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## March 2011 Calgary-Mackay Update

The first three months of 2011 have been busy for me and the staff and volunteers at the Calgary-Mackay constituency office. We helped several constituents resolve their personal and community concerns through good communication and trust. As well, we were proud to support several community-oriented initiatives.

In my role as Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Employment and Immigration, I met with many hardworking Albertans at an industrial relations conference in Red Deer, held adult ESL consultations, as well as represented the minister at conversations throughout Alberta.

Adult language learners now have a free resource to improve their English using CBC Radio One news and feature stories with online written lessons. For more information and to download audio files and written lessons, visit [www.breakthewall.alberta.ca](http://www.breakthewall.alberta.ca)

The government will work to update the 2006 Building and Educating Tomorrow's Workforce strategy to adjust to current labour market needs. We must ensure roles in Alberta's workforce for mature workers and under-represented groups such as Aboriginal Albertans, people with disabilities, immigrants and young people. And as the Lieutenant Governor announced in the Throne Speech, our ten-point plan on occupational health and safety will continue, focusing on transparency, education, and enforcement.

As always, please contact me at the information below with any questions, concerns, or comments you may have as a member of our vibrant community. I encourage you to follow my work in the community daily on twitter: @TeresaMLA

Also, please sign up for our e-newsletter at my website.

Sincerely yours,

**Teresa Woo-Paw**  
MLA for Calgary Mackay



Cardel Place cheque presentation for facility upgrades on Feb. 2, 2011 with Sue Scott (General Manager, Cardel Place), Al-Karim Jivraj (President of the Board of Directors), Faisal Ali (Secretary of the Board and Chairman of Fund Development Committee).

**Join us for Coffee with the MLA**  
March 26, 2011 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m.  
at Cardel Place  
(11950 Country Village Link NE, Calgary)

**Education Townhall**  
with Minister Hon. Dave Hancock  
April 6, 2011 from 7–9 p.m. at  
Notre Dame High School  
(11900 Country Village Link NE, Calgary)



In October Teresa arranged a meeting with local Calgary nonprofits Calgary Bridge Foundation for Youth and Connections Education Society, and Minister of Education Dave Hancock to discuss education.

### Did you know about Celebratory Scrolls?

Celebratory Scrolls are available for constituents celebrating a birthday (65+), in 5 year intervals.

- For ages 65+ celebrants may receive scrolls from their MLA and their Member of Parliament.
- For ages 75+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Premier and the Prime Minister.
- For ages 80+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Lieutenant Governor.
- For ages 90+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Governor General.
- For ages 100+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Queen.

Anniversary scrolls are available to people celebrating their 25+ anniversary, in 5 year intervals.

- For 25+ celebrants may receive scrolls from their MLA, the Premier, their Member of Parliament, and the Prime Minister.
- For 50+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor General.
- For 60+ celebrants may also receive scrolls from the Queen.

Please call us to order scrolls for friends, family, or loved ones at least one month in advance to ensure all signatures can be obtained.



### Member Statement Given on February 24, 2011: Social Enterprise in the non-profit sector

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today to speak about social enterprise in the non-profit sector, which is defined as a business operation commonly run by a charity or non-profit organization with revenues reinvested into the programs and operations of the non-profit.

Examples of social enterprise include:

Revenues the Girl Guides generate from selling over four million boxes of cookies that goes toward funding their programs, and selling the cookies help Girl Guides gain valuable skills and experiences.

- Goodwill thrift stores generate revenue that help fund their operations, and also provide training for people with disabilities and inexperienced individuals to gain work experience.
- EthniCity Catering, a non-profit venture that specializes in multi-ethnic food produced by immigrant women who lack Canadian work experience, the revenues from the catering company help support the Centre for Newcomer's programs.

Mr. Speaker, our province has just joined a privilege rank in Canada's social entrepreneurship movement last week when Trico Charitable Foundation launched three exciting new programs with a financial commitment of two million dollars.

First, the Trico Foundation will provide funding and educational opportunities through their Enterprising Non-Profits-Alberta Program for organizations to evaluate and enhance their social enterprise. Enp-Alberta will empower non-profit groups to enhance their sustainability by providing grants and technical assistance to develop and grow their 'profit-generating' social enterprise.

Secondly, the Foundation promotes and encourages social entrepreneurship through its partnership with the Canadian Youth Business Foundation; and, by presenting four annual SocialEnterPrizes, which recognize entrepreneurship within the non-profit sector. Social enterprise builds greater resiliency and independence within the non-profit sector by helping organizations to stabilize and diversify their funding base while enhancing their programs or services. The result: stronger, more sustainable non-profits and healthier communities.

I applaud and extend best wishes to the Trico Charitable Foundation and Executive Chairman Wayne Chiu for their vision and commitment to growing a community of sustainable, entrepreneurial non-profit organizations in Alberta.



Calgary Taiwanese Canadian Association Chinese New Year Banquet.



As Parliamentary Assistant to the Ministry of Employment and Immigration, Teresa is conducting ESL and Temporary Foreign Worker Roundtables throughout Alberta.

