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Rick Norlock Launches PROUD TO BE CANADIAN CAMPAIGN

How would you like to live in the Most Patriotic Riding in Canada? With glowing hearts and true patriot love, we can make it happen.

To demonstrate our love for Canada, a number of my colleagues in Parliament and I have launched the **PROUD TO BE CANADIAN** campaign. The idea is to get as many residents of our riding and other ridings (ideally, everyone from coast to coast to coast!) to display the Canadian Flag leading up to, and on Canada Day.

To participate, place the enclosed flag on a window or door where it is visible to the public and fill out the reply card to notify my office of your participation. You must send in the reply card if you want your home to be counted in the official tally, so please remember to do so. The winner will be granted the title of "Most Patriotic Riding in Canada."

The campaign is a lot of fun, and a terrific opportunity to demonstrate both your love for Canada and some old-fashioned home town pride. If we all pitch in, I know we can show the rest of Canada the strong, deep-rooted Canadian patriotism we all share.

Best Regards,

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The History of Canada Day

For Canadians from coast to coast to coast, Canada Day is a very anticipated national holiday, and a welcomed opportunity for enjoying the time of the season with friends and family, and even watching a fireworks display.

Canadians enjoy July 1st in many different ways, but Canada Day is, first and foremost, a day to celebrate the country we know and love. This is a tradition Canadians have been participating in for decades.

Canada's confederation came into existence when Queen Victoria gave Royal Assent to the British North American Act (BNA Act) in March of 1867. The proclamation read: "We do ordain, declare, and command that on and after the First day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-seven, the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, shall form One and be Dominion, under the name of Canada."

On June 20th 1868, a proclamation signed by the Governor General, Lord Monck, called upon Canadians to join in the celebration of the anniversary of the formation of the union of the provinces in a federation under the name of Canada on July 1st. The July 1st holiday was established by statute in 1879, under the name of Dominion Day.

As new provinces and territories became part of Canada, Dominion Day came to be celebrated across the country. There are no records of organized ceremonies after the first anniversary, except for the 50th anniversary of Confederation in 1917. At that time the new Center Block of Parliament was under construction, and it was dedicated as a memorial to the Fathers of Confederation and to the courage of Canadians fighting in the First World War in Europe. The next celebration was held in 1927 to mark the Diamond Jubilee of Confederation.

Since 1958, the Government has arranged for an annual observance of Canada's national day. The format includes a trooping of the Colours ceremony on the lawn of Parliament Hill in the afternoon, a sunset ceremony in the evening followed by a mass band concert and fireworks display. Many Canadians still remember Canada's Centennial in 1967 when Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II attended a large-scale celebration on Parliament Hill.

On October 27th 1982, "Dominion Day" officially became known as "Canada Day".

Have fun this Canada Day, but please take time to reflect upon our Country's incredible history and culture.

The Maple Leaf as a Canadian Symbol

Long before the ships of Cabot, or when Cartier and Champlain appeared on Canada's eastern horizon, Canada's aboriginal peoples discovered the importance of maple sap and used it for culinary purposes. In fact, an Iroquois legend recalls ancestors piercing Maple Bark and using its "sweet water" to cook venison.

Many historians believe that the maple leaf began serving as a Canadian symbol as early as 1700. As time passed Canadians became increasingly aware of the maple leaf as a distinct part of the Canadian identity.

In 1834, Ludger Duvernay is reported to have proposed the maple leaf as an emblem of Canada when the *Société Saint-Jean-Baptiste* was founded on June 24th of that year. Two years later, *Le Canadien*, a newspaper published in Lower Canada, referred to it as the suitable emblem for Canada.

In August 1860, at a public meeting held in Toronto, the maple leaf was adopted as the national emblem of Canada for use in the decorations for the Prince of Wales' Visit.

One of the most enthusiastic advocates of the Maple leaf was Alexander Muir, a Toronto schoolmaster and poet. In 1867, in honour of Confederation, he composed the song *The Maple Leaf Forever*.

During the First World War, many Canadian soldiers respectfully wore the maple leaf on military badges, and it was the dominant symbol used by many Canadian regiments.

In 1957, the colour of the maple leaves on the arms of Canada was changed from green to red, one of Canada's official colours. And, on February 15th 1965, the red maple leaf flag was inaugurated as the National Flag of Canada.

