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CIPS would like to greatly thank all of our volunteers across Canada for their contribution to CIPS and the IT profession during Canada's celebration of National Volunteer Week (April 12-18, 2015). Our volunteers are the face of the organization and we recognize all the valuable time and energy that they donate to providing CIPS members and other IT practitioners with career development resources and opportunities, and their contribution to the growth of the IT profession.





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March CIPS Volunteer of the Month: Debra King

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Debra King is the founder and CEO of Atlas Rand providing business management, accounting and consulting services to organizations across Alberta. She has more than two decades of administrative and financial management experience in a wide range of for-profit and not-for-profit organizations and more than 15 years of board governance experience having served as a director, member of finance & audit committees, treasurer and board chair.

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CIPS SK Regina April 22 Luncheon: 'SaskTel Wavelength service and its role in the customer experience'

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Fibre optic technology has been the foundation of telecommunications for over 30 years. Wavelength service uses the development of fibre optic technology to offer a high-capacity bandwidth solution to meet evolving business needs and the needs of end users.

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This month's session will be a panel discussion on the topic of Cloud Computing. The panel will be moderated by Paul Lypaczewski (ITAP), with Scott Bateman (UPEI), Michael Easter (Screenscape Networks), and Richard MacDonald (Holland College) participating as panel members.

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Any purchase or sale of securities in North America results in an exchange of cash for those securities three days later. North American regulators are now considering shortening this cycle by one third, or to two days, which is referred to as T+2. This seemingly minor change will represent one of the largest challenges to face the North American securities industry in decades as

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