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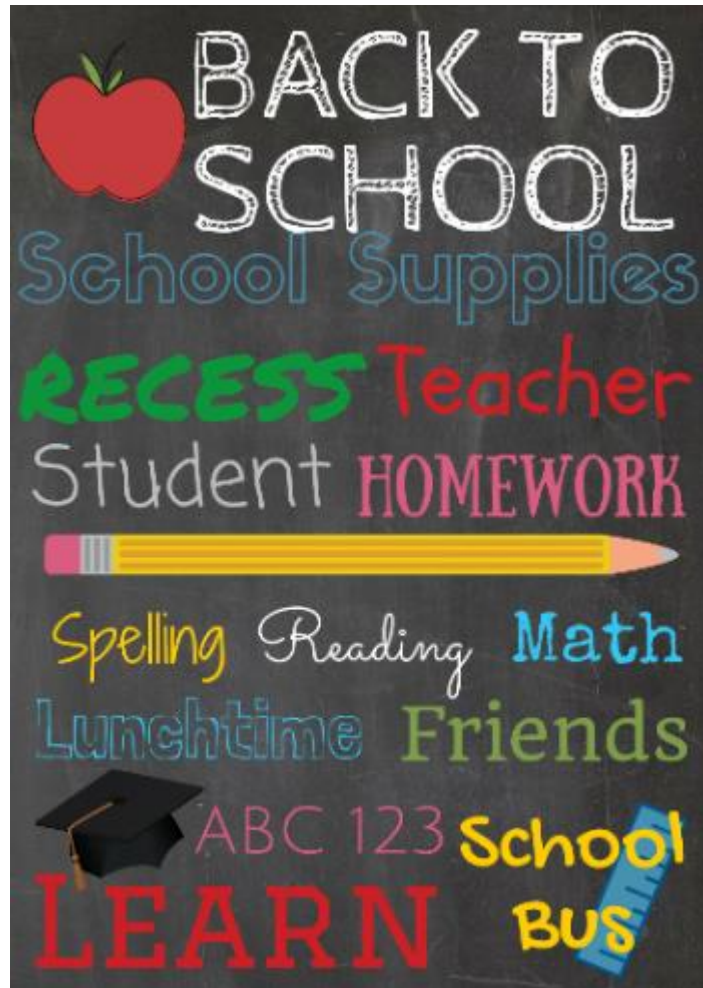
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WISHING YOU AN ENJOYABLE LABOUR DAY WEEKEND!



Whether you're farming, visiting one of our beautiful Saskatchewan Parks or staying in your community to participate in various events, enjoy your weekend and be safe. **Go Riders!**

BACK TO SCHOOL 2018!



It has been a beautiful Saskatchewan summer. I hope teachers & support staff enjoyed a well deserved break. I'm sure the students are eager to get back to school to see their friends and begin another new school year.

I've had the following article in a previous newsletter but felt this was a good time to share it again. Kids often have a tough time making the back-to-school transition. I hope you will find the following information helpful:

- As with any new or potentially unsettling situation — like starting school for the first time or entering a new grade or new school — allow kids time to adjust. Remind them that everyone feels a little nervous about the first day of school and that it will all become an everyday routine in no time.

- It's important to talk to kids about what worries them and offer reassurance: Are they afraid they won't make new friends or get along with their teachers? Is the thought of schoolwork stressing them out? Are they worried about the bully from last year?
- We all have a critical role to play in building and promoting respectful and kind behaviour in our schools and communities Acts of bullying, harassment, intimidation and violence have a profound effect on an individual's feeling of safety and self-worth. I encourage everyone to work together to prevent bullying in our schools, communities and online.
- To help ease back-to-school butterflies, try to transition kids into a consistent school-night routine a few weeks before school starts. Also make sure that they:

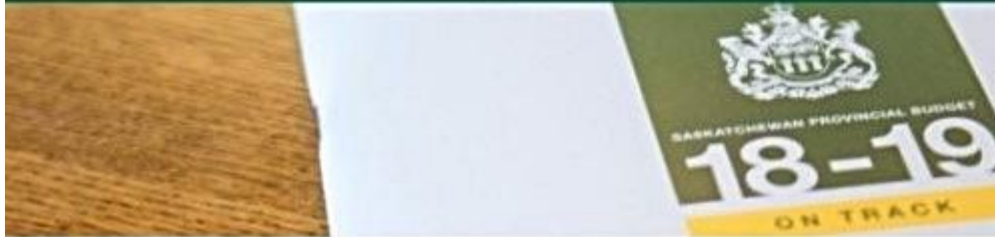
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- get enough sleep (establish a reasonable bedtime so that they'll be well-rested and ready to learn in the morning)
- eat a healthy breakfast (they're more alert and do better in school if they eat a breakfast every day)
- use a wall calendar or personal planner to record when assignments are due, tests will be given, extracurricular practices and rehearsals will be held, etc.
- have them organize and set out what they need the night before (homework and books should be put in their backpacks by the door and clothes should be laid out in their bedrooms)

