



St. Paul's News

St. Paul's Federal Conservative Electoral District Association

Official Notice Annual General Meeting

The St. Paul's Conservative Electoral District Association will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Sunday March 1, 2009.

The board of directors election will be held at this meeting.

We invite you to attend the meeting. This will be a fantastic opportunity to meet fellow conservatives and learn how to support the Federal Conservative party in St Paul's.

All members are welcome to attend. Note that only individuals who have been members for at least 21 days are eligible to vote.

Sunday March 1, 2009
Registration: 2 PM
Call to Order: 2:30 PM
Holy Rosary Church
354 St. Clair Avenue West

President's Message



Fellow Conservatives,

It is with mixed emotions that I report I will be leaving St. Paul's to accept a position in the Prime Minister's Office in Ottawa. I have been honoured to serve as your Electoral District Association President since the founding of our party five years ago. In that time, Conservatives in St. Paul's have been leaders in the GTA and across the country. We were leaders in floor debates at national party conventions in Montreal and Winnipeg and we served as mentors to other Associations in Toronto. At our local policy meeting, members of the St. Paul's EDA proposed the creation of a common securities regulator. Not only was that proposal adopted by the party at the Winnipeg Convention, it was adopted by the government in Budget 2009. We really have made a difference!

We have come a long way as a party and as an EDA since the merger of our two legacy parties. Under the leadership of Mr. Harper, we have put past differences behind us and focused on the single goal of building a stronger and more prosperous Canada. At the local level, we assembled a board of directors that is the envy of the country. We have men and women of different backgrounds and from different areas of the riding, all working toward the goal of electing a Conservative MP. Although we have not yet achieved that goal, we are the EDA of choice for potential candidates and volunteers alike.

Thanks to your generous and ongoing support, our financial position is one of the strongest in the country. We have a dedicated team of experts in campaign readiness, CIMS (the party's membership database), Election Day activity, fundraising and the other essential priorities of running your EDA. Even the newsletter you are reading right now is an innovation of your EDA. Most importantly, we do everything possible using volunteer services. We do not use your donations for services than can be provided by volunteers.

As I leave, I am proud to report that I am leaving the EDA in a strong financial position and in the hands of strong leadership. I would like to thank Sarah Schroeder for taking on the duties of President during my transition to Ottawa. Sarah has been on the board for five years and has been a Vice-President in several capacities for the past three years. She is the foremost CIMS expert in the province and frequently conducts training sessions for other associations and campaigns. She is truly a dedicated Conservative.

I look forward to see you at our annual general meeting in March.

Sincerely,
Stephen B. Snell
President, St. Paul's Conservative EDA
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Conservative Convention 2008



The Conservative Party of Canada's policy convention was held this year in Winnipeg at the Winnipeg Convention Centre from November 13 – 15, 2008. Fresh from federal election victory, over 2,000 Conservative delegates attended and participated in our first policy convention since our party took power.

The Convention was a great success. The three day event provided an exciting opportunity for grassroots conservative members, candidates, Cabinet Ministers and Members of Parliament from across Canada to come together and discuss issues important to Canadians. Prime Minister Harper attended the opening night of the convention prior to leaving to represent Canada at the G-7 Summit.

Each of the 308 Conservative Party



National policy convention delegates were excited to visit Winnipeg in November.

electoral district associations from across Canada were invited to attend and to send 10 voting delegates to the Convention. St. Paul's held a delegate selection meeting in May where our local members elected our representatives. Each member of the St. Paul's delegation participated in important policy votes and discussions groups.

In the five short years since Stephen Harper and Peter MacKay announced that the Progressive Conservative Party and the Canadian Alliance were joining together to create the Conservative Party of Canada much has been accomplished. Our Party returns to Parliament with a stronger mandate to lead and now holds 19 more seats than 2006. Under the leadership of our Stephen Harper the Conservative Party is stronger than ever.

Christina Perrault
Vice President, St. Paul's EDA
Candidate of Record - Toronto Danforth

Budget 2009 Economic Action Plan for Canada

The Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance, tabled a comprehensive budget plan to stimulate economic growth, restore confidence and support Canadians and their families during a synchronized global recession. Measures included:

- Expanding and accelerating the recent historic federal investment in infrastructure with almost **\$12 billion in new infrastructure** stimulus funding for roads, bridges, broadband internet access, electronic health records, laboratories and border crossings across the country.
- Providing **\$20 billion in personal income tax relief** that will benefit Canadians over 2008-09 and the next five fiscal years as well as continued low Employment Insurance rates.
- Providing \$7.8 billion to build quality housing, stimulate construction and enhance energy efficiency. Measures include a **renovation tax credit** providing an estimated 4.6 million Canadian families up to **\$1,350 each**, funding for energy retrofits, investments for social housing to support low-income Canadians, seniors, persons with disabilities and Aboriginal Canadians, and low-cost loans to municipalities.
- Providing up to **\$200 billion** through the Extraordinary Financing Framework **to improve access to financing** for consumers and allow businesses to obtain the financing they need to invest, grow and create new jobs.
- Providing **\$8.3 billion for the Canada Skills and Transition Strategy**, which includes extra support for Canadians most affected by the economic downturn, including enhancements to Employment Insurance and more funding for skills and training.

