

Winnipeg South

Federal Liberal Association

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President's Message

This is a very exciting time to be part of the Liberal Party of Canada. Justin Trudeau has been a big hit during his visit to our province and the by-elections are drawing great interest in the party. I hope you had the chance to join the various car pools heading out to the Provencher Riding to help candidate Terry Hayward. The Provincial Policy Committee has a great event: Manitoba Matters III, planned for November 30 in Headingly, that will give grassroots guidance to the national policy committee and begin to prepare delegates for the Biennial Convention, February 21-23, 2014 in Montreal. It is indeed time for "Hope and Hard Work" as we begin to prepare for the next general election. I hope we will see you actively involved.

Jacquie Field

President

Winnipeg South News

Senator Gildas Molgat Award



On June 1 at the Liberal Party of Canada Manitoba (LPCM) AGM, the Liberal past-candidate for Winnipeg South, Terry Duguid was honoured with the Senator Gildas Molgat Award "for playing an integral role in building the organization of the Liberal Party of Canada, for mentor, for providing leadership and working with federal ridings in Manitoba."

Past-candidate Terry Duguid with WSFLA Coordinator for Richmond West, Meryle Lewis.

Power of Humanity Luncheon

On September 12, 2013, the Federal Liberal Associations of Winnipeg South and Winnipeg South Centre sponsored a table at the Red Cross Power of Humanity Luncheon. Awards were given to Gail Asper and to Hannah Taylor for their work on the Canadian Museum for Human Rights and Homelessness, respectively. Our Associations were represented by seven members.



Photo: WSFLA Past-candidate Terry Duguid and Winnipeg South Centre President Jason Gisser.

Trivia Night

And the winner is... Winnipeg South! Our team prevailed on September 18 at LPCM's third Trivia Night. Congratulations!



Provencher By-Election

WSFLA made a commitment to help with the Provencher by-election. Members and supporters of Winnipeg South participated in door-knocking and other activities organized by the Terry Hayward campaign team. Many took advantage of the organized car pools to participate in the weekend blitzes. To get the Liberal vote out, it was important to identify as many Liberals and liberal-minded people as we could in Provencher. This was an excellent opportunity to hone our skills for the next federal election, as well as help a Liberal candidate in a sister riding.

National News

Biennial Convention

The Liberal Party of Canada (LPC) will hold its Biennial Convention on February 21-23, 2014 in Montreal. <http://www.liberal.ca/newsroom/blog/montreal-2014-liberal-biennial-convention/>
<http://www.liberal.ca/2014-convention/>

Some Senators *Are* Working

What are our liberal senators working on despite the Senate scandals?

Sen. Maria Chaput (MB) - Minority language rights, supporting the Manitoba by-elections.

Sen. Munson (ON) - Autism Day; Special Olympics; a voice for individuals with special needs.

Sen. Jane Cordy (NS) - Health care critic; national strategy for MS; early childhood education.

Sen. Grant Mitchell (AB) - Harassment in RCMP; environmental protection; carbon off-set credits.

Sen. Art Eggleton (ON) - Rising income inequity in Canada.

Other issues the Senate has been dealing with: political control of the Mounties; the undermining of Elections Canada; and senate reform.

Upcoming Events

Manitoba Matters III

All Liberal members and supporters are invited to Manitoba Matters III, the LPC(M)'s 2013 Policy Conference on **Saturday, November 30, 2013** - 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Headingly Community Centre (5353 Portage Avenue). The event is an opportunity for Manitoba Liberals to discuss, identify and prioritize policy issues submitted to the LPC(M) Policy Committee. The 10 most important policies, chosen by those in attendance, will be sent to the plenary session at the LPC's Biennial Convention in Montreal, February 21-23, 2014. Register at <http://manitoba.liberal.ca/>



WSFLA Policy Committee
Chair, Bob Stokes

WSFLA Holiday Party

All Members and Supporters are invited to attend Winnipeg South Federal Liberal Association's annual holiday season festivities on the afternoon of **December 1, 2013** at the home of WSFLA President Jacquie Field, **640 Pasadena Avenue**, from **3-5 p.m.**. There will be a collection of items for Winnipeg Harvest.

Victory Fund



The simplest and most affordable way to support the Liberal Party and help pursue our national and local goals:

- You make small, monthly contributions of \$10 or more.
- Part goes to the national office and part goes to the riding of your choice.

You not only help the Liberal candidate in your riding but also allow the party to develop policy that will help build a better Canada and share our vision from coast to coast to coast.

After a year-end tax credit of up to 75%, your minimum \$10 monthly donation to the Victory Fund will cost you as little as \$2.50 per month - less than 10 cents a day! Give to the Victory Fund and help build the Canada of tomorrow, today. <https://action.liberal.ca/en/VictoryFund>

Quotable Opinions

“The notion that Stephen Harper should bear any responsibility for the actions of his staff, or indeed his own, is one of those quaint relics of a bygone age, like outdoor showers or honesty.” Andrew Coyne, Oct 3. <http://www.ottawacitizen.com/news/Senate+spending+scandal+honest+lies+have+been+rechristened+spin/9104495/story.html>

"...chronic funding neglect for basic research will do irreparable damage to our ability to generate knowledge, innovation and long-term economic prosperity." Josh D Neufeld Oct 21, 2013 <http://www.ipolitics.ca/2013/10/21/blinded-to-science-the-plight-of-basic-research-in-canada/>

“In its pursuit of tar sands expansion my government has restricted public participation in National Energy Board hearings, removed critical environmental laws, eliminated environmental assessments for major fossil fuel projects and shut down several climate research institutions.” Dr T. Berman, Canadian Resource Development Expert, Oct 11, 2013 – Sierra Club and NRDC Newsletter.