PLEASE ... REMEMBER TO SLOW DOWN IN SCHOOL ZONES!

BUDGET ON TRACK AT FIRST QUARTER

Saskatchewan's 2018-19 Budget: On Track



- ✓ **Returning to balanced budget** by next year, 2019-20.
- ✓ **Controlling government spending**, reduced number of government vehicles, and one health region savings while improving front-line care.
- ✓ **Delivering high quality services** for Saskatchewan people, with new individualized funding for autism, HIV-drug coverage, and hearing-loss screening for newborns.
- ✓ **Maintaining competitive taxes**, including no increase to tax rates, and *no carbon tax*.
- ✓ **Targeted incentives to grow our economy**, like in value-added agriculture, technology start-ups, and diversifying the mineral sector.
- ✓ **Maintaining investment in Saskatchewan infrastructure**, like new hospitals, schools, passing lanes, Regina Bypass & North Commuter Bridge.

Saskatchewan's 2018-19 Budget remains on track, with a deficit of \$306 million projected at first quarter, \$59 million less than the original budget projection of \$365 million.

"Three months into the fiscal year, we're seeing a growing economy and an improving fiscal picture," Finance Minister Donna Harpauer said. "Our government continues to manage spending carefully, invest in priorities for Saskatchewan people, shift from our reliance on volatile resource revenue and help keep our economy strong."

The lower deficit is attributable to a higher revenue forecast—up \$172 million from budget due to higher net income from Government Business Enterprises and higher non-renewable resource revenue. This is partially offset by a \$112 million increase in expense due to higher health-care utilization, more spending for child and family services, higher-than-expected firefighting costs, and an increase in pension expense reflecting changes in interest rates and actuarial assumptions.

Saskatchewan's economy is showing signs of strengthening. The value of oil production increased eight per cent through the first four months of 2018, over the same period last year. Potash production increased 11.3 per cent in the first quarter of 2018 over the same period last year. Total manufacturing sales have increased by 11.1 per cent so far this year, and international exports are up by four per cent. The population is growing, reaching 1,171,240 on April 1, 2018, a year-over-year increase of 11,691.

"Our economy grew for the first time in two years last year and while it is early, we continue to see some positive signals this year. In terms of our fiscal plan there is still work to do, but we are on course to return the province to balance by 2019-20," Harpauer said.

MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS UNDERWAY IN CENTRAL AND WEST CENTRAL SASKATCHEWAN



More than \$90 million worth of construction is in progress in central and west central areas of Saskatchewan, which includes major capital investments such as twinning and maintenance work like seal coating. "Historic investments in roads across the province is a staple of our government," Highways and Infrastructure Minister Lori Carr said. "I remind travelers to pay attention and be patient in work zones. Obey signs and slow down, so everyone can get home safely."

Saskatchewan highways projects include:

- Construction on new passing lanes on Highway 4 between North Battleford and Cochin;

- Grading for future twinning around Vanscoy on Highway 7;
- Construction of new overpasses on Highways 11 and 12 near Martensville and Warman;
- Surfacing on Highway 26 and several culvert installations between the Vawn access and Edam;
- About 10 km of surface improvements on Highway 51 about 10 km west of the Highway 4 junction; and
- Seal coating near Glaslyn and Macklin.

Read the news release [here](#).

PREMIER MOE ANNOUNCES CABINET CHANGES



Premier Moe August 15th announced changes to his cabinet including a new Agriculture Minister and a new Minister of Highways and Infrastructure following the resignation of Lyle Stewart from cabinet for health reasons.

- David Marit becomes Minister of Agriculture. Marit previously served as Minister of Highways and Infrastructure.
- Lori Carr becomes Minister of Highways and Infrastructure. Carr previously served as Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Finance and Government Deputy Whip.
- Deputy Premier Gordon Wyant remains Minister of Education, while adding responsibility for SaskBuilds.

