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

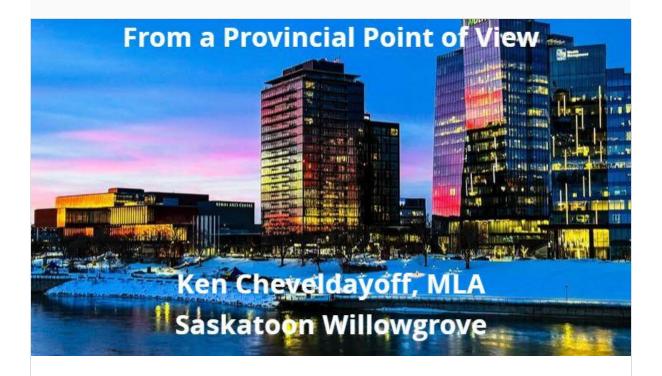


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PREMIER LEADS DELEGATION OF SASKATCHEWAN INDUSTRY LEADERS TO WASHINGTON



Premier Scott Moe, "This week I have returned to Washington with Saskatchewan Industry leaders to continue our efforts in de-escalating the threat of potential tariffs from our largest trading partner, the United States.

We will continue to highlight the mutual benefits that our countries have when working together.

This advocacy is crucial to strengthening key relationships and emphasizing how highly integrated both economies are."

Premier Scott Moe is leading a mission to Washington, D.C. alongside several Saskatchewan businesses and organizations. The delegation will meet with U.S. decision makers and business leaders to underscore the importance of a strong integrated economy.

"Saskatchewan companies play a critical role in North American food and energy security," Moe said. "I am returning to Washington to continue our efforts in deescalating the threat of potential tariffs from, our largest trading partner, the U.S. The relationship between our jurisdictions has mutual benefit, and we are working with key stakeholders, industry leaders and government representatives on both sides of the border to build and protect our economies."

Saskatchewan's delegation includes representatives from Cameco, Evraz, Arizona Lithium, Cenovus, Whitecap Resources, Enbridge, North American Helium and the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce.

Minister of Agriculture Daryl Harrison is also traveling to Washington to attend the 2025 Winter Policy Conference of the National Association of State Department of Agriculture (NASDA) this week. The conference offers a unique opportunity to meet with state secretaries, commissioners and directors of agriculture, industry leaders and federal representatives to talk pressing agriculture and food policy issues.

"The future of Saskatchewan's agricultural sector is built on strong international relationships and our trade mission to the U.S. reinforces our commitment to open markets and collaboration," Harrison said. "Attending NASDA's Winter Policy Conference allows us to showcase Saskatchewan's world-class agri-food products and the contribution we make to North American competitiveness and food security, and to strengthen partnerships and advocate for policies that benefit our producers."

This advocacy is crucial to strengthening key relationships and emphasizing how highly integrated both economies are.

"Canada and the United States have a long-standing, positive commercial relationship in the civilian nuclear sector that has spurred economic growth and increased both energy and national security," Cameco CEO Tim Gitzel said. "The Trump Administration's pursuit of energy dominance and its support for domestic nuclear power will require Saskatchewan uranium - and Cameco's expertise and capacity across the nuclear fuel cycle."

The U.S. is Saskatchewan's largest and most important trading partner. About \$40 billion worth of imports and exports cross the border every year. Canada and U.S. are much stronger when operating in a tariff-free environment.

"Our Chamber colleagues in the United States share our commitment to open and mutually beneficial trade relationships, and today, we reaffirm that shared priority," Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce CEO Prabha Ramaswamy said. "Through this mission, we aim to shape perspectives and inform decision-making by highlighting the economic consequences of tariffs on both of our economies."

In 2024, Saskatchewan's top exports to the U.S. were crude oil (\$12.5 billion), potash (\$4.2 billion), and canola oil (\$2.9 billion). Agri-food products represented 21.9 per cent of total exports.

Saskatchewan exports lower the cost of living for millions of Americans and result in thousands of jobs on both sides of the border.

This mission runs from February 24 to 27, 2025.

# SASKATCHEWAN MINING ASSOCIATION BANQUET



I was privileged to extend greetings on behalf of Premier Scott Moe and the Government of Saskatchewan at the Saskatchewan Mining Association's 59th Annual General Meeting in Saskatoon February 26. It was a pleasure to underscore the province's long and successful mining history.