The maple leaf has become a globally recognized symbol of our country. Canadians from coast to coast to coast can take pride in all that it represents.

Show your pride in Canada.

Will you display the Canadian flag on your residence leading up to, and on Canada Day?

YES, count me in as a Proud Canadian!

I'm not interested in participating.

Do you feel that Rick Norlock is on the right track?

Yes No

Which party best represents your views on today's issues?

Conservative Liberal NDP Green Other

Are you a (check all that apply)?

Senior Homeowner Veteran Student

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Announcement, Events and Photos in Northumberland-Quinte West



Ambassadorial Visit to CFB Trenton

Ambassador Georges de la Roche of Guatemala and Ambassador Manuel Kanonnikoff of Paraguay visit CFB Trenton



Grand Opening of Flare Paint and Home Décor

L to R: Rick Norlock, MP; Interior Decorator Brittany Armstrong; and Paint Consultant Patty Krakenberg.

Governments of Canada and Ontario Invest in Highway Infrastructure in Northumberland-Quinte West

Investing in the local economy and improving local infrastructure for years to come.

- Rehabilitation of Stockdale Bridge Road. **\$600,000** in joint federal and provincial funding for resurfacing and repairs.
- Rehabilitation of Herely Road Bridge. **\$1.5 million** in joint federal and provincial funding to improve safety and traffic flow.

Our Office is Now Carbon Neutral!

Under the new Tree Canada Protocol, our office is **now carbon neutral**. Tree Canada, a not for profit enterprise since 1992, has calculated the carbon emissions for our office as required for carbon offset.

This spring, we will perform a ceremonial tree planting as well as announce the location of the plantation.

Visit www.treecanada.ca for more information.



Rail Crossing Improvements in Cramahe Township and in Cobourg

\$587,725 in funding to upgrade Bellamay road crossing in Cramahe and the crossing at Boock Road North in Cobourg.

L to R: Marc Coombs, Mayor of Cramahe Township; Moira Chatterson, Cramahe Township; Cori Arthur, Northumberland Tourism; Rick Norlock, MP; Peter Nielson, Manager of Roads Operation Northumberland County; and Deputy Mayor Jim Williams of Cramahe Township.



Ralph Dudley at the Warkworth Nursing Home, celebrating his 99th birthday.

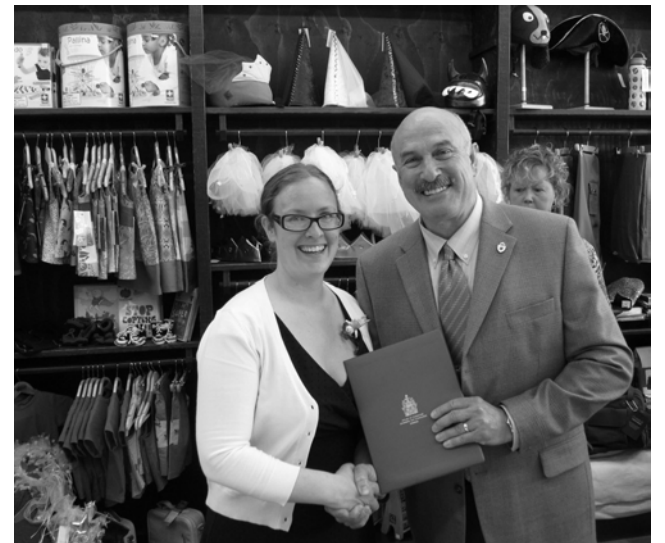


Trenton Rotary Donates Fire Truck to Dominican Republic

The fire truck was purchased by Carl and Christina Eggiman, from the Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield Township and County of Peterborough. Quinte West Fire Department donated uniforms and gear to accompany the truck. A set of 'jaws of life' were donated by the Rotary Club of Picton.



Opening of Canadian Naval Centennial Display at Port Hope Public Library



Grand Opening of Higglety Pigglety

Port Hope. Rick Congratulates owner Debbie Beattie



Did You Know?

The Fairness at the Pumps Act (Bill C-14) Will:

- ◆ Make retailers more accountable for the accuracy of their measuring devices.
- ◆ Fine retailers \$10,000 for minor offences and up to \$50,000 for repeat offences of measurement inaccuracies.
- ◆ Benefit consumers by ensuring a fair and efficient marketplace with accurate measurement.

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