS WEEK!**



**WINTER WEIGHTS REMOVED LATER THIS MONTH**





Truckers are advised to closely monitor their loads when using secondary highways in Saskatchewan.

This is the time of year when truckers must reduce the weight of their loads, since all secondary highways revert back to regulation weights. This prevents damaging important roads in the spring.

"It's imperative we protect our road network at this time of year by reducing the weights trucks are allowed to carry," Highways Minister Jeremy Cockrill said. "On different occasions throughout the year, we adjust allowable weights to ensure the efficient movement of goods while protecting our highway infrastructure."

Winter weights are being removed effective Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at midnight (12:01 a.m.). Any existing winter weights will be removed and revert back to regulation weight.

[Winter Weights Removed Later This Month | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **QUINN STEVENSON MEMORIAL RINK IN GREAT SHAPE**



The [Quinn Stevenson Memorial Rink](#) is in beautiful shape thanks to a special group of volunteers. Grab your skates and soak up some sunshine on the ice.

A few friendly reminders of our rink rules:

- Family/Public Skate times at the rink are Mondays and Wednesdays, 4pm-6pm and Saturdays 10am-12pm.
- Have fun and be respectful.
- No sticks during family/public skating times or learn to skate programs. Respect the rink skating schedule as posted.
- Spend a few minutes scraping the ice.
- Shovel snow OVER the boards. When shoveled snow is left against the boards, it turns ice solid, and the volunteer crew is getting too old to shovel hard now.
- Always leave the place cleaner than you found it. Don't leave garbage and if you see some, please pick it up. There are garbage cans outside and inside the warm-up rink.
- Children and inexperienced skaters should use an approved helmet while on the ice to prevent injuries.
- Do not use the rink during unusually warm weather.
- Stay off the ice surface while it's being resurfaced

## **WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION**

# Sector Feature

## Women in Construction

- SaskJobs invites you to celebrate all women who have chosen construction as a career.



[saskatchewan.ca/saskjobs](https://saskatchewan.ca/saskjobs)

**SaskJobs** 

This week is Women in Construction Week!

The trades make up a significant portion of Saskatchewan's labour market, and this week provides an opportunity to recognize the contributions women bring to one of our largest economic drivers!

If you're looking at getting your boot in the door in the trades, SaskJobs can help! Call them today at 1-833-354-6914 or visit [saskatchewan.ca/saskjobs](https://saskatchewan.ca/saskjobs)

# HOW TO SAY GOODBYE IN **Saskatchewan**

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1. Slap thighs and say "Welp, I better skedaddle"
2. Chit-chat for another 5 minutes without getting up
3. Say "Ok, I should probably get going" and stand up
4. Make your way around the group and chit-chat with each person for 5 minutes each, and give hugs
5. Make your way to the doorway and chit-chat for another 5-10 minutes, more hugs
6. Walk to the driveway while host walks you out
7. Stand in front of car chit-chatting for another 5-10 minutes
8. Get in car and start car, roll window down, and chit-chat from car for another 2-3 minutes
9. Backup car from driveway and wave from window one last time
10. Stop in street while host asks you a question about your car
11. Continue on with one last wave
12. Host yells "Drive safe, watch for deer"

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MLA for Saskatoon Willowgrove



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*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  
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**HOME STYLES HOME SHOW IN SASKATOON THIS WEEKEND**





[HomeStyles Home Show](#) is coming up this weekend! Bring your renovation dreams to life! Be sure to grab your tickets to the show so you don't miss out! Especially if you're planning a renovation.

Friday, March 10 and Saturday, March 11 to see some amazing speakers on the HomeStyles Speakers' Stage!

Find ideas, inspiration and learn from local experts as they present the latest information on home design trends, creating the perfect kitchen, mortgages and financing, custom home building, aging in place, sustainability, technology, accessing rebates for energy retrofits and more!

Make sure to check the schedule on the TV's located throughout the show so you can see the full schedule.

For hours, a list of the exhibitors, and more <https://homestylesonline.com/for-consumers/>



**IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE INCLUDED IN OUR  
NEWSLETTER, PLEASE LET US KNOW!**



**GARDENSCAPE**



When: March 24 - 26

Where: Prairieland Park

Information: [Admissions & Tickets – Gardenscape \(gardenscapeshow.ca\)](https://gardenscapeshow.ca)

**CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL JEANS & JEWELS GALA**



When: May 5, 2023

Where: Prairieland Park

Information: [Gala Table - Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation  
\(pattisonchildrens.ca\)](https://pattisonchildrens.ca)

## ADDITONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES



[Government Of Saskatchewan Strengthens Oversight Of Independent Schools | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[2023 Spring Runoff Forecast for Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Saskatchewan Marks International Women's Day | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/news-and-media/2023/march/09/rock-and-roll-all-nite-with-the-right-tickets-what-you-need-to-know-before-purchasing-kiss-tickets>

[Collaboration With FSIN Enhances Police Oversight | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[New Docuseries to Feature Saskatchewan's Northern Emergency Responders | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**

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**We are not all in the  
same boat. We are in  
the same storm. Some  
have yachts, some  
canoes, and some are  
drowning. Just be  
kind and help whoever  
you can.**



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