

Langley Conservative Electoral District Association Winter 2009



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President's message

With the year quickly coming to a close, I would like to wish you all joy and good health this holiday season.

It was a pleasure to meet many of you at the "Beer and Burger" social on Nov 10. I hope you were all able to meet and talk with Mark and his lovely wife Diane. The next social is **Tuesday Dec 1st at the Fort Pub**. Tickets are \$20. Call Pam Milburn at 604-534-9574 to purchase yours.

In the recent by-elections, we managed to **gain two new seats in the House** and we tried hard to earn a third. I want to thank all those members in Langley who helped in the New Westminster-Coquitlam by-election for candidate Diana Dilworth. The experience we gained from this process will serve us well in the next election. We look forward to adding Diana's enthusiasm and experience to Parliament next time.

You will be receiving information by email about our **annual Turkey Sale**. New this year is our **cookbook offer and coveted T-shirt deal**. For those without e-mail please contact Eric Bysouth for details at 604-534-3133. Your donations will help re-elect Mark and help form a majority government.

Nominations are now open for the **2010 CPC Langley EDA Board of Directors or the President's List**. On our web site there is a form for those who want to have their names put forward. Nominees must be members in good standing and must be

aware they are being nominated.

Eric Bysouth has copies of this form and can deliver it to those interested. We ask these forms be submitted to our EDA's Selection Committee by **December 11, 2009**. Mr. Bysouth will let you know how to submit them. The **AGM** is scheduled for **2pm Saturday January 16th, 2010 at the George Preston Recreation Centre**. Please remember your membership **must be valid at least 30 days prior** to the AGM to be eligible to vote. If you need to renew, do so now. It takes a few weeks to process through CPC HQ and you do not want to miss out.

I will not be returning as the EDA President in 2010 having served the term limit of three years. **I want to thank you for allowing me to serve you**. I would not have missed the many hours I put into representing you at events and functions. My gratitude is also offered to the many Directors serving the EDA this year and the past three years for their time, ideas and energy. It has been my pleasure.

I hope to see you out at the year end events planned by the EDA and by our MP's constituency office!

Sincerely,
John Burns
President



Who We Are and What We Do

"The Conservative party will be the national party; it is the party which founded Confederation and the party that will save Confederation. It is my intention to unite all Canadians from the Atlantic to the Pacific, under the banner of patriotism." - John Diefenbaker, December 1956, PC leadership convention

Why We Exist The CPC Langley EDA's Mission

We exist to support and promote the principles, objectives and policies of the Conservative Party of Canada (CPC) and maintain an effective Electoral District organization for that purpose.

We select a candidate to represent the CPC in the Electoral District of Langley for each general election and by-election and assist in their election. We raise money and maintain a fund to support the Langley EDA and to assist the Candidate in federal elections and by-elections first, then assist other EDAs.

We recruit membership to carry out the objectives of the CPC and the CPC Langley EDA and assist the CPC in developing policies and election platforms.



Our Board of Directors Chairpersons

Linda Bellamy—Events
Donna Mae Bradshaw—Policy & Constitution
Eric Bysouth—Candidate Selection, Nomination
Kim Houllind—Communications
Alayna Johnson—Youth, Poll Organization
Dane Minor—Community Outreach
Steve Schafer—CIMS
Peter Spaa—Youth Co-Chair

Members

Nazreen Burns	James Pratt
Shane Flanagan	Joy Richardson
John Hof	Dan Ritchie
Ralph Jahn	Grant Ward
Abraham Koole	Sam Wind
Tamelia Platt	Ryan Vaisler
Elizabeth Pratt	Joe Zaccaria

Want this newsletter by email next time? Want to stay up to date with Conservative news in Langley and across Canada?

Please provide your email address to us. You will have the opportunity to receive email updates about local events, activities and political happenings in between newsletters.

Check out our website
www.langleyconservatives.ca
on a regular basis for updated information.

Stay Informed with Menno!

Receive hot off the press Conservative and Canadian political news sent by CPC National Councillor, Menno Froese! Add your name by emailing Menno at mpfroese@shaw.ca

Member of Parliament's message

It's been a tremendous year for Langley which has received more than \$27 million in federal government funding for a variety of projects including the Nicomekl Bridge replacement, the Aldergrove Water Treatment plant, the Langley Seniors Centre, road improvements to Highway 10, 208 Street and in Walnut Grove, Dike upgrades as well as a new synthetic turf at Willoughby Community Park. Trinity Western University and Kwantlen Polytechnic University also received significant grants for infrastructure.

With regard to my work in Ottawa, I am thrilled to be able to tell you about our successes with new justice legislation and new justice bills in the works. We passed our Truth in Sentencing Act to eliminate the practice of 2-for-1 credit for time served. Courts will no longer be able to grant credit at a 2-to-1 ratio for time served while waiting for and during a trial.

Our Government has recently tabled a number of new bills to make our streets

safer and ensure the severity of the punishment fits the severity of the crime, including a law to end sentence discounts for multiple murders. Under the current system, individuals convicted of multiple murders serve their sentencing and parole concurrently rather than consecutively.

We are also working hard on ID theft and related crime. A new law will create three new *Criminal Code* offences targeting the early stages of identity-related crime, all subject to 5-year maximum prison sentences: obtaining, possessing and trafficking in identity information or government-issued identity documents. An offender can also be required to reimburse a victim of identity theft or identity fraud for costs associated with their efforts to rehabilitate their identity.

