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Introducing The 2010 Langley Conservative EDA Board of Directors:

Langley

Conservatives are fortunate to be represented by a very enthusiastic, talented and energetic Board of Directors. If you are interested in volunteering to work side-by-side with these dynamic and supportive individuals, call us at (604) 534-1160 or send an e-mail to info@langleyconservatives.ca. It is my pleasure to introduce you to a number of our dedicated volunteers:

Our First Vice President is Dane Minor. Dane is well-respected for his legendary knowledge of all things political and he is prized for his wise advice and his greatly entertaining stories. Dane is immersed in Community Outreach activities throughout the region.



Annette DeKraker is our Second Vice President. She has wide-ranging experience and skill in day-in-day-out service to her community. Annette works 24/7 helping others both personally and politically. Annette also contributes to data management projects and the Communications Committee's activities.

Our Financial Agent and Treasurer is Gerry Lamb, a man whose advice is sought far and wide on matters financial. Gerry oversees our funds, acts as liaison with Elections Canada, and contributes valuable advice on money matters to our Board of Directors. Gerry's sense of humour is a treat.



Paul Fast is not only the kindly and diligent Secretary to the Board of our Electoral District Association, but he is always ready to do great work researching various options for special projects and effectively managing our office at 203 Street.



Steve Schafer is our creative and very, very hardworking Membership Committee Chairperson. Steve has, like many board members, a background in small business. Along with others, he represents the best of the youthful Conservatives who are dedicated to serving our community and our country.





John Burns deserves a rest after three years as the popular President of the Langley Conservatives' EDA. However, John immediately took off his president's hat and donned that of the Fundraising Chair. John's ideas for fundraising activities this year are sure to be both profitable and lots of fun! In addition the tireless John Burns coordinates some purchases for many EDAs in the province. We appreciate his service.

Tanya Tait brings her background in journalism to the tasks of our Communications Committee which she chairs. Quick thinking and decisive, Tanya is well-suited to spearheading the task of writing and editing the newsletters and advertisements for our association.



The webmaster, James Pratt, (this is Jim in the morning) applies his exceptional talents of maintaining our website and offers his wise counsel to the committee. Along with Tanya and Annette, he rounds out this highly focussed team, which also includes several talented photographers.

Linda Bellamy is a whirlwind of energy and great ideas, combined with attention to detail and an awesome work ethic. This year Linda is Youth Committee Chairperson. The youth committee is primarily made up of college and university students; however, youth as young as fourteen may join the Conservative Party of Canada and participate fully in party activities. Linda is also Chairperson of the dynamic Policy and Constitution Committee which is charged with the task of preparing suggestions for the Conservative Party of Canada's National Convention in Ottawa in 2011. Members of this committee are highly motivated. They love serious talk and love to have enjoyable times together with members of the party. Several social and political events are planned for the coming months. Linda also contributes her encyclopaedic understanding of Special Events to EDA activities.



Pam Milburn, President

Of course, we have more members of the Board of Directors who also contribute hugely to our association. They are too numerous to all be introduced at once. Let it be said that the Langley Conservative EDA cannot give valuable service to our party, our community and our country without committed volunteers like these. If you are interested in working, playing, studying and, yes, laughing along with these people, please contact us, and we will endeavour to match you up with appropriate volunteer activities throughout the year. We are always happy to welcome volunteers and supporters to our events in Langley and the surrounding areas.

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www.langleyconservatives.ca



MARK WARAWA

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News from Mark in Ottawa: Jobs and Growth

I am happy to be back in Ottawa for this new session of Parliament. Budget 2010 came down recently and is the highlight of the political season.

Budget 2010 continues to build on Canada's Economic Action Plan which has helped Canada through the most difficult economic downturn since the 1930's. Budget 2010 injects \$19-billion of new stimulus to create and protect jobs, secure Canada's economic recovery and sustain our economic advantage through:

- **Personal income tax relief (\$3.2 billion):** adjustments to federal tax brackets, enhancing the Working Income Tax Benefit, higher child benefits for parents and lower taxes for low- and middle-income seniors
- **Re-training & worker support (over \$4 billion):** enhancing EI benefits and training opportunities to transition workers from current challenges towards future prosperity
- **Infrastructure (\$7.7 billion):** to create jobs, modernize infrastructure, support home ownership, stimulate the housing sector, and improve housing across Canada
- **R&D (over \$1.9 billion):** developing and attracting talent, strengthening research capacity, improving commercialization, accelerating private sector investment, expanding market access and competitiveness to build the economy of tomorrow
- **Targeted support to industries and communities (\$2.2 billion):** helping create and maintain jobs in sectors like forestry, agriculture, small business, tourism, and culture

Budget 2010 helps protect jobs today, and create the jobs and economy of tomorrow by:

- **Supporting Workers:** Investing \$100 million to extend the maximum length for work-sharing agreements
- **Helping Young Workers:** Offering over \$100 million in support to young workers through internships and skills development to help them find jobs
- **Investing in R&D:** Delivering over \$600 million to help develop and attract high-quality jobs, to strengthen our capacity for world-leading research and development, and to improve the commercialization of research
- **Strengthening Manufacturers:** Making Canada a tariff-free zone for manufacturing inputs to boost new investment and job creation
- **Supporting businesses:** Establishing a Red Tape Reduction Panel to reduce paperwork for business

CPC National Conference June, 2011 in Ottawa.

The Langley EDA plans to host three social events to engage the CPC membership to gauge support for new policy and proposed policy amendments.

If Conservative constitution and policy development is your thing, please email our Policy Chair, Linda Bellamy at lindabellamy@shaw.ca with your ideas!