“I am confident that both Dave and Lori will bring an important perspective to their new portfolios, and I look forward to working with them as we stand up for Saskatchewan” said Moe. “I would also like to thank our Deputy Premier as he takes on additional responsibility in an incredibly important file to our province’s infrastructure needs. Lyle Stewart will remain a strong mentor and advisor to our cabinet when it comes to supporting our agriculture sector while we stand with him in his battle against cancer.”

Stewart previously announced he was stepping down as Saskatchewan’s Minister of Agriculture to focus on his battle with cancer. Stewart will remain as MLA for Lumsden-Morse.

Premier Moe also announced that Lisa Lambert becomes Government Deputy Whip.

SASKGAMING'S CHARITY CHAMPIONSHIP IS BACK - WITH A NEW TWIST!



Grab your running shoes, three friends and get registered for SaskGaming’s third-annual Charity Championship, taking place on September 21 at Casino Regina.

This year’s event features an “Amazing Race” style competition that allows up to 50 teams of four to compete in scavenger hunts, puzzles and fun team challenges at locations throughout downtown Regina. Teams earn points for each completed challenge as they vie for a piece of the \$25,000 prize pool for a charity or non-profit of their choice.

“Since 2016, Charity Championship has raised more than \$142,000 for Saskatchewan charities and non-profits,” Minister Responsible for SaskGaming Christine Tell said. “This event is an exciting way for the corporation to foster its mission of giving back to the people of this province.”

Charity Championship teams will fundraise before the event. The more money a team raises, the

more advantages they will receive in the competition. All funds raised will be endowed to the team's charity or non-profit of choice.

"SaskGaming's brand promise is an 'Always Entertaining' experience," SaskGaming President and CEO Susan Flett said. "Charity Championship marries fun with fundraising and offers a unique way to engage Saskatchewan people's generous and giving spirit."

For more information about Charity Championship or to register a team, please visit casinoregina.com/promotions/charity-championship

NUTRIEN FIREWORKS FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND



The hub of activity for the Nutrien Fireworks Festival is Saskatoon's spectacular River Landing.

Saskatoon's Nutrien Fireworks Festival takes place this Labour Day Weekend on August 31 and September 1, 2018 from 5:00-9:30 pm in River Landing I and River Landing II. This free festival offers whimsical and playful experiences for all ages to enjoy, including the SGI Family Fun Zone and SGI Safety Fair taking place in River Landing II, and food and art vendors, and many fantastic cultural performances and entertainment taking place in River Landing I. Join thousands who will emerge on to the river's edge for fun, food and entertainment, before being wowed by spectacular fireworks displays that are choreographed to music. It's an experience you will not want to miss!

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 14 - 20, 2018



Another week of warm and dry weather has allowed producers to make great strides in the field, according to Saskatchewan Agriculture's weekly Crop Report.

Sixteen per cent of the 2018 crop is now in the bin, up from five per cent last week and significantly ahead of the five-year (2013-2017) average of seven per cent for this time of year. Twenty-two per cent of the crop is now swathed or ready to straight-cut. Reported yields vary greatly, depending on moisture received in the past few months.

Seventy-five per cent of the fall rye, 57 per cent of the winter wheat, 55 per cent of the field peas and lentils, 24 per cent of the mustard, 16 per cent of the barley, 14 per cent of the durum, five per cent of the spring wheat and soybeans, and three per cent of the canola are now in the bin. An additional 29 per cent of the canola and 14 per cent of the mustard are swathed or ready to straight-cut.

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

ENSURING HIGHWAY SAFETY DURING HARVEST A PRIORITY



With harvest underway, the Government of Saskatchewan is reminding farmers and motorists to keep safety as a top priority during this busy period. “Nice weather makes for a busy time on the farm in Saskatchewan,” Minister of Highways and Infrastructure Lori Carr said. “By planning ahead and taking the appropriate steps, we can help limit the safety risks connected to harvest.”