The Saskatchewan Mining Association is such an important industry partner. They play a crucial role in representing the interests of the mining sector not only here in Saskatchewan, but across the country. For decades, Saskatchewan has been a world global leader in producing and exporting potash and uranium around the world.

"As the Minister of Advanced Education, I recognize that students are this provinces

future – future trade workers, future mining energy and manufacturing workers, future natural resource and environment workers, future transporters and so many more."

The mining industry in Saskatchewan is expected to need more than 15,000 workers in the next decade. This is due to the industry's growth plans and aging workforce.

The world is keenly interested in what Saskatchewan has to offer, and they are watching carefully during these exciting, yet challenging times for the mining industry as one of our largest and most important trading partners is threatening to stifle our economic growth.

The mining sector provides hundreds of millions of dollars to Saskatchewan's revenue annually. These revenues support Saskatchewan's prosperous way of life, providing the funding needed for highways, schools and government services, which helps attracting people and investment to our great province.

I sincerely thank the Saskatchewan Mining Association for everything that you do for our province. Creating a brighter future for our students and for this place we call home.

TELEMIRACLE WEEK RECOGNIZED AHEAD OF ANNUAL TELETHON THIS WEEKEND! RING THOSE PHONES!



Soon the familiar sounds of phones ringing and people shouting "higher" will be heard from Saskatoon's Prairieland Park as TeleMiracle Week begins Sunday, February 23. The week culminates Saturday, March 1 when the 49th edition of the telethon gets underway.

"TeleMiracle is a testament to the Saskatchewan spirit," Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Eric Schmalz said. "The people of this province continue to show up for one another year after year by making contributions to this cause."

The countdown show, leading up to the telethon, will start at 6:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 1. The telethon will start at 9 p.m. that night, and wrap up at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 2. The telethon can be watched on both CTV Saskatchewan channels and online at <a href="https://www.telemiracle.com">www.telemiracle.com</a>.



- TeleMiracle 49 Celebrating Saskatchewan Talent!
- 80 phenomenal performers from across Saskatchewan will take the stage for TeleMiracle 49!
- March 1 & 2, 2025
- Get ready for a weekend filled with music, magic, and miracles as we showcase the incredible talent of our province and come together to make a difference.
- TeleMiracle is a testament to Saskatchewan's spirit. Over the last 48 years, the Saskatchewan based telethon has raised over \$165 million with all proceeds staying in the province to help residents. Learn more at telemiracle.com

SAVE THE DATE



# Save The Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2025

You are invited to attend the delivery of the Provincial Budget by the Honourable Jim Reiter

# Saskatchewan Legislative Building 1:00PM

Please RSVP to: ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net Office: 306-651-7100



The First Session of the Thirtieth Legislature will resume on Wednesday, March 19, at 1:30 p.m.

The Provincial Budget will be presented on that day.

If you would like to be in attendance, please let me know as soon as possible as invitations are limited.



Contact: ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net or call our office at 306.651.7100 to reserve your spot.

SASKATCHEWAN ANNOUNCES MEASURES TO PROTECT COMMUNITIES AGAINST FENTANYL AND METHAMPHETAMINE



The Government of Saskatchewan announced further measures to protect communities from illicit fentanyl and methamphetamine production, transportation, trafficking and street use in the province.

The measures enacted will provide additional tools to remove fentanyl and methamphetamine from our communities, significantly deter anyone from trafficking fentanyl and methamphetamine, and prevent street-level use to help

protect the health and safety of all citizens and ensure our medical system is not undermined by these harmful substances.

"These drugs have caused immense harm in our communities, leading to addiction, crime and loss of life," Justice Minister and Attorney General Tim McLeod said. "We are taking a firm stance to disrupt the flow of fentanyl and methamphetamine while also providing options for offenders to access the resources necessary for recovery."

