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## Home

# Welcome

to the site of Deana Driver, a freelance journalist, author, editor and photographer based in Saskatchewan, Canada. Armed with an insatiable curiosity and considerable enthusiasm, Deana has worked in the media for more than 25 years.



She has written advertising copy for radio and newspaper, produced speeches and newsletters, and enjoyed years of full-time and part-time feature and news writing for numerous print publications.

Her photography skills, often used to accompany her freelance writing articles and projects, are showcased on the [PhotoWorks](#) page.

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Over the years, Deana has contributed freelance articles to various regional and national periodicals including *Maclean's*, *Western People*, *Business Review*, *Saskatchewan Stockgrower*, *Pharmacy Post*, and *Canadian Healthcare Manager*.

Current clients include *The Lawyers Weekly*, *Medical Post*, *United Church Observer* and *The Bottom Line*.

Deana's first book *Just a Bunch of Farmers: The Story of Weyburn Inland Terminal 1976-2001*



## *New Book Coming!*

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### *Don't Look Back*

(Tentative title of an exciting new book telling the inspirational story of African-born elite athlete and role model Ted Jaleta)

[Click here to order at a special Early Bird price and be eligible for a draw for the cover art \(currently in design\)](#)



Ted Jaleta was a leader from an early age choosing to challenge accepted views and working towards higher education for himself and a better life for those around him. Ted was well on his way to being an Olympic marathon runner when a difficult decision to publicly challenge land ownership rules forced him out of his home in Ethiopia into an uncertain future. He ran for his life, was imprisoned and tortured, and survived the filth and misery of a refugee camp. Ted landed in Canada in 1982 with nothing but the clothes on his back.

In Canada, Ted chose to leave his old life behind and start a new one.

was released in November 2001.

In 2004, Deana edited and produced the layout for the novel *Return to Willows*, written by Saskatoon author Howard H. Birnie.

In 2005, she helped edit the tourism-oriented book *Classic Saskatchewan* and saw two of her articles published in *The Encyclopedia of Saskatchewan*. The Canadian Church awarded First Place in Service Journalism to the September 2004 *United Church Observer* article "*How To Give Your Congregation That Happy Glow*," of which Deana was a contributing author.

***Her new book is due out in August 2006***, tentatively titled ***Don't Look Back***. This book of inspiration takes you from the filth of a refugee camp in Africa to all-star track events from all over Canada and the U.S. where

Ted Jaleta was invited as an elite runner. Ted has always moved forward in his long-distance races and in life by maintaining a positive attitude.

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the struggles of Ethiopia behind. He looks back those times as nothing more than lessons from which he can learn. Instead, he chose a future of positive thinking and hard work which helped him achieve considerable success - as a long-distance runner in Canada and the U.S. as well as in I

As a sought-after motivational speaker and model for youth and adults alike, Ted's main message is one of hope. Don't look back. Never give up. Work hard. Learn from your mistakes and move forward to be who you want to be.

A book on Ted's life is being authored by Deana Driver, in co-operation with Ted Jaleta and Peter Collins, (**JDC Productions**) for release in August 2006. Retail price will be \$19.95 per book plus GST.

You may pre-order the book for the special Early Bird price of **\$15.95 CAN** plus 7% GST. Add shipping and handling if book is to be mailed or not picked up from JDC partners in Regina. [Click here](#) to order!

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