To help improve safety:

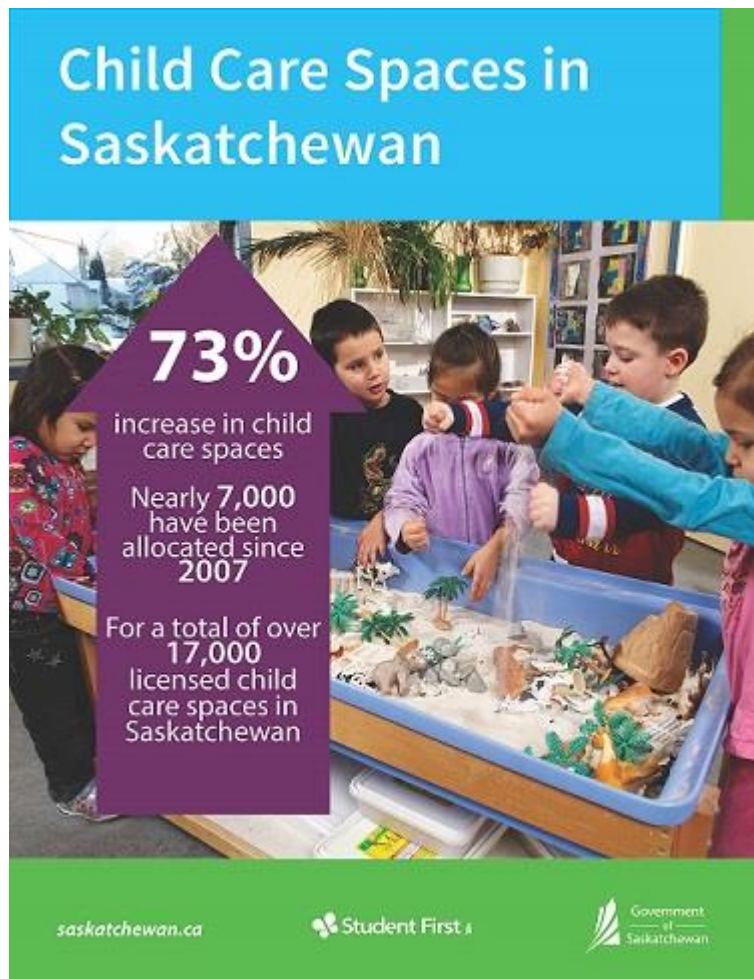
- take extra precautions when passing slow-moving farm equipment;
- be respectful of other drivers, as slow-moving vehicles can cause frustration;
- ensure lights are working and adjusted before moving farm equipment on public highways;
- know all height, length and weight restrictions on farm vehicles and when permits may be required; and
- regularly inspect and maintain equipment.

Producers who operate heavy trucks must comply with many of the same rules and regulations as commercial vehicle operators. Vehicles may be inspected by Saskatchewan Highway Patrol officers, which may take up to an hour.

“While we want to keep people moving during the busy harvest, we also must ensure all vehicles are in safe operating order,” Carr said.

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

PROVINCE ALLOCATES MORE THAN 400 CHILD CARE CENTRE SPACES



The Government of Saskatchewan has allocated the remaining licensed child care centre spaces as part of the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement. Today's announcement provides a total of 447 spaces in the communities of Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert, Beauval, and Vonda. Signed earlier this year, the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement provides nearly \$41 million over three years to improve early learning and child care in Saskatchewan, including the development of 1,015 licensed child care centre spaces and 1,500 licensed group and family child care home spaces. Nearly 600 spaces were allocated to communities across Saskatchewan earlier this spring.

"We are very pleased child care supports will be more accessible to communities across the province," Deputy Premier and Minister of Education Gordon Wyant said. "This investment provides more child care options to accommodate the diverse needs of Saskatchewan families."

Read the news release [here](#).

PRT INITIATIVE TO TACKLE RURAL CRIME MARKS A YEAR OF SUCCESS STORIES



This week, the Government of Saskatchewan is marking the anniversary of the Protection and Response Team (PRT), created one year ago to help reduce crime in rural Saskatchewan.

“Highway patrol officers and conservation officers are providing valuable support to the RCMP and municipal police services,” Minister of Corrections and Policing Christine Tell said. “These partnerships are helping to ensure Saskatchewan communities and families are safe.”

“Our government continues to look at innovative ways to address crime in Saskatchewan,”

Minister of Justice and Attorney General Don Morgan said. "The PRT has helped increase the presence of law enforcement in communities across our province, and we are thankful to our PRT officers from different backgrounds that have been integral to the first year of this initiative."

Read more [here](#).



Premier Scott Moe, "This past year, Saskatchewan ranked #1 in wholesale trade growth in Canada.

Trade is vitally important to so many jobs that depend on it across our province.

From food, machinery, equipment, and so many other places, our people continue to produce what a growing world needs."