Read what these measures will include: Saskatchewan Announces Measures to Protect Communities Against Fentanyl and Methamphetamine | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

# THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF UKRAINE INVASION COMMEMORATED AT SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATURE











February 24, Legislative Secretary Responsible for Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Jamie Martens and representatives from Saskatchewan's Ukrainian community, the Saskatchewan-Ukraine Relations Advisory Committee, and the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Saskatchewan Provincial Council (UCC-SPC) gathered at the Legislative

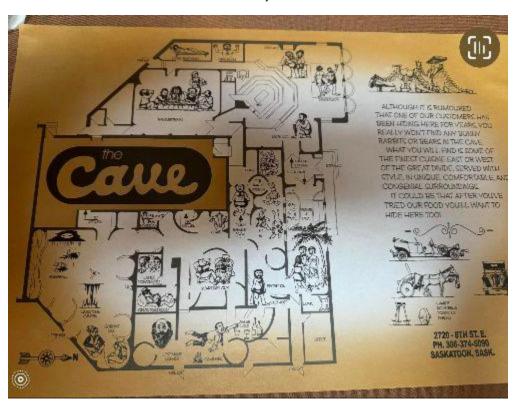
Building in Regina to commemorate the third anniversary of Russia's military invasion of Ukraine.

"This war has caused untold suffering to the people of Ukraine, some of whom have resettled here in Saskatchewan," Martens said. "As a province with a rich Ukrainian heritage, Saskatchewan is proud to support those displaced by this terrible conflict. With open arms we will continue to make these newcomers feel welcome and at home in our communities."

On Sunday, February 23, a car rally was organized to demonstrate support for Ukrainians by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC), Regina Branch, that started at the Northgate Mall in Regina and concluded with a brief ceremony at the Holodomor Monument in Wascana Centre.

<u>Third Anniversary of Ukraine Invasion Commemorated at Saskatchewan Legislature | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

# THE ICONIC SASKATOON RESTAURANT, "THE CAVE" CLOSES ITS DOORS



It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to dine at the iconic Cave Restaurant one last time this past Saturday evening.

The Cave has been a Saskatoon institution for 51 years. We have many fond memories recalling our kids exclaiming, "this is just like the Flintstones!"

Trish, Carter, and I were joined by our good friend Conni Larson.



Enjoying conversation and expressing gratitude to owner George, who took the time to chat with us, was wonderful. Engaging in meaningful discussions with patrons who were present on opening day in 1973 was truly remarkable.

George Kosmas, "As we close the doors of The Cave for the last time, we are filled with mixed emotions. After more than 50 wonderful years, it's time to say goodbye, and it is truly bittersweet.

From building this place up to our very last day of service, you have been more than just customers to us; you have been a part of our family. It has been both a great pleasure and a great privilege to share with you all the special moments of life. We've seen people fall in love, watched families grow, and we've celebrated life's greatest milestones with you, and that is something truly special.

While these doors remain closed, these memories will be carried with us forever. We hope the legacy of The Cave will live on in your hearts, as it will in ours.

Thank you all for all your smiles, your laughter, and your support—it meant the world to us.

With all our gratitude,"

Special thanks to "The Cave Restaurant" for providing incredible dining experiences for over 50 years!

#### LEGISLATIVE RECAP



Saskatchewan continues to strengthen our historic relationship between Canada and the United States of America. Newly elected President Trump has opened a discussion on a variety of topics from tariffs to border security to illegal substances in North America. Over the past month Premier Moe has visited Washington D.C. twice. He reports both countries are committed to remaining world-class neighbours and business affiliates.

Minister of Agriculture Daryl Harrison was in Washington this week to attend the 2025 Winter Policy Conference of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. The conference offers a unique opportunity to meet with state secretaries, commissioners and directors of agriculture, industry leaders and federal representatives to talk pressing agriculture and food policy issues.

A delegation of Saskatchewan Party MLAs visited North Dakota last week. The discussion strengthened relations and reaffirmed the inter-related priorities of both economies and shared border security.

Saskatchewan exports travel much further than within the continent of North America. Our province has a network of nine international trade and investment offices who are connecting the province to global markets and bringing new investment and businesses to the province.

International exports of our many resources and products have now reached \$45 billion dollars annually. Minister of Trade and Export Development Warren Kaeding led a delegation last week to Vietnam and Singapore to maintain and grow trade opportunities. This visit was an opportunity to increase investment attraction,

encourage collaboration in higher education, and showcase Saskatchewan's capacity to support nations around the world to meet food and energy security needs.

With the installation of the new Securing the Next Decade of Growth - Saskatchewan's Investment Attraction Strategy in 2024, our government exceeded all other provinces in private capital investment growth. The province is also expected to lead the nation in overall capital investment growth in 2025.

This strategy, combined with Saskatchewan's trade and investment website, <a href="InvestSK.ca">InvestSK.ca</a>, contains helpful information for potential markets and solidifies the province as the best place to do business in Canada.

