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## **READ Saskatoon celebrates with community**

**April 30, 2010** – READ Saskatoon is celebrating after winning two awards at the 2010 Saskatchewan Literacy Awards of Merit event last night in Regina.

READ Saskatoon received the Program/ Project Award and long time educator Mavis McPhee was recognized with the Literacy Professional Award.

"We've got a great team here," says McPhee, "A huge part of our team is the community, including 170 volunteers, great partners like Radius Community Centre and hundreds of supporters."

READ Saskatoon is a volunteer literacy organization that provides free literacy services to adults and families. Our vision is to help support a community that values literacy.

The celebration will continue as READ Saskatoon invites our community to the annual READ n' Feed dinner on May 6<sup>th</sup> where Brent Loucks will auction off an amazing variety of fun celebrity packages.

"Anyone who has improved their literacy has increased their opportunities and expanded their horizons," says Sheryl Harrow, Executive Director of READ Saskatoon. "The celebrity packages we are auctioning off are another way for people to try something new while supporting a good cause."

Celebrity entrepreneur John Cross explains his involvement by saying "I love literacy because it opens the largest door to this magnificent life."

From lunch with three former Premiers, to an afternoon wakeboarding with the National Coach, to a skate-along with the Blades, we have something for everyone. For a full list of the celebrity auction packages go to [www.readsasaktoon.com/events](http://www.readsasaktoon.com/events).

Tickets are available at [www.picatic.com](http://www.picatic.com).

Interviews with celebrities for the READ n' FEED event may be arranged by contacting Mavis McPhee or Sheryl Harrow.

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