[PARKINSON CANADA SUPERWALK SEPTEMBER 9TH](#)



PARKINSON CANADA SUPERWALK™

Sunday, September 9

Meewasin Park North

Registration @ 11am

Raise Money | Raise Awareness

Get Exercise | Have Fun!

www.superwalk.ca

Parkinson Canada's largest fundraiser of the year— SuperWalk—will be taking place across the province and country this September. In Saskatoon you can participate Sunday, September 9th. Please help raise money, raise awareness, get some exercise and have fun!

Special thanks to the many volunteers for their efforts!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ERINDALE ALLIANCE CHURCH COMMUNITY FUN FAIR!

 <p>ERINDALE ALLIANCE CHURCH</p> <p>Community Fun Fair</p> <p>Sunday, Sept. 9 Noon - 3:00 pm www.erindalealliance.ca</p>	<p>Join us at 310 Perehudoff Cres!</p> <p>Our Morning Worship Service starts at 10:30am followed by our FREE Community Fun Fair from Noon to 3:00pm.</p> <p>A Hot Dog Lunch will be available for purchase! For more information call 306-249-3393 or visit our website.</p> <p>It's going to be a fun filled day!</p> <p>Pony Rides • Petting Zoo • Bounce Houses • Popcorn • Sno-Kones Cotton Candy • Treat Bags • Fun Fair Games • Gift Basket Draws</p>
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The Erindale Alliance Church Community Fun Fair is always such a great event for families in our community. Please try to attend the many activities available at the Fun Fair. See you there!

WE NEED A FAIR TRADE SOON!



Premier Scott Moe, "Our nation is at a very important moment in relations with our largest trading partner. So much of Canada's economy depends on this relationship – 55% of our exports go to, and 85% our imports come from, the United States. We need a fair trade deal and we need it soon."

Read the CBC article [here](#). Photo credit CBC.



Impaired is impaired. It has been, and continues to be, illegal to drive while impaired by ANY substance.

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Impaired driving

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#Take care out there

You should never get behind the wheel if you have had any substance that alters your thinking and will impact your ability to drive safely.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO TAKE IN ANOTHER SHOW AND SHINE!



You're invited to attend the annual NuFab Show & Shine, sponsoring The Ronald McDonald House coming up on [Saturday, September 15, 2018](#) from 10 am -2 pm.

It has been another great season for car shows. Recently, the Warman Home Centre Car Show had an incredible 8th year on July 21st! The annual "Warman Home Centre Car Show" is Warman Home Centre's largest community event of the year. For the past 8 years, Warman Home Centre has hosted the annual Car Show in support of the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital of Saskatchewan (JPCHF). Money is raised through raffle tickets, a 50/50 draw, and collecting donations from a BBQ lunch. 100% of the proceeds are donated to JPCHF. The numbers are in and the Warman Home Centre car show held July 21st raised \$11,828.47 for the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital foundation!

For several other car shows, see the final schedule which marks the end of the shows for 2018 below. The organizers express a heartfelt thanks to all participants, sponsors and those attending. Everyone contributed to making 2018 a great success!

Sept 1 Shifters Car Club/A & W Hop Nites/8th Street, Saskatoon

Sept 1 Wadena Town & Country Fair Show & Shine, Wadena

Sept 8 A & W Show & Shine, Martensville

Sept 8 Saskatoon Camaro Club A & W Cruise Nites, Stonebridge, Saskatoon

Sept 9 Circle Drive Alliance Church Show & Shine and Fall Kick-off, Saskatoon

Sept 15 NuFab Builders Annual Show & Shine, Saskatoon

*** All proceeds from NuFab Show & Shine going to Ronald McDonald House**

Sept 22 Kindersley 46th Annual Show & Shine, Kindersley

Sept 22 Dusty Wheels 30th Annual Car Show & Shine, Rosetown

Oct 6 Coachman Car Club Fall Roundup, Warman

For more information visit: autoevents.ca OR cruisecalendar.ca or contact:

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REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



Summer is always a great time to get back to our communities, reach out to constituents and gather feedback on how we can work together to build a better province.

Whether it is fighting the carbon tax or fixing Canada's flawed equalization program, your government will always stand with the people of this great province.

Right now we need to bring attention to a troublesome piece of legislation for our natural

resource sector.

The federal government's Bill C-69 has pulled the plug on Energy East; a \$15 billion pipeline project that would create jobs and unlock more economic growth in Canada.

