



Conservative Party of Canada – Guelph Electoral District Association

Fall 2012

Letter from the President

Dear Members,

This newsletter is long overdue. My apologies for this.

There has been a significant change in our EDA Board over the past few months, with a new and different executive group elected at our May 2012 AGM.

As part of my goal to make the board more open and welcoming, you may have already received calls from a member of your board of directors. I very much want you to be engaged and involved in our processes.

We have made some significant changes to our website to make it easier and better to serve you, so please feel free to make yourself familiar with this great source of local Conservative news. .

My strongest mandate as president is to get our association strong and ready to unseat Frank Valeriote in 2015 and bring a responsible Conservative MP to Guelph.

Mr Valeriote must be held accountable for his illegal robocall activity in the last election and we need your support now more than ever to do just that.

We hope that this year we will have the most successful Christmas Turkey Drive in our history. We also hope to have a rousing Sir John A Dinner in early 2013. Between now and 2015 we will add more events to our calendar, as we expand our Sir John A Club, and get to know all of you better. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

We also wish, at this time, to extend to all of you and your loved ones, a Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Steve Vos
President,
Guelph Conservative EDA

Turkey Drive

Marty Burke, EDA Board Member and Candidate of Record (far left) and Matt Sheehy, EDA Board Member (back centre) deliver turkeys to Sister Christine (front centre) and her team. Of the 25 turkeys that were sold in the November-December

2011 Turkey Drive, 8 were donated to Sister Christine's Drop-In Centre to help give the homeless in Guelph a great Christmas meal. This year's Turkey Drive is taking place this month, order yours today!



Guelph EDA - Upcoming Activities

Turkey Drive:

Please see the included flyer!

Sir John A Macdonald Dinner:

Be on the look out for our formal announcement of guest speakers and date for our Sir John A MacDonald Dinner. See the next page for a summary of last year's awesome event!

Marty Burke Speaks at the Cenotaph

The Cenotaph marks the consecrated memorial that represents those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. It is here that we would expect to have our Remembrance Day Ceremonies.

We understand that the City has a broader set of concerns, but we were honoured to see our candidate in the previous election, Marty Burke, take the lead at the Cenotaph this past Remembrance Day and speak to those that had gathered at the Cenotaph.

We would like to thank again all those who are or have served our great country in the armed forces. We will not forget, and we will see you again next year at the Cenotaph to mark our remembrance of the fallen.



EDA President Steve Vos and 2011 Candidate Marty Burke



Sir John A Dinner

On February 2, 2012, guest speaker Senator Doug Finley had the 60 Sir John A. Macdonald Dinner guests in attendance listening intently to every word of his wry and witty speech and cheering every punch line.

Senator Finley started his speech discussing the media and critiquing how they look to create the news rather than report it. He also spoke about political leadership and the importance of not just being a leader, but being seen to lead.

He compared Stephen Harper to Sir John A. Macdonald for their work ethic. And, based on his long experience with running national Federal campaigns, he pointed out the impossibility of pleasing everyone.

Website Update

We are very excited to announce that our website has been updated with the ability to accept credit card donations.

It can be accessed at: <http://www.guelphcp.ca/support-guelph-conservative-party/>

Stay tuned for further updates as we continue to find new ways to serve you.

Guelph EDA - Recent Activities

June 5, 2012 – Guelph EDA's Annual General Meeting at the Cutten Club.

February 2, 2012 – Annual Sir John A. Macdonald Dinner. Special Guest: The Honorable Senator Doug Finlay.

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Even 3 years out, campaigns are costly. Please donate whatever you can - \$25, \$35, \$50, \$100 or more - and a tax receipt will be mailed to you promptly. Cheques are payable to "Conservative Fund Guelph" and can be mailed to: Conservative Party of Canada, Guelph Electoral District, Post Office Box 21029, Guelph, ON. N1G 4T3. You can also use our website!