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# E-Newsletter

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APRIL 2010**

## AT WORK FOR YOU!

Dear Constituents,

First, I hope you had a good Easter week-end. April is here, the parliamentary session is well underway and lots of work is being accomplished, especially in the Fisheries and Oceans Committee and the Official Languages Committee on which I sit.

Over the last month we celebrated International Women's Day on March 8, St. Patrick's Day on March 17, the International Day of La Francophonie on the 20th, and the Purple Day for Epilepsy on the 26th.

I also took part in a number of events recently. To celebrate International Women's Day, I was Guest Speaker at the Women's World Day of Prayer Service at St. Peter's Anglican Church, Millerton, on March 5 and I attended a luncheon with the newly appointed Senator Rose-May Poirier. On March 7, I attended "Irish Tea" at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Miramichi. On March 13, I went to the Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner at the Chatham Head Recreation Centre. On March 14, I attended Provincial Nomination Convention at the Neguac Legion. On March 20, we had an Electoral District Association Meeting and Community Supper at Tabusintac Community Hall. And on the 27th, we toured the Port of Belledune.

Don't forget that we've launched a drawing contest in the riding's high schools to decorate our 2011 calendar. Thanks for spreading the word! More information is available in the schools or by clicking on the link to the right.

Lastly, the Teachers' Institute on Canadian Parliamentary Democracy will be held again this year from October 31 to November 5, 2010, in Ottawa. It's an excellent experience for teachers. More information and the link can be found on page 2.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 506-778-8448 or toll-free at 1-800-567-5564, or by email at [oneilt@parl.gc.ca](mailto:oneilt@parl.gc.ca).

Sincerely,

*Tilly*

### USEFUL LINKS

[Resources for Teachers](#)

[Departments and Agencies](#)

[DRAWING CONTEST](#)

### **HIGHEST RATED MP !**

Go to [www.ratemymla.ca](http://www.ratemymla.ca) and click on **New-Brunswick**, then on **Tilly O'Neill Gordon**. You can vote and post a comment. Thanks !

You can visit Tilly's web site at: [www.tillygordon.ca](http://www.tillygordon.ca)

You can join Tilly on [Facebook](#).

You can watch her videos on [YouTube](#).

## ***Congratulations to the 27th annual Miramichi Irish Festival !***

The Government of Canada has provided funding of **\$13,100** through the Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage program of the Department of Canadian Heritage. The Miramichi Irish Festival will run from July 15 to 18 at venues across the city. Events will take place at the New Brunswick Community College, the Lord Beaverbrook Arena, and the Miramichi waterfront. Tilly O'Neill Gordon is also pleased to announce that the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Jim Flaherty, himself of Irish descent, will attend the festival.

## Marking the End of an Era – Message of the Day

Jean-Pierre Blackburn, Canada's Minister of Veterans Affairs, officially launched an advertising campaign to commemorate the sacrifices made by our First World War veterans. This complements other commemorative events planned by our government to mark the End of an Era, culminating with a National Day of Remembrance to be observed on Vimy Ridge Day, April 9<sup>th</sup> 2010.

Canada's contribution to the First World War helped define us as a nation and shape the country in which we live today. This campaign will help spread the message that on April 9, Canadians will stand united in remembrance of and gratitude to those who authored one of the most important chapters in our nation's history.

As well as the national commemorative ceremony on April 9, international commemorative ceremonies and activities in the provincial and territorial capitals are planned to recognize all those who served Canada during the First World War.

The Government of Canada is also providing the opportunity for the public to pay their respects by signing special Books of Reflection which will be on display at various locations across the country and overseas and also available online at [www.vac-acc.gc.ca](http://www.vac-acc.gc.ca).

Canada marks the End of an Era – the passing of a generation that asserted our independence on the world stage and established our international reputation as an unwavering champion of freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law.

## Teachers Institute on Canadian Parliamentary Democracy

**OCTOBER 31 TO NOVEMBER 5, 2010**

The Teachers Institute is a unique professional development opportunity for teachers of governance and citizenship education. Each November, the program brings together approximately 70 educators from across the country, for an intensive, informative, unforgettable week on Parliament Hill.

To participate, you have to send you application completed electronically or be postmarked no later than April 30, 2010.

For all the details just [click here](#).



### Happy Birthday !

*Mr. Thomas Power and Mrs. Gertrude Howe joined the centenaries club of the Miramichi riding ! Mr. Ernest Richard also celebrated his 100th birthday and will celebrate his 70th wedding anniversary later this year!*

*Mrs. Muriel Morris celebrated her 103th anniversary and Mrs. Flora Thibodeau her 109th birthday !*

*Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Eugene & Verna Dunnett. Barb Hitchman, Betty O'Neill, Plen Dickson and Mr. Lange also celebrated their birthday in March.*

*\*If you want to present someone with a certificate or announce someone's birthday or anniversary here, get in touch with me. I look forward to hearing from you!\**

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*Interested in having your Member of Parliament attend an event in the riding?*

*Please contact your constituency office at 778-8448 or 1 800-567-5564.*

Please feel free to forward this to anyone you think might be interested. If you have received this from a friend and would like to sign up to regularly receive **Staying Connected**, if you have questions or comments, please email me at [oneilt@parl.gc.ca](mailto:oneilt@parl.gc.ca) or call me at 506-778-8448.