The 2008 St. Paul's EDA Executive and Board of Directors

John Adams, Mimi Allemand, Allen Berg, Steve Blackburn, Sandra Broudy, Tim Bulmer, Jonathan Colford, Paul Connor, Thérèse Culnan, David Eason, Diane Gee, Ron Goldstein (Registered Agent), Jack Gurfinkel, Susan Hornsby, Heather Jewell, Michael Joyce, John P. Kennedy (VP Fundraising), Deborah Lewis, George MacDonell, Christina Perreault (Vice President), Matthew Power, Dr. Jeff Rabin, Ori Rubin, Sarah Schroeder (VP Election Readiness), Marnie Silver, James Small, Stephen B. Snell (President), Daniel Stone, Richard M. Tattersall, Kevin Weiner (Secretary)

ELECTION 2008: THANK YOU, ST. PAUL'S!

Although we weren't successful at electing Heather Jewell to represent St. Paul's as our Conservative MP, we had a fantastic volunteer effort.

On Election Day, we fielded over 100 volunteers supporting our "Get out the Vote" effort. This is a phenomenal show of support from our grassroots and we look forward to building upon this for the next election. I would also like to make special mention of our Election Day Chairs, Stephen B. Snell and John Adams, who kept everyone on task and organized through the day.

For those of you who volunteered your time, proudly displayed a conservative lawn sign, or were able to make a monetary donation, thank you. We hope you will continue to be involved with our Conservative team between election campaigns.

If you haven't already done so, a great way to keep active is to buy a membership in the party. This allows us to keep in touch with you on a regular basis to keep you apprised of Conservative

Party news and events within St. Paul's.

I also encourage you to consider donating to the local EDA. This money goes directly to activities in St. Paul's. The local EDA is responsible for ensuring that funds are in place for our candidates. Signs, campaign literature, office rent and communications costs all require local campaign funding. You can donate up to \$1100 to your local EDA and an additional \$1100 to the National Party

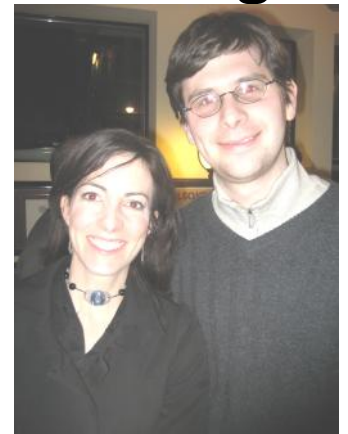
For your convenience, We have included donation forms and a membership application form on the last page of the newsletter.

Thank you St. Paul's for your support and thank you once again to Heather Jewell for representing us well.

Sarah Schroeder
Vice President, Election Readiness
sarah@sarahschroeder.com



Tories on the Town: Post Budget Pub Night



On January 27, 2009, St. Paul's Conservative EDA hosted a "Post Budget Pub Night" at the Fox & Fiddle restaurant for party members, supporters, and campaign volunteers. It was a great opportunity to reconnect with volunteers from the election and to say hi to some members who have recently moved into the riding. Based on the positive feedback we plan to host more events like this. Be sure to visit www.stpaulsconservative.com and sign up for email updates to receive notice of upcoming events.

ST. PAUL'S FEDERAL CONSERVATIVE EDA DONATION FORM

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Residential Address		City/Town	Province
Mailing Address (if different than above)		City/Town	Province
Home Phone	Business Phone	Mobile Phone	Email

Donation Amount

\$1100 \$500 \$250
 \$100 \$75 \$50
 Other: \$ _____

Payment Information

I have made a cheque payable to **St. Paul's Conservative EDA**.
 I am making a contribution with my **MasterCard** credit card.
 I am making a contribution with my **VISA** credit card.

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Cardholder' Name: _____

Cardholder's Signature: _____

Donation	Tax credit	Actual cost
\$50.00	\$37.50	\$12.50
\$75.00	\$56.25	\$19.00
\$100.00	\$75.00	\$25.00
\$250.00	\$187.50	\$63.00
\$500.00	\$350.00	\$150.00
\$1100.00	\$592.00	\$508.00

Fax: 416-360-5566 (attention Richard Tattersall/John P. Kennedy)
Mail: 141 Adelaide St. West, Suite 260 Toronto, ON M5H 3L5

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CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Residential Address		City/Town	Province
Mailing Address (if different than above)		City/Town	Province
Home Phone	Business Phone	Mobile Phone	Email

Check the length of membership you wish to purchase

1 year: \$10.00 2 year: \$20.00 3 year: \$30.00
 5 year: \$35.00 ← **BEST VALUE!**

Payment Information

I have made a cheque payable to **Conservative Fund Canada**.
 I am making this purchase with my **MasterCard** credit card.
 I am making this purchase with my **VISA** credit card.

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Cardholder' Name: _____

Cardholder's Signature: _____

Membership fees are non-refundable and not receiptable in accordance with Canada Revenue Agency Guidelines.

Be attaching payment I certify that I meet these conditions of membership:

- I am a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada,
- I actively support the founding principles of the CPC,
- I am at least 14 years of age.

If paying for more than one membership in a household with the same cheque or credit card I certify that:

- Each of the members is a member of my household and related to me and comply with the above conditions.
- Each membership paid for by my cheque or credit card has been bought with funds belonging to each of the new or renewing members and with their consent.

Applicant Signature