By considering changes like upstream and downstream emissions for pipeline projects, Bill C-69 will cause delays, add more costs, and undermine the future investment we need in Canada's energy sector.

Former [TransCanada](#) CEO Hal Kvisle refers to Bill C-69 as "an absolutely devastating piece of legislation" and went on to say "I don't believe any competent pipeline company would submit an application if Bill C-69 comes into force."

Our government's focus is improving competitiveness, by opposing a carbon tax and building increased pipeline capacity for our oil exports. We will not support a bill that delivers another body blow to our energy industry.

With harvest now in full swing and many students and families preparing for back to school, this is getting to be a busy time in households across Saskatchewan.

I sincerely hope you have had an opportunity to enjoy some recreation and relaxation this summer.

Saskatchewan's provincial parks continue to be an important destination for many of us, attracting visitors and bringing economic benefits to the entire province.

Saskatchewan is investing more than \$11 million for various parks improvements this year, increasing our total investment to nearly \$110 million since 2008.

Highways have been another focus of our government with a variety of safety improvement and enhancement projects currently underway.

Our province has invested more than \$8.4 billion in highways and infrastructure since 2008, improving more than 13,000 kilometres of highways.

Shovels have also been hitting the ground on important housing projects this summer as we continue to support those in greatest housing need.

Since 2007, the Government of Saskatchewan has invested more than \$770 million to develop or

repair almost 16,000 housing units across our province.

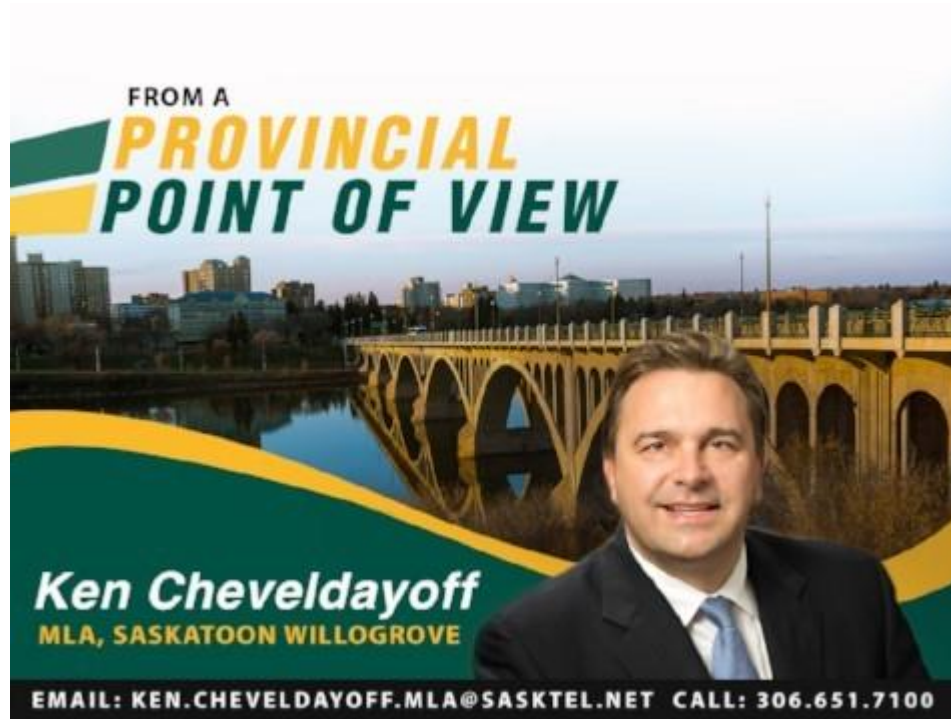
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Signed earlier this year, the agreement includes the development of 1,015 licensed child care centre spaces and 1,500 licensed group and family child care home spaces.

Nearly 7,000 new spaces have been allocated across the province since 2007 –a 73% increase– for a total of more than 17,000 licensed child care spaces in Saskatchewan.

Even at a time of fiscal restraint, our government continues to support the priorities of Saskatchewan people through major investments in health care, education, social services, and the protection of people and property.

Today our plan to reduce the province's reliance on resource revenue, control and carefully manage spending, and achieve a balanced budget by 2019-20 is on track. Together we will keep Saskatchewan growing strong now and into the future.



THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Pray for everyone who fights wildfires



For all our firefighters..We Thank You!

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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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