Donations and Tax Receipts—2009 Tax Year

People who donated to the Langley EDA in 2009 should have received tax receipts in **late January or early February, 2010.**

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

Mark, Dane
and Jerry
roast outgoing
President
John Burns



Thank you John Burns!



Outgoing EDA President John Burns was thanked at the Annual General Meeting in January for his years of service as president, and was awarded with his long-awaited gavel.

Cookbooks & Tory T-shirts!

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.



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

Fundraising

Our fundraising goal this year is, as always, to raise enough money to re-elect Mark and to help elect a majority federal Conservative Government. You can donate up to \$1100 to the Party locally and \$1100 to the Party federally each year and receive a tax rebate for each donation. To donate locally, please e-mail us at: info@langleyconservatives.ca or leave us a message at 604-534-1160.

COMING EVENTS

Check out our website at www.langleyconservatives.ca



We have fun participating for a few hours at a time during Conservative events throughout the Langleys and nearby areas. We get to meet and chat with fellow Conservatives, and occasionally with Members of Parliament, Senators and Candidates.

We participate in parades, staff booths at many entertaining events, help to put up tents, and hand out information brochures. We participate in fund raisers, and attend meetings and discussion groups.

We invite you to become involved. Watch the calendar on our website for events and then call or e-mail to make the connection.

We have several fun things in the works, such as a dance, a golf tournament and crouquet afternoon. We will keep you informed of when and where as these and other events are finalized.

There are social gatherings, parades and the Canada Day Celebrations coming shortly. We look forward to seeing you soon!





might be willing to display a Conservative sign.

Do you like Bingo? We need helpers at our free Bingo event during the Canada Day Celebrations on June 30th and July 1st.

We need people who are willing to follow a script and make phone calls to party members. Do you like calling to chat with happy and supportive people? Then telephoning for our EDA could be just the job for you.

We have lots to do and we need you. Please telephone our office and leave a message or send us an e-mail. This is a great year to get involved.
Pam Milburn, Volunteer Committee Chair

We want you! The Volunteer Committee matches volunteers to activities, projects and events. Just give us your name and let us know how you would like to contribute.

Do you like to walk? We have good times participating in community parades along with our Member of Parliament, Mark Warawa.

Do you have space on your lawn? During an election, you



Conservative Youth in Action!

2010 will see more university students involved in Conservative events in Langley as well as connecting with other youth clubs in the region.

This year, we will be hosting events geared for students; movie and pizza nights, holding panel discussions.

We are also planning to host a model Cabinet or model First Ministers event for high school students.

We would love to hear from our members concerning a new idea this year: a group of Conservatives meeting perhaps once a month for some fun activities around the Lower Mainland. Imagine a group of conservatives at the laser tag centre, a winery tour, a movie night, or racing around the F 440 road course in Tsawwassen! These are just some of the ideas we've cobbled together and over the next few weeks we'll gauge the response. If there are enough people interested, we'll start the ball rolling as soon as next month. Just send an e-mail to: info@langleyconservatives.ca

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.

Membership News...

Warmest greetings, fellow Conservatives. Quite literally too: I was living in Calgary in 1988 when we were having one of our typical Chinook-filled winters – and were dumping 14 truckloads of snow on the hills every hour as well. I never thought there would be three Olympic Games in Canada already during my lifetime, but here we are again and what a show we put on for the world!

The Olympic Games' motto is "Citius, Altius, Fortius" or "Faster, Higher, Stronger" and though I have no idea how the hoola-hoop, beach ball, and ribbon gymnastics fits in with those ideals, I know that striving for excellence is a worthy pursuit. It's also part of what's motivating our board this year in terms of membership. **We have set a lofty goal of doubling our membership in Langley**, and we're prepared to bribe with benefits in order to achieve it. **Your membership this year will get you discounts on special events, discounts on CPC merchandise, and allow you to take part in fun group events with like-minded conservatives.**

Special events in the past have included dinners with guest speakers such as Minister John Baird or Senator Mike Duffy. And if having that calibre of speaker, our mayoral dignitaries and of course MP Mark Warawa isn't enough, you can now save money just by being a member! Our Association office also has CPC shirts and other goodies for sale so you can dress to impress at your next wedding or tennis game with your boss. These high quality t-shirts alone are a bargain at members' prices; can you still buy a t-shirt for \$10 at a store in Canada?

Being a member of the Conservative Party of Canada also carries with it serious work; we can and do have a positive impact on how we want our country to look down the road. It's because of this that I encourage you to think of your membership as a share certificate in a company. That certificate allows you to participate, vote, and be heard at many company meetings and that's essentially what your membership in the CPC allows you to do as well. **Your membership is one vote in a very democratic process which allows you to direct the course of the party, which in turn directs the course of the country.**

Conservative-minded people have a funny way of yelling at the radio or TV when they disagree with the talking heads; they're often seen in a Tim Horton's talking about political issues of the day (and hockey!) but they don't always get involved. If you'll spend \$2 on coffee with a friend and talk politics, why not spend \$10 for a year and make your voice heard? I urge you to consider renewing your membership in the Conservative Party of Canada when we contact you over the next year, and if you have a friend you think would be interested, please let them know because we'd love to hear from them too.

Steve Schafer, membership-type guy...



*Back Row: Mark Warawa, Eric Bysouth, Gerry Lamb, Dane Minor, Pam Milburn, Tamelia Platt, Paul Fast
Front Row: Steve Schafer, Annette DeKraker, Nazreen Burns, Jeff Bridge, Tanya Charles-Tait, John Burns*