Our majority government started this year off strong with new initiatives to increase border security and illegal drug movement in Saskatchewan. As these programs advance to subsequent phases in 2025, our government will continue to provide protection and support for our communities and borders.

By addressing both the supply and demand sides of the issue, these measures work toward reducing drug-related harm, improving public safety and fostering healthier, more stable neighborhoods and communities.

Shifting national priorities, increasing prices and a renewed focus on local industry means the province of Saskatchewan will revert to Tier 1 immediately on building energy efficiency, with approval of regulatory amendments. Removing the red tape for building permits stimulates our economy and makes housing more affordable for all people.

Health Care continues to be a top priority for our majority government. This week it was announced that \$6.5 million in funding to Ronald McDonald House Charities. The funding will go toward the building of the first ever Ronald McDonald House in Regina.

The Ronald McDonald Home in Regina will provide a "home-away-from-home" for families whose children are undergoing treatments at nearby health care facilities. The design includes 20 bedrooms, a children's playroom, outdoor play space and communal kitchen. This chapter in family care excellence reflects government's dedication to ensuring all Saskatchewan residents have access to compassionate care and essential support services.

The spring 2025 Legislative Session will begin the afternoon of March 19th and will commence with the 2025-26 Budget presentation as the opening agenda. The Premier, Ministers and MLAs have been very busy engaging with our international trading partners and will continue to do so for the benefit of Saskatchewan people and industries.

Our government looks forward to getting to work on these and other initiatives highlighted in the Throne Speech. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to my office at <a href="Men.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net">Ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net</a> or call 306.651.7100.

### MEETING WITH SASKATCHEWAN POST-SECONDARY STUDENT COUNCIL



As Minister of Advanced Education, it was a great pleasure to meet with the second year of the Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Student Council and thank them for being so willing to share their feedback and input on post-secondary programs and services.

The Council was established in 2023-24 and are from different program areas throughout Saskatchewan institutions in different program areas including: arts, biology, business administration, continuing care aid, early childhood education, economics, education, environmental science, environmental systems engineering, financial services, health studies, Indian teacher education, international studies, medicine, mental health and wellness, music, nursing, political science, pre-law, project management, psychiatric nursing, psychology and technology management.

Council members participate in four meetings annually.

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2025 PERSONAL INCOME TAX STRUCTURE

# 2025 Personal Income Tax Structure | Personal Income Tax | Government of Saskatchewan



#### 2025 Personal Income Tax Rates and Credit Amounts

Saskatchewan	
Tax Rates on Taxable Income	10.5% on first \$53,463
	12.5% on next \$99,287
	14.5% on any remainder
Tax Credit Amoun	ts
Basic personal amount	\$19,491
Spousal/Equivalent amount	\$19,491
Net income threshold	\$21,440
Dependent child amount	\$7,704
Senior supplement	\$2,028
Age amount	\$5,785
Net income threshold	\$43,066
Disability amount	\$13,986
Disability supplement	\$13,986
Caregiver amount	\$13,986
Net income threshold	\$19,108
Infirm dependant amount	\$13,986
Net income threshold	\$7,938
Medical expense tax credit	\$2,681
3 per cent of net income ceiling	
Pension income maximum	\$1,000
Charitable gift threshold	\$200
CPP/EI contributions	actual amount
Student loan interest	actual amount

# Additional links that may be helpful:

Saskatchewan Polytechnic Income Tax Receipts (T2202)
University of Saskatchewan Taxes - Students | University of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan tax forms 2025 Saskatchewan tax forms 2025 - Search
Personal Income Tax 2025 Personal Income Tax Structure | Personal Income Tax |
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**Tax Season** <u>Tax season starts on February 24! Here's what you need to start filing - Canada.ca</u>

# **CHILDREN KITCHEN SAFETY**



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Keep little ones safe by having a one-metre (3-feet) "child-free zone" in the kitchen. This step helps protect curious children from hot surfaces and sharp tools. Some more safety tips include:

- Teaching your children about kitchen safety—curiosity is natural, but safety is key.
- Always keep an eye on your little chefs-in-training.
- Make sure your pot handles are turned inward to prevent accidents.

A safe kitchen is a happy kitchen.

#### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**



3,780 job openings in the natural resources sector are projected over the next five years.

