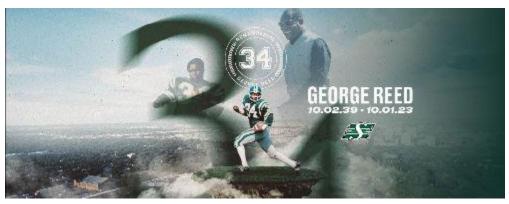


#### **REMEMBERING GEORGE REED**



"I came. I played. I stayed."

— George Reed



It is with great sadness and broken hearts that the Saskatchewan Roughriders
Football Club, Rider Nation and the entire province mourn the passing of one of its
greatest players of all time, George Reed.

A special man - a true legend - gone but never forgotten. Heartfelt sympathy to George's wife Angie, his son Keith, daughter Gorgette, and everyone who had the privilege of calling George their friend.

A beautiful tribute by Rob Vanstone

Rob Vanstone: George Reed Rushed for 16,116 yards - And went the extra mile

George Reed was the rare person who could elicit a spontaneous standing ovation by simply, unobtrusively walking into a room.

I saw it happen, multiple times, and it was as amazing as the man himself.

George always looked surprised, bordering on embarrassed, by the attention and adulation he did not court but routinely received.

Not for a moment, in all the time we were blessed to know him, did the Saskatchewan Roughriders icon perceive himself to be a big deal — which, of course, he was.

Over a remarkable life that spanned 84 years, less a day, he was recognized and revered to an extent that few people can imagine, let alone handle.

A mere enumeration of all the awards, achievements and accolades, in one voluminous file, could slow down the Internet.

This is someone, remember, who in 1978 received our country's highest civilian honour — the Order of Canada.

And — get this — he was recognized in that manner for reasons that didn't have anything to do with football, and that had everything to do with his tireless contributions to charities and the community.

Some of the initiatives were well-known, but he always found time (how, I have no idea) to help out with, say, the Massey School Home and School Association.

First and foremost, he was a proud husband (to Angie), father (to Keith, Vicki and Georgette) and friend (to everyone from Ron Lancaster to a starstruck fan).

It was like interacting with royalty and, as many times as it was my privilege to be around him, that little voice inside my head never stopped spluttering, "That's George Reed!"

It started in the summer of 1972, when I was eight years old and No. 34 was in his 10th season as a Roughrider.

I was attending the Hicke Brothers Hockey School. Before the first session, I toted my porous goaltending equipment into the lobby of the Kinsmen Arena and saw (gasp!) George Reed, sitting inside the office.

Just like that, anything pertaining to hockey — ostensibly the reason for my presence — was unimportant.

After all, I was just a few feet away from GEORGE REED!

"Go up to him and get an autograph," Mom said, as I hesitated. "Go on!"

Tentatively, I made my way toward the office and was greeted with a robust "Hi buddy!" He instantly put me at ease.

More than a half-century has elapsed since my goals-against average approached the century mark, but I still have a vivid recollection of that first encounter with the greatest fullback ever.

Sadly, other "where were you when ...?" moments also come flooding back, with precision.

Read the entire article here: Rob Vanstone: George Reed rushed for 16,116 yards — and went the extra mile - Saskatchewan Roughriders (riderville.com)

#### WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING WEEKEND



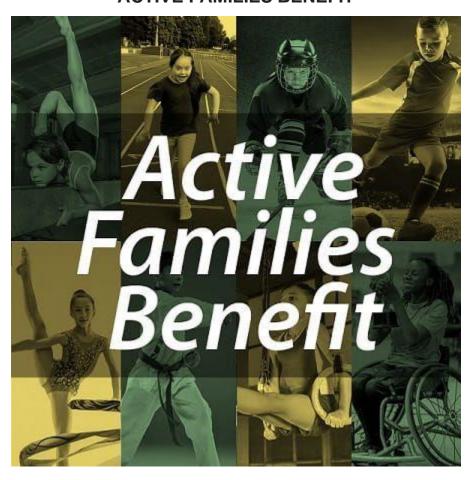
Thanksgiving Day in Canada has been a holiday on the second Monday of October since 1957. It is a chance for people to give thanks for a good harvest and other fortunes in the past year.

I hope this Thanksgiving finds you with plenty of reasons to be thankful. Enjoy family and friends and take a few moments to give thanks to everyone who has sacrificed to make our world a better place. Appreciation can change the moment,

the day or even change a life! This is a special weekend to celebrate peace while reflecting on how fortunate we are to live in Saskatchewan.

