

MARCH 2007 Comm Assoc Newsletter Submission from MLA Dave Rodney (E-mailed Feb 9, 2007)...

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ONWARD & UPWARD!

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Two of my new appointments include “**Calgary Caucus Chair**” and “**Chair of Legislative Offices**”. *With these additional responsibilities, I expect I will be able to further our causes here in SW Calgary even more than before.* I am also very excited to have been appointed as a member of the **Cabinet Policy Committee on Community Services**, which deals with: **Health & Wellness, Seniors & Community Supports, Tourism/Parks/Recreation/Culture, Children’s Services, and Education.** *Please call our office to tell us what we are doing well...and what you would like to see us change!*

I will continue to work diligently with Premier Ed Stelmach and my honourable colleagues on issues that affect us across the province, while focusing on concerns in our riding including the **SW Ring Road, new schools, the new South Calgary hospital (& other health facilities), Fish Creek Park challenges, Seniors’ benefits,** and much more.

SPECIAL INVITATIONS:

- 1.** Would you like to have **Breakfast with Premier Stelmach and your friendly neighborhood MLA on March 9?** Please contact me if you are interested...
- 2.** Please contact us to let us know if you have not received our “**Winter Report to Constituents**” in the mail in January (8 pages, with the picture above on the front). If you did not receive it, we’d be happy to send you one!
- 3.** As we prepare for the **spring session of the Alberta Legislature**, I encourage you to contact me regarding

any subject of provincial jurisdiction that you are concerned about. Please let us know if you have any **questions**, or if you simply wish to express your **opinion**. **We really appreciate your feedback!**

4. Let me know if I can help you by:

- Providing grant applications, news releases, or Hansard transcripts
- Resolving problems with provincial gov't departments
- Visiting your school or service club
- Arranging a tour of the Legislature in Edmonton or MacDougall Centre in Calgary
- Creating commemorative scrolls for special events

PLEASE CALL US IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ON:

A. Nominations are now open (and closing soon) for:

*** 2007 Child Care Professional Awards of Excellence**

*** 2007 Minister's Seniors Service Awards**

Healthy School Communities Award (students, teachers, parents, groups, businesses)

*** Community Crime Prevention Awards**

*** Volunteer Calgary's 2007 Leadership Awards**

B. Calgary Health Region Home Care Services Updates

C. AISH, Income Support & Widows' Pension clients claims: the deadline has been extended until the end of this month

D. Non-profit organizations receive \$1.1 Million in Grants to help build stronger communities

E. AB students ages 8, 11, and 14 can receive a \$100 RESP grant as of January 1, 2007.

F. Independent experts to review provincial policy on water transfers

G. 2007 marks the 75th Anniversary of Provincial Parks (www.albertaparks.ca)

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