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Good Morning:

We have a choice to make!

Please forward this email to all your contacts, and encourage them to re-elect Jack Hayden.

Thanks for your support and help.

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Attached is a bulletin from this morning!
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April 22, 2012

Message For Everyone:

1. Undecided Voters

An analysis of our research in this campaign suggests that if undecided voters can be urged to vote, the PC Party will take a greater percentage of these voters than will other parties.

Therefore, for constituencies that have the capacity, we are recommending that you expand your GOTV efforts beyond Decided vote, and also contact known Undecided Voters.

2. Polls

The Globe and Mail is publishing a Forum poll this morning that says the Wildrose is nine points ahead of the PCs and, in a bizarre interpretation, suggests that means they will win over 60 seats. While the Globe acknowledges that the Forum methodology is "disputed", this poll could cause our supportive voters to believe that it is not worth their while to vote because the outcome is pre-determined.

The Forum Polls - as always - are outliers. They have consistently overestimated Wildrose support and underestimated PC support. I am frankly disappointed that a reputable paper like the Globe would publish it.

Here is our internal polling, right up until last night. Our polling is based on voice calls (not push button polls) and we ensure a demographic weighting that matches the population (unlike push button polls).

- * We have a four point lead overall. Given the margin of error, that probably means a tie in many constituencies
 - * We have a 14-point lead amongst women. Focus on getting women out to vote.
 - * We lead, at least modestly, in all three regions (Edmonton, Calgary, Outside the Big Cities) albeit we know that Outside the Big Cities can vary significantly from constituency to constituency
 - * 30% of the electorate is still "looking for more information" before making up their minds. Undecided voters are more likely to be men.
 - * Momentum for the Wildrose is -19; momentum for the PCs is -8. That is a reversal from earlier in the campaign (the number is based on respondents saying whether their opinion of a party has improved or not improved based on what they have Read/Seen/Heard recently).
 - * Premier Redford has a 7-point lead as best premier. She is still an asset, as she has been all along.
 - * Premier Redford's "favourables" are at +26; Smith's are at +15
 - * 36% of Albertans think a Wildrose government would be "bad for them". These are strategic voters who are willing to vote PC in order to block a Wildrose win.
- Please keep your foot on the pedal. This is going to be tight. We need our supporters to cast a vote, and I believe that if we can get undecideds to the polls, that will benefit us.

Thank you all, and good luck tomorrow.

Susan Elliott
Campaign Manager, PC Alberta 2012

Important Message - GOTV!

Voter turnout is often contingent on whether people feel the choice before them is important. In this election, the choice is very, very clear. The two front running parties have a very different vision for where to take Alberta.

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Faced with this kind of clear choice, voters will vote. Because it matters, and they care.

The large numbers at advance polling is a good indication of strong interest.

What are we doing?

Elections are still won on the ground. We have been doing voter ID since the beginning of the campaign. Now is the time to get

them to the polls. Typically we do that by phoning them. Some things don't change.

Anything Else

We had a great rally in Edmonton on Saturday morning (<http://bit.ly/JvtsWj>) ; and another one will happen in Calgary on Saturday evening. These help energize the volunteers for the hard work to come.

We also did a tele-town-hall with the Premier on Saturday morning. This was targeted to undecided voters and gives Albertans a chance to listen directly to the Premier, and possibly to ask a question. New technology makes this possible - in previous years it would not have been feasible to have the Premier speak to 10,000 people all at once on the phone. It was a great success!

Susan Elliott
Campaign Manager, PC Alberta 2012

A Fact Worth Knowing:

It's Earth Day today! Celebrated every April 22, Earth Day is the largest, most celebrated environmental event worldwide. More than 6 million Canadians join 1 billion people in over 170 countries in staging events and projects to address local environmental issues. Nearly every school child in Canada takes part in an Earth Day activity.

Quote of the