This Thanksgiving weekend in Saskatchewan, we are grateful that most farmers have their crops in the bin. We wish those that haven't completed harvest good weather. Agriculture has always been and continues to be one of the key drivers of economic growth in Saskatchewan.

# HELPING KEEP LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE THROUGH THE ACTIVE FAMILIES BENEFIT



The Government of Saskatchewan is reminding families with children and youth participating in sports, culture, and recreation that they can access the Active Families Benefit, a tax credit that helps keep these activities more affordable.

"The Active Families Benefit helps ensure that children's activities remain affordable and accessible for Saskatchewan families," Premier Scott Moe said. "Our government is committed to ensuring youth can continue to be involved in sport, recreation and cultural activities, which helps build strong families and strong communities across our province."



The benefit is available to families with an annual income up to \$60,000. They can receive up to \$150 per year, for each child 18 years or younger, or \$200 per year for children who are eligible for the federal Child Disability Tax Credit. Eligible families claim the benefit when they file their taxes.



"The Active Families Benefit ensures that the families who need it the most can access it," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Laura Ross said. "Parents who enroll their children in sport, culture and recreation activities in 2023 are reminded to keep their receipts, so they may claim the benefit when they file their 2024 taxes next spring."

Helping Keep Life More Affordable Through the Active Families Benefit | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

### INCREASE IN WAGES FOR CERTIFIED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS BEGINNING OCTOBER



Beginning October 1st, certified Early Childhood Educators will be getting a wage increase of up to \$2.50 per hour through the Canada-Saskatchewan Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement; an increase of 8 per cent on average.

This investment is part of the Government of Saskatchewan's efforts to support the development and growth of the early childhood sector.

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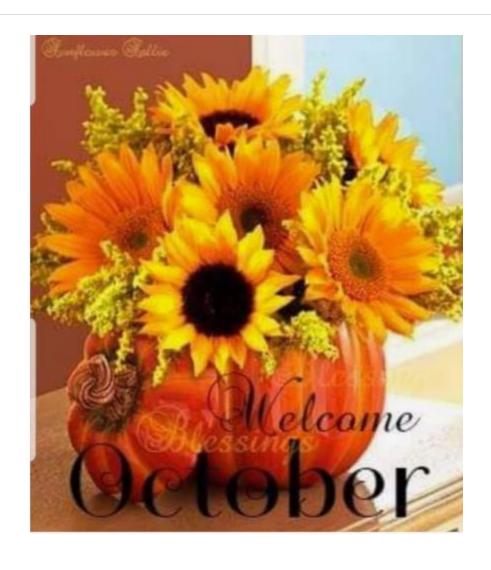
**BUILDING NEW SCHOOLS ACROSS SASKATCHEWAN** 



Since 2008, the Government of Saskatchewan has committed approximately \$2.4 billion toward school infrastructure projects. These projects include 60 new schools and 30 major renovation projects.

In the past two weeks alone, three schools celebrated their grand openings in Lloydminster, Regina, Blaine Lake.

We are committed to continuing to build more schools in communities across our province to protect the opportunities for our future generations.



SMOKE ALARMS AVAILABLE FOR DEAF OR HARD-OF-HEARING INDIVIDUALS



saskpublicsafety.ca



Smoke Alarms save lives, but those who are deaf or hard-of-hearing cannot depend on the sound of the regular alarm to alert them to a fire.

Strobe lights flash when the smoke alarm sounds. The lights warn people of a fire. A bed shaker is another method to inform someone of a fire. The shaker is activated by the sound of a smoke alarm.

For added safety, interconnect all the smoke alarms. If one sounds, they all sound and this gives people more time to escape.

# SASKATCHEWAN RECOGNIZES FIRST TEST YOUR SMOKE ALARM DAY



Last week, the Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed September 28, 2023, Test Your Smoke Alarm Day in the province.

Test Your Smoke Alarm Day is a prevention campaign that encourages residents to properly install and maintain their smoke alarms. This is fundamental to ensure that occupants are warned of a fire and have the time needed to escape.

This year's theme, *Saved by the Beep*, reminds everyone to change the batteries in their smoke alarms at least once a year, or whenever the low-battery warning sounds.

"We encourage all residents to learn more about smoke alarms, home fire escape planning and fire safety," Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Paul Merriman said. "Having a working smoke alarm won't just save your life - it's the law."

