

ONWARD & UPWARD!



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GOOD NEWS ~

“Alberta’s economy will grow at the fastest pace of all the provinces this year.”

The Conference Board of Canada, Spring 2005

“Albertans enjoy the lowest tax burden and unemployment rate in Canada, have no debt, a shining economy, and are blessed with an abundance of natural resources.”

TD Financial Group, Spring 2005

“We’ve only just begun, and we’ve got a long way to go!”

MLA Dave Rodney, Fall 2005

MORE GOOD NEWS ~

1. It was wonderful to join the Friends of Fish Creek and our Constituency Assoc. in cleaning Fish Creek Park.

Be assured that I will continue to work closely with YOU, Park Officials, and the Minister of Community Development,

to ensure “our crown-jewel of constituency” is even better than before!

2. Truly, it has been an honor to visit each of our community associations and churches (*with the gifts of a 2005 flag, medallions for each of the presidents—as pictured, below—and a Wild Rose Bench for the Churches*); and it has been invigorating to spend time at each of our community schools (*with Centennial gifts of a Wild Rose Bench, 2005 flag, and picture book of the province*)... and I also enjoyed bringing greetings on behalf of the government to Globalfest.

3. I appreciated the opportunity to represent Alberta at the National Conference on Public Accounts and Legislative Offices, and am really looking forward to speaking with my colleagues--as we devise plans to make Alberta even more efficient.

4. It always feels great to assist constituents with all sorts of needs, including: transportation/infrastructure, international trade, immigrant workers, domestic trades, health, special education, AISH benefits, social and community services.

Please contact us if we can be of assistance to you in these or other ways;

and/or please let us know if you care to share your ideas on how we can make our province even better!

FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS ~

- A. This fall is filled with excitement in Alberta's classrooms, as it includes Centennial student-participation projects such as "Song Writing Intensive", "If Walls Could Speak", a revised K-3 Social Studies curriculum (exploring our rich cultural and historical past), and newly developed textbooks.
- B. Government commitment has increased to nearly \$4 billion on capital spending for this year, on municipal infrastructure support for:
highways, health facilities, schools and post-secondary institutions, community and centennial projects, and government facilities.
- C. Funding to school boards for special maintenance projects will increase by 140% over the next 3 years.
- D. *Alberta Education has a number of online information and educational resources for parents and teachers to help students do homework, plan education and career paths, and research curriculum requirements.* A "Back to School" online kit, as well as other valuable education information, is available through the Alberta Education website: www.education.gov.ab.ca. Check it out!

FYI ~

* SW Calgary Ring Road: a 2nd set of open houses is planned for early November 2005, and a 3rd set is scheduled for Spring '06.

Stay tuned for details: we want to make sure Calgary-Lougheed gets exactly what it needs, and I will need your input on this!

** For information on events during our province's centennial please contact our office or visit www.albertacentennial.ca.

*** If you are looking for further information on the legislature and/or government, please check out www.assembly.ab.ca and/or www.gov.ab.ca

(or call 310-0000) for a wealth of information!

**** If you know of anyone who is celebrating an achievement and/or milestone occasion, please contact us:

we may be able to provide scrolls and/or medallions to help them celebrate their good news!



In the meantime, it's "onward & upward!"