

NDP NPD

Pickering-Scarborough East

Federal Riding Newsletter – November 2006



Gary Dale
President

Jack is willing to support any party as long as its legislation benefits Canadians. It's why we supported the Liberals last year in exchange for the NDP budget bill. With the current minority government, it's why we supported banning corporate contributions to political parties, it's why we'll support the so-called "Clean Air Act" if we can get real changes, and it's why we support the taxation of Income Trusts.

We know that minority governments give parties a chance to work together to produce real change which is why we're committed to making parliament work no matter who has the most seats.

Of course we also know that the Harper government could fall anytime. Another Federal election could be only a few short months away!

So are we ready to face the voters?

Well actually ... No. *What constitutes election readiness? Money.* Fact is: everything costs money and right now, we're not ready. We need this to change.

How will your contribution be used?

100% of it helps elect a New Democrat in this riding. Mainly producing signs and printing literature, but also to cope with all the other costs of political action: office supplies, sta-

Jack is making Parliament work

tionery, postage, copying, campaign phones etc. The riding also needs on-going support for newsletters like this one and the costs of meetings and other costs.

We need to get going right away!

It's important to order signs and literature BEFORE the campaign begins so we establish our presence

quickly. We don't want to look like "also-rans" 15 days into the campaign. To do this, we need your support to start now. By acting now, before the election is called, you give your riding a big boost AND get your tax benefit as soon as next March. If you miss this December, you'll wait another year for your refund.

Don't wait. **Help us today!**

Two ways to pitch in ... why not do both?

First: Decide on a convenient monthly amount to be processed through your Visa or MasterCard. Your contribution will appear near the end of every month and in February, you'll receive your official tax receipt.

Second: Take full advantage of the 2006 tax rebate – especially important if you haven't yet made your maximum contribution this year! Make your one-time contribution either by card or by cheque. If you prefer a credit card, your amount will be processed in late December. If a cheque is more convenient, be sure to date it no later than 29 December to qualify for this year's tax rebate.

Either way, indicate your choices by completing and mailing the coupon below.

Be sure to enter your name and address - we cannot accept anonymous contributions. You must be a citizen or Canadian Resident to contribute.

A General Meeting

of the
Pickering-Scarborough East Federal NDP
Riding Association

will be held
1:00 pm, Sunday, 19 November, 2006

at the
Port Union Community Centre

(5450 Lawrence Ave, just west of Port Union Road)

- constitutional amendments to conform with federal restrictions on the executive,
- election of new officers if necessary,

In addition, there will be the usual reports from the President, Financial Agent, and membership secretary, plus a report from the federal convention.

Pickering-Scarborough East Federal

Yes! I know that this is the time to act. Please process my monthly contribution to Pickering-Scarborough East Federal NDP.

and/or

I'd like to provide a one-time contribution of:

\$ _____

cheque enclosed

process my Visa/MC



\$10

\$20

\$40

other _____

Name _____

address _____

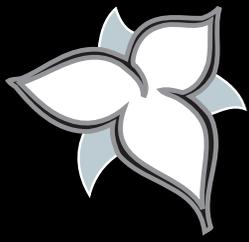
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Pickering-Scarborough East provincial NDP

NOVEMBER 2006



Eileen Higdon
President

At our last general meeting in June, we created

the new provincial riding of Pickering-Scarborough East with provincial borders now matching the federal ones. However, the federal and provincial riding associations remain separate entities, governed by different Acts, and with separate executives, and finances.

Key differences exist in our financial situations. Your membership fees go to the provincial party, which shares a minuscule percentage with the provincial riding association. For now, the provincial party is allowing to keep 100% of money we raise, but this may well change at our convention – 26-28 Jan, 2007 in Toronto).

The federal party also gets a share of your membership fees but our local federal riding association gets *nothing*. However, we keep every penny we raise locally.

Both levels of government have tax rebates for contributions to political parties. These are totally separate, so your provincial contribution doesn't affect your federal rebate and vice-versa. However, both are included with any campaign contributions to determine your total annual federal and provincial contributions.

Everyone's help is needed now Provincial election is next fall!

Provincially, you can contribute up to \$300 by the end of this year and get 75% of it back. For example, a contribution of \$100 will only cost you \$25 after the income tax rebate. Federally, you can contribute up to \$400 in a year while still getting 75% back so a contribution of \$400 only costs you \$100.

Because these are separate, you can contribute both \$300 provincially and \$400 federally and still get 75% back on each amount.

So I am asking you to give generously – preferably well before Decem-

ber 29th (the last day we can expect to get your contribution deposited for credit this year) – to help us prepare for the expected federal and confirmed provincial elections in 2007.

There is a pledge form below and a return envelope enclosed. I know that it seems everyone is asking you for money these days, but you are receiving this appeal because you know how important it is to elect more New Democrats. Your contribution, no matter how large or small, goes 100% towards helping us retake this riding.

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The agenda for meeting will include:

- constitutional amendments to conform with provincial restrictions on the executive,
- election of new officers if necessary,
- election of the provincial convention delegate,
- resolutions for convention.

In addition, there will be the usual reports from the President, CFO, and membership secretary, plus reports from the provincial council.

Pickering-Scarborough East Provincial NDP

yes!

I'd really like to help the Provincial Riding. I'm enclosing my cheque to help win Pickering Scarborough East for the NDP

name _____

address _____

phone () _____

e-mail _____

If today is not convenient, please feel free to date your cheque for later this year. As long as its dated by 29 Dec, you'll qualify for a 2006 contribution.