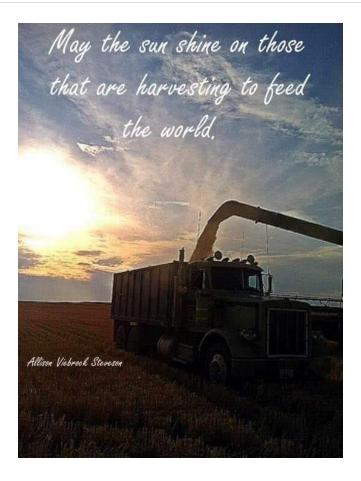
As of July 2022, all Saskatchewan residential buildings are required to have working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms.

"This is the first of what we hope will become an annual national campaign," Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency President and Fire Commissioner Marlo Pritchard said. "We want to acknowledge the Ontario Fire Marshal's office and the Canadian Council of Fire Marshals and Fire Commissioners who took the initiative to launch this campaign."

#### CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 19 - 25, 2023



Many producers have wrapped up harvest with 91 per cent of the provincial crop in the bin, ahead of the five and 10-year averages of 73 per cent.



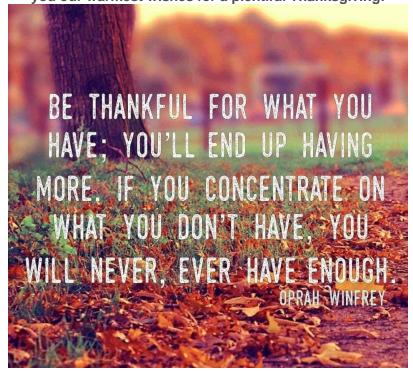
The southwest and west-central regions completed harvest this week, with 98 and 97 per cent of crops off, respectively. The northwest is 90 per cent complete, followed by the southeast at 89 per cent and northeast at 88 per cent. The east-central region has made significant progress this past week, with 82 per cent of crops off.

<u>Crop Report for the Period of September 19 to 25 2023 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

#### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



From my family to yours, I wish you blessings of health and happiness and send you our warmest wishes for a plentiful Thanksgiving!



PROTECTIVE SERVICES PERSONNEL RECOGNIZED WITH LONG SERVICE MEDALS

### Saskatchewan Protective Services Medal



This medal recognizes personnel with 25 years of exemplary service in Saskatchewan in the protective services field.

saskatchewan.ca/honoursawards



September 28, the latest recipients of the Saskatchewan Protective Services Medal were honoured by Lieutenant Governor Russ Mirasty and Provincial Secretary Don Morgan, at a ceremony in Saskatoon.

"Through their tireless efforts, protective services professionals allow us to feel safe in our communities and in our daily lives," Morgan said. "Their selfless actions embody the very essence of service and contribute immensely to bettering our province. I am honoured to be able to show thanks to these deserving recipients for their years of dedication and courage."

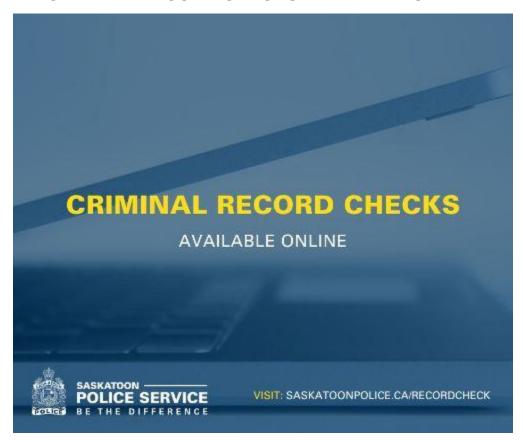
The medal honours personnel with 25 years or more of exemplary service in Saskatchewan in the protective services field. Recipients include police, fire, federal and provincial corrections, border services, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Canadian Armed Forces, as well as mobile crisis and family violence outreach services.

This year, the medal will be presented to 178 individuals from rural and urban communities across the province. In addition to the medal ceremony today in Saskatoon, another two medal ceremonies will be held in Regina on October 18, 2023.

Recipients receive a circular medal surmounted by St. Edward's Crown and a certificate signed by the Lieutenant Governor, Premier and Provincial Secretary. The medal bears the motto *Qui civitatem tuentur* (who guard the citizenry).

For more information about the Saskatchewan Protective Services Medal, including how to submit a nomination, visit <u>saskatchewan.ca/honoursawards</u>.

#### CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS AVAILABLE ONLINE



Skip the line. Apply for a criminal record check online!

www.saskatoonpolice.ca/recordcheck

PLEASE SLOW DOWN IN SCHOOL ZONES



Back to school is one month in and the SPS is reminding motorists that the 30 km/h school and playground zone speed limit is in effect year-round from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 7 days a week, including holidays.

When passing through school zones, make sure your focus is on the road.



Secure all passengers

Set your music and program your GPS before driving

#JustDrive and we can all help keep kids safe.



