

Provincial Point of View February 20, 2014

SASKATOON FESTIVAL OF EDUCATION 2014 - "A GREAT SCHOOL FOR EVERY KID"



The Saskatoon Festival of Education will be held in Saskatoon today, Thursday, February 20. This new event is a partnership between the Saskatoon Teachers' Association, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools and Saskatoon Public Schools.

The Festival's theme is building "A Great School for Every Kid!" Parents and caregivers can help do that. Their inspiration, passion and challenge statements are as follows:

- One of Saskatoon's greatest assets is our 100 schools. We are inspired by the kids
 growing and learning within them. We are celebrating the wonderful work that is
 happening in our schools and accepting the challenge of making them the best in the
 world.
- Saskatoon is booming; booming with people passionate about helping kids. This festival
 is about connecting these passionate people to look after Saskatoon's greatest assets,
 our kids!

 We need everyone's help to build "A Great School for Every Kid". There is nothing more important to the future of Saskatoon than what is happening in our classrooms. How can you help us meet this challenge?

I look forward to stopping in to participate in this outstanding festival. I encourage all of you to check out the many inspiring world-renowned education experts that will be presenting. It will be an excellent opportunity for members of our school communities to experience all sectors of our city where education intersects: health, government, industry, arts, First Nations and Métis, and citizenship.

Saskatchewan's Minister of Education Don Morgan will attend, along with Don Atchison, Mayor of Saskatoon, as well as many other dignitaries and citizens who have a stake in making a great school for every kid.

For more information visit www.saskedfest.ca

Thank you to our educators for the work and organization of this festival and all they do to make our schools some of the best in the world!

STATEMENT FROM PREMIER BRAD WALL ON UKRAINE

I am troubled and appalled by the violent and brutal acts the world has witnessed in recent days in Ukraine. My condolences go out to families of those who were killed; and, my thoughts and prayers are with those who have been injured as a result of these violent acts.

My colleagues and I stand in support of a free and democratic Ukraine, where freedom of expression and the rule of law are guaranteed. We join with so many others around the world in calling for dialogue between the government and the opposition to resolve this matter peacefully.

We continue to support the efforts of the Government of Canada, the Ukrainian Canadian Congress and the Ukrainian community as they work in assisting and supporting a resolution to this conflict.

Statement From the Premier Brad Wall on Ukraine



This week has been exciting not only in Sochi but right here in Saskatchewan.

Canada continues to make us proud at the Olympics in Sochi. What a fantastic display of talent and sportsmanship.

This week in Saskatchewan our local athletes are in Prince Albert at the Saskatchewan Winter Games. The Honourable Kevin Doherty was there to kick off the official opening of the games last weekend.

The Mission Statement, "To host a celebration of sport and cultural excellence promoting fair play and a healthy lifestyle while creating a legacy of enhanced facilities, an enriching experience for all participants and fans as well as the broader reputation of Prince Albert as a sports and cultural destination of choice" will be observed throughout the games.

This is a celebration of sport and cultural excellence promoting fair play and a healthy lifestyle while creating a legacy of enhanced facilities, an enriching experience for all participants and fans which is certainly aligned to their vision, "Through our efforts of hosting a successful athlete centered games we will inspire dreams, build champions, instil community pride, and create long-lasting friendships and lifetime memories while advancing sport development and cultural awareness".

Good Luck to all participants in the 2014 Winter Games!

INVITATION TO THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

BUDGET ADDRESS

As MLA for Saskatoon Silver Springs, please accept this as my personal invitation to attend the Budget Address on Wednesday, March 19 at 1:30 p.m.

The Honourable Ken Krawetz, Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance will deliver the 2014 - 2015 Budget Address in the Legislative Assembly Chamber at 1:30 p.m.

I have a limited number of invitations available. To reserve your spot, email or call my MLA office as soon as possible. Call 306 651 7100 or email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net. You will receive confirmation once your email is received.

If attending, we ask that you be at the Legislative Building no later than 1:00 p.m., March 19. A tea will follow the Budget Address.

2013 MARKED A RECORD YEAR FOR WHOLESALE TRADE

Saskatchewan's wholesalers had a banner year in 2013, hitting \$23.8 billion in trade, the highest ever recorded on an annual basis. Seasonally unadjusted, wholesale trade was up by 8.4 per cent in 2013 over 2012, the highest percentage increase among the provinces. Nationally, wholesale trade was up only 1.2 per cent.

"We know Saskatchewan's economy had a very successful 2013 and wholesale trade helped to contribute to what was a good year," Economy Minister Bill Boyd said. "As the figures roll in, the good economic news is helpful in attracting new people and investment to the province."

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SASKATCHEWAN PROCLAIMS APPROVED PRIVATE SERVICE HOME WEEK

Saskatchewan is pleased to celebrate the contribution of approved private service home providers during Approved Private Service Home Week from February 17-23.

Approved home providers care for and support residents with cognitive, mental health or physical disabilities and assist them to continue to reside in family home settings throughout the province.

"Approved home providers and their families share their homes and their lives with some of our province's most vulnerable citizens," Social Services Minister June Draude said. "I am pleased to recognize their efforts to help make Saskatchewan the best place to live in Canada for people with disabilities."

"Providing a caring home environment and a strong community connection is essential for those living in our mental health approved homes," Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. "Our government is committed to patient- and family-centered care that supports our growth agenda goal of improving the quality of life for all Saskatchewan people."

Saskatchewan Proclaims Approved Private Service Home Week

DID YOU KNOW...

- ... The last gold medal made entirely of gold was given in 1912.
- ... It wasn't until 1900 that women were allowed to participate in the Olympic Games.
- ... According to Amazon, the most highlighted Kindle books are the *Bible*, the Steve Jobs biography, and *The Hunger Games*.

JUST THE LINKS

February 14, 2014 - Potash Poses Challenge at Third Quarter

February 14, 2014 - Manufacturing Sales Reach Record Highs in December

February 14, 2014 - Saskatchewan Continues to Invest in Heritage Projects

COMING EVENTS

2014 Model Train Show

Date: February 22 & 23

Where: Western Development Museum When: 9 am - 5 pm; 9 am - 4:30 pm

Silverspring Community Association Meeting

Date: February 25

Where: Silverspring School

When: 8 pm

Telemiracle 38

Date: March 1 & 2

Where: Conexus Arts Centre in Regina; Broadcasted on CTV When: Starting March 1 at 8 pm and ending March 2 at 5 pm

Saskatoon Sports and Leisure Show

Date: March 6 - 9

Where: Prairieland Park

When: 6 pm - 10 pm; 12 pm - 9 pm; 10 am - 5 pm; 10 am - 5 pm

PotashCorp University Cup

Date: March 20 - 23

Where: Credit Union Centre

When: Daily

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man."

~ George Washington

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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.

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Silver Springs. 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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