As we prepare for another winter, Health Canada is prepared for H1N1. Over the last 5 weeks, ten million doses of H1N1 vaccine have been delivered to the provinces and territories. That is currently more H1N1 vaccine per capita than any other country in the

world. Over the next 8 to 12 weeks, there will be sufficient H1N1 vaccine available in Canada for everyone who needs and wants to be immunized. Not a single person will be left out. This is the largest mass immunization campaign in Canadian history. Please contact fraserhealth.ca to find out upcoming dates for H1N1 vaccine clinics in Langley.

Lastly, I would like to extend to you all an invitation to my **4th annual 'A Gift of Christmas' concert Sunday December 13th at the Langley Community Music school**. Doors open at 1pm and the concert begins at 1:30pm. Admission by donation of a non perishable food item to the Langley Food Bank is appreciated. A reception will follow the concert. I look forward to seeing you there. Please RSVP my office at 534-5955 and check the EDA's website for details!

On behalf of my staff and my wife Diane and myself, I would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and holiday season and a Happy New Year. God Bless.
~ Mark



Donations and Tax Receipts—2009 Tax Year

People who donated to the Langley EDA in 2009 will be receiving their tax receipts in **late January or early February, 2010**.

This is for direct donations and for donations via local fundraising activities (eg, the Duffy dinner in the spring).

Your local EDA does NOT issue receipts for anything you donated directly to the national arm of the Conservative Party.

Also, if you donated to an election or by-election campaign, your local EDA is not involved.

For National or election campaign donations you need to contact the people responsible at those bodies. If you have any concerns, please contact me at (604) 530-9679 or e-mail direct at thecompetition@telus.net.

Thank you,

Gerry Lamb
Financial Agent

Membership

We need your assistance in keeping your contact information up to date. Over the last month we have been attempting to make telephone contact with every member to verify their street address, telephone number(s) and e-mail address. This process has involved the diligent work of seven volunteers who have labored for many hours to bring our information up to date.

If you have not received a call, please expect one in the coming month. You can help by letting our local office or the national office know about changes to your address details when they occur. Thank you so much for your assistance.

We need members who have time to make phone calls using a prepared script, so if you are interested in performing this task from time to time for our association please let me know.

Lastly, our **AGM** is coming up on **January 16th, 2010**. Your membership must be current and active 30 days prior if you want to vote on any Motions or participate in the election of the 2010 Board. It can take a few weeks to process at HQ so please check your card. **Call me at 604-534-9574 if you have any questions or want to help with phone calls.**

Pam Milburn
Membership Chair

Fundraising



Langley Conservative's Annual Turkey Sale!

Your Member of Parliament, Mark Warawa, is ready to bring the Christmas turkey home – to your home that is-

For a \$100 donation you will get a \$35 frozen grain fed turkey **and** an income tax receipt for \$65 with home delivery by Mark to your door step. Delivery will be made the week before Christmas. If you wish to donate the turkey to our local food bank, please let us know and we will have it delivered. Also, this year we have added **2 extra fundraising opportunities**. Not only can your purchase your Christmas turkey but you can also buy a copy of the **MP's Spouses Cook Book**. The Parliamentary spouses, including Mrs. Harper, have submitted mouth watering recipes for your culinary adventures. For a donation of \$50 you can purchase this one of a kind recipe book and receive a tax receipt for \$30.

As seen at the Harper BBQ this summer, we have added a **stylish and hard to find high quality Conservative T shirt** in Conservative blue and with our logo in white on the chest. With your \$30 donation you will receive the \$10 t-shirt and a \$20 tax receipt.

To order, please contact Eric Bysouth at 534-3133 or email erenb@telus.net

Personal credit cards and cheques accepted (no cash please).

EVENTS

Check out our website at www.langleyconservatives.ca

DECEMBER 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Burger & Beer Social 7pm The Fort Pub	2	3	4	5 TWU Blue Christmas City of Langley's Christmas Parade 5:30pm
6	7	8	9	10	11 2010 Board nominations due!	12 Aldergrove's Annual Christmas Light Up Parade 6pm
13 Mark's 'A Gift of Christmas' concert LCMS 1:30pm	14	15	16 Turkey, cook- book and T- shirt orders due!	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's		



New Conservative Senator Mike Duffy at one of our 'Elegant Evening With' fundraisers



1st VP Jeff Bridge and wife Veronica meet Prince Charles in Vancouver



Board member, John Hof, his wife Suzanne and Board member Pam Milburn enjoy a Burger and Beer



Board member Nazreen Burns and Events Chair Linda Bellamy in their cultural regalia at Langley's Int'l Festival



Your Langley Conservatives' tent at Canada Day 2009 celebrations



Trinity Western's Conservative Campus Club 2009 Executive



EDA Board member Eric Bysouth and wife Helen working at the Cranberry Festival



The next generation of young Langley Conservatives with Senator Mike Duffy



The inimitable Dane Minor and Diane Warawa enjoying Canada Day celebrations



**Vaisakhi Parade, Surrey
Linda Bellamy, Dane Minor, Dona Cadman MP, Ed Fast MP, Alice Wong MP, Nina Grewal MP, and our own Mark Warawa**



The only time Conservatives ever fib: when they hit the links! Just kidding. MW with Prime Minister Harper at Nat'l Caucus—working hard for Canada.