Considering a job in this sector? Some of the top jobs include:

- Oil and gas drilling and services contractors and supervisors
- Underground production and development miners
- Oil and gas well drillers, servicers, testers and related workers
- Transport truck drivers
- Mining and quarrying supervisors

Find resources to start your career here: <a href="https://www.saskatchewan.ca/res.../jobs-working-and-training">https://www.saskatchewan.ca/res.../jobs-working-and-training</a>

Already have experience in the natural resources sector? Visit <u>saskjobs.ca</u> to connect with employers and explore new opportunities.



**Learn more:** https://www.saskatchewan.ca/.../saskjobs-career-services #SaskJobs #JobSearch

SASKATCHEWAN LEADS THE NATION IN PRIVATE CAPITAL INVESTMENT GROWTH



#### Province Ranks First for Growth in Private Capital Investment in 2024

Saskatchewan led all provinces in private capital investment growth in 2024, with an increase of 17.3 per cent over 2023. The province is also expected to lead the nation in overall capital investment growth in 2025.

"Attracting new investment and growing our existing businesses continues to be a key priority for our government and these numbers demonstrate our province is the best place to invest in Canada," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Our investment attraction strategy is our roadmap to achieving our Growth Plan target by building a competitive business environment, low tax and utility rates, a transparent and predictable regulatory environment, a strong suite of incentives and a network of nine international offices that connect Saskatchewan to the world."

Saskatchewan Leads the Nation in Private Capital Investment Growth | News and Media |
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#### **WORKING FOR YOU**



I appreciate any opportunity to make a positive difference in our 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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REMINDER - WUHCA FUN DAY THIS SATURDAY! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



SATURDAY, MARCH 1
1- 4 PM
WALLACE PARK (BEHIND WILLOWGROVE SCHOOL)

- · Hot chocolate
- · Sleigh rides
- · Ice skating, sledding
- · Kick sleds, snowshoes
- · Face painting
- · Lots of family fun!

(event will be cancelled if temps drop below -25 C.)





It is looking like the weather will cooperate and families can enjoy a beautiful day with friends and neighbours at the Willowgrove University Heights Community Association Fun Day this Saturday, March 1.

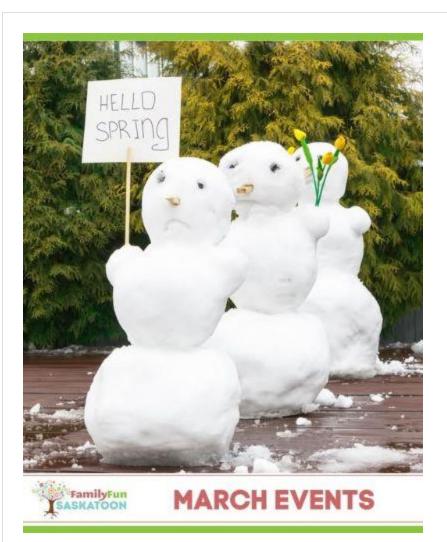
YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE!



Celebrate the end of February and the start of March with some fun outside! There are at least three community associations across Saskatoon having some winter events.

- \* <u>WUHCA-Willowgrove University Heights Community Association</u> will have hot chocolate, sleigh rides, face painting and more. King George Community Association has everything from wagon rides to indoor games to crafts and more. Or make your own cardboard sled at Winter in the Park with Silverspring Community Association.
- \* You can also join a family games night, watch a family movie and more. Check it all out here: https://www.familyfuncanada.com/saskatoon/weekend-guide/

# **MARCH EVENTS**



January took a MILLION years but February FLEW by. Just like that, we're heading into March. If you're looking for some family fun in the next month, we've got our guide FULL of events. You can look forward to theatre, skating, trade shows (lots of them!), chances to create and so much more.



Find out more here: <a href="https://www.familyfuncanada.com/saskatoon/march-events/">https://www.familyfuncanada.com/saskatoon/march-events/</a>

**DISCOVER SASKATOON'S LATEST BLOG** 



As we wrap up the last week of February, our latest blog has everything you need to know going into March!

Sports, Arts, Indigenous events and more!

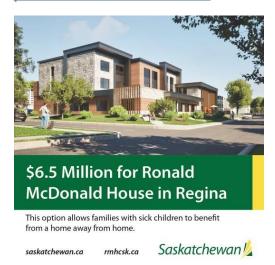
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# **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**

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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