Watch for these zones and adjust your speed accordingly to ensure everyone makes it back to school safely next week.

www.saskatoon.ca/schoolzones

#### **CELEBRATING SASKATCHEWAN FOSTER FAMILIES**

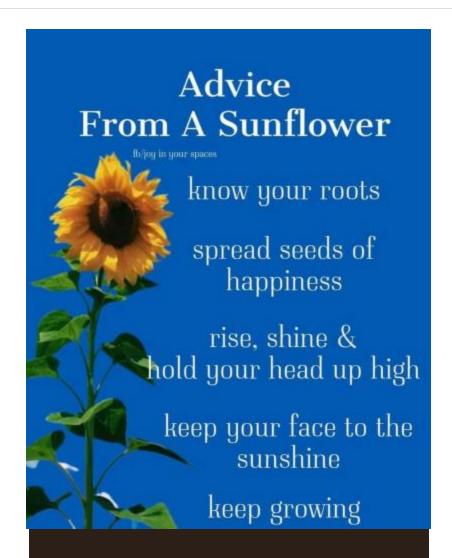


The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed October as Foster Families Month to celebrate the many contributions of foster families across the province.

"Children and youth in care need a place to call home - no matter how short or long their stay," Social Services Minister Gene Makowsky said. "Foster families help strengthen families by opening their homes and hearts to children and youth in times when their families are in crisis. I want to thank all foster families providing essential family-based care, supporting children and helping other Saskatchewan families in need."

Celebrating Saskatchewan Foster Families | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

**DID YOU KNOW?** 



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

that sunflowers are not just pretty faces? They're often planted to help clean up contaminated soil.

Sunflowers are known as phytoremediators, meaning they can absorb and accumulate heavy metals and toxins from the soil, effectively detoxifying it. These cheerful flowers not only brighten up gardens but also contribute to environmental cleanup efforts!

**KEEP IN TOUCH** 



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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.

### SASKATOON FALL CAMPING TIPS AND EXPERIENCES IN AND AROUND THE CITY



It is unbelievable to believe that summer is over but that doesn't mean camping is! Check out our most recent blog, where we provide you tips and experiences in and around the city for fall camping adventures.

https://www.tourismsaskatoon.com/.../saskatoon-fall.../

#### **BEAUTIFUL SASKATOON!**



This photo is just stunning. Photo taken by <a href="https://www.instagram.com/rahab">https://www.instagram.com/rahab</a> photography/</a>
Saskatchewan On Track To Exceed Target Of Re-Building 100 Bridges Over Four Years | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

**NSBA LESSONS I'VE LEARNED - OCTOBER 3** 



Name: NSBA's 17th Annual Lessons I've Learned, Presented by KPMG (Oct 3, 2023)

Date: October 3, 2023

Time: 4:30 PM - 9:00 PM CST

Registration: Sorry, online registration for this event has been closed. Please call 306.242.3060.

#### **PUMPKIN MAZE OPEN AT DUTCH GROWERS**



**Dutch Growers popular Pumpkin Maze is OPEN!** 

A great place to take your school groups? Visit our website under 'Services' to book your group of 10+ in. The maze is FREE 7 days a week!

#### **ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES**



Saskatchewan On Track To Exceed Target Of Re-Building 100 Bridges Over Four Years | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

SGI Extends Driver's Licence Reciprocity To 24 European Countries | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

\$1.36 Million In Charitable Gaming Grants Paid To Community Groups Across Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Walking the Path to Reconciliation in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Former SLGA Store To Become Expansion For Battlefords RCMP Detachment | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Weyburn Family Resource Centre Now Has Location To Call Their Own | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Animal Health Week Proclaimed in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

<u>Construction Begins on the Grenfell Long-Term Care Home | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

Bridge In La Ronge Area Now Known As Reconciliation Bridge | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

#### THOUGHT OF THE DAY



Every minute someone leaves this world behind.
We're all in "the queue" without knowing it.
We will never know how many people are ahead of us.
We can't move to the bottom of the row.

We can't get out of line.
We can't avoid the queue.
So while we wait in line.
Make the moments count!
Make priorities.

Make the time.

Let your qualities be known. Make people feel important.

Make your voice heard.

Make big things out of small things.

Make someone smile.

Make the change.

Make love.

Make Peace.

Get it together.

Make sure you tell your people you love them. Make sure you have no regrets.

Make sure you're ready.

Very true.

Live life and let live, enjoy, be grateful, don't waste time arguing, fighting in doing bad things life is short, live it,

### be humble, love yourself and be happy with what you have.

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