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Pickering-Scarborough East

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*With the ADQ gains on Monday,
the next Federal election*

Pickering Scarborough-East
Federal NDP Riding Association

Nomination Meeting

Tuesday, 10 April 2007
7:00 PM

- Meet the Contestants
- Hear about our election plans
- Vote for your NDP candidate!

Tall Pines Community Centre
64 Rylander Boulevard
*(north off Kingston Road, west of the
Sheppard Avenue intersection)*

Members and non-members are welcome.
Light refreshments will be served.

can't be far off !!

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 next February, you'll receive your official tax receipt. **This is the best way to support your NDP candidate and the work of your riding association.**

Second: Take advantage of this special opportunity to help out with the next Federal Election. Make your one-time contribution either by card or by cheque. If you prefer a credit card, your amount will be processed in late April. If a cheque is more convenient, please be sure your name and address is written on the face of your cheque.

Either way, indicate your choices by completing and mailing the coupon below. Better yet, bring along the form below when you join us at the nomination meeting.

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

The Elections Act limits your total annual contribution to a nomination contestant, an election candidate, and a riding association to \$1,100.

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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 _____

phone (____) _____ PC _____

e-mail _____

card number _____

expiry date _____

signature _____

As I write this, we learn that that ABQ supported the Harper budget. Compared to many of the budgets the Liberals have produced, this one isn't all that bad. This doesn't mean that it's a good budget. It just means that we've seen a lot worse over the last two decades.

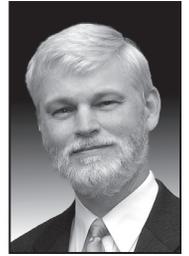
Canadians deserve better. If nothing else, our cities need the kind of stable funding that is completely missing from this budget. Our young people need lower tuitions. Our families need childcare. Everyone needs health care improvements like pharmacare, dental care, and eye care. Instead, we got another \$9 billion in corporate tax cuts.

There is no vision, no industrial strategy to stop the haemorrhaging of wealth producing manufacturing jobs.

With Monday's Quebec result, the Conservatives may still ask for an election. Given that there is no other party, or coalition of parties, that could reasonably form the government, the Governor General will have to allow it. This is a direct result of the so-called "strategic voting" that in both of the last two federal elections has actually resulted in the Conservatives getting more seats than if voters had simply voted according to their wishes.

So we must be ready for an election soon. We have our candidate

Lower tuition ? Dental coverage ? Childcare ? Pharmacare ?



Gary Dale
President

nomination meeting set. It will be a contested nomination so come out and listen to the nominees. Then make your choice. All members in good standing can vote, and unrenewed members can renew at the door!

If the election is called before our meeting, the meeting will be pushed forward. The location may also change. While we will try to call everyone if the meeting changes, check our web site for a meeting change notice if an election is called.

Of course, election campaigns cost money. I'd like to thank everyone who got their contributions in last year, but we need a lot more money to conduct a visible campaign.

We need volunteers. Unlike the other two parties, we can't afford to

hire people to distribute our literature. Last election we had enough volunteers to cover almost the entire riding. This time out, let's see if we can our campaign literature out to every voter more than once!

So please, don't wait to be asked. Complete the contribution form reproduced in this edition as soon as possible. We need to get our signs and literature ordered as quickly after our nomination meeting as we can. We need to start making phone calls and getting the campaign organised now!

The only way we're going to get the kind of budget Canada needs is by electing more New Democrats. We are the only ones who are willing to stand up for the everyday Canadians this budget forgot.

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Jennifer Forster

People

Jennifer Forster, age 35, youngest daughter of **John Forster** from his first marriage, was killed in a traffic accident on March 7. Our deepest sympathy goes out to John, his family, and everyone who knew Jenny. John has been active with the Scarborough East NDP for more years than most of us can remember. He has been waging his own battle with cancer since retiring from his job with the UFCW.

Ann Boddington is another long time Scarborough East activist. Known to almost everyone as its membership secretary, she had been in Scarborough General since early December. She was moved to the Rockcliff nursing home on March 12.

Congratulations go out to Pickering-Scarborough East's provincial treasurer **Bilal Shirazi** and his wife on their new son, Idrees.

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