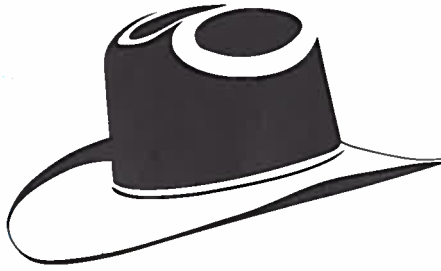
CIP presentation to the Palliser-Bayview-Pumphill Community Association President Jens Hornbruch and Janine MacDonald.



Teresa presents a scroll to the India Canada Association of Calgary on January 29.



Teresa presents a certificate at the 90th Anniversary Banquet of the Yee Fong Toy Benevolent Society



### Annual Calgary-Mackay Stampede Breakfast

Saturday, July 9th, 2011, from 8-11 a.m. at Cardel Place.

Mark your calendars! We are looking for volunteers to assist with the event: youths and adults, groups, families and individuals to create a memorable day for the community. If you're musical artistic and would like to demonstrate your talents to the community, we would love to have you perform.

To volunteer, please contact Matt at the constituency office at 403-274-1931 or [calgary.mackay@assembly.ab.ca](mailto:calgary.mackay@assembly.ab.ca)

Hope to see you there!



Breakfast Television parenting panel on Feb. 3, 2011 with Dr. Karen Benzies from the University of Calgary Faculty of Nursing, discussing "Tiger moms".



Seniors playing Wii at the Seniors Resource fair, Building Blocks at Cardel Place.

Teresa presents a CFEP cheque in the amount of \$125,000 to Karen MacDonald, Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club of Airdrie. The funds will assist with upgrades to the Ron Ebbesen Arena.



The Calgary United Sports Table Tennis Association (CUSTTA) engages people of all ages to play this recreational sport. Teresa supported CUSTTA's 9th Annual CUSTTA Annual Banquet.

# Eye health is everyone's concern



Do you have trouble reading your favourite books, difficulty seeing when driving at night, or maybe things are fuzzy at the market? Our vision is essential to everyday living and we should not take it for granted. While these are all issues that require some medical attention, a trip to the doctor's office or the emergency room might not be the best first choice. Why not try an optometrist?

Optometrists are healthcare professionals specialising in eyes and vision. Optometrists are qualified not only to write prescriptions for glasses or contact lenses, but can also properly diagnose and treat eye diseases such as infections and glaucoma. Should the need for further medical attention arise, they can ensure you are met at the hospital by an ophthalmologist (medical and surgical eye specialist) or referred to an ophthalmology clinic for specialised monitoring and care.

Some optometrists in Calgary-Mackay are also interested in how eye health relates to underlying medical conditions, such as diabetes, and overall health. They can also tell you if pre-existing medical diagnoses could affect your eyesight.

Alberta Health and Wellness provides one complete exam, one partial exam and one diagnostic procedure per benefit year for children under 19 years of age and seniors age 65 and over. Additional benefits are available to these age groups for some medical conditions. Alberta residents between the ages of 19 and 64, who require an eye examination for a medical condition, episode of illness or trauma, may be eligible for an eye examination if the optometrist deems it as an insured eye examination. Consult with your health care professional on services covered.

Some optometrists in the Calgary-Mackay constituency include:

**Foresight Eyecare**  
#226, 40 Country Hills Lndg NW  
403-226-8881  
foresighteyecare.com

**Blink Eyewear and Optometry**  
#4 - 12192 Symons Valley Rd NW  
403-516-2292  
blinkeyewear.ca

**Site for Sight**  
#713, 500 Country Hills Blvd NE  
403-226-7638

**Progressive Optometry**  
34 Panatella Blvd NW  
403-398-7765  
www.progressiveoptometry.ca

For a complete list of optometrists see: [optometrists.ab.ca/find-an-optometrist](http://optometrists.ab.ca/find-an-optometrist)

Your eyesight is no laughing matter. Be sure to see an optometrist regularly, particularly if you have any vision issues.



Harvest Hills Bethany Care Society Garden Day. Teresa helped paint and do gardening around the Bethany Care Society.



Teresa supported the proposal of the Panorama Hills Community Enhancement Society to build a playground for the students of Panorama Hills School. The proposal was accepted and on October 15th building began. It was a cold but fun day building the playground for the excited students.



Tourism Calgary's 25th Annual Open House at Heritage Park's Gasoline Alley with Tourism Calgary Chairman George Brookman, and CEO Randy Williams.



Teresa presents the Long Term Staff Award to Anita Chan at the 14th Annual Chinese Academy Dinner. Left to right: Elaine Chan (Principal of Chinese Academy), Teresa, Long Term Staff Award Recipient, Martina Lui (Chinese Academy Board President) and husband Paul Lui.



Teresa with Kevin Lynch (Vice-Chair, BMO Financial Group) and Mel Cappe, IRPP President, at Policy Options Working Lunch: "From Climate Change to Clean Energy" February 9, 2011



Colleen, Randy, and Matthew Dyck (constituents of Calgary-Mackay). Matthew is collecting some pins for a hockey tournament that he and his team, the International Explorers are taking in March to Germany and Italy.

As always, we encourage you to contact us if you would like information about any initiatives mentioned here, or on any other topic or concern. As well, we would like to hear about your accomplishments so that we can recognise the great work of the residents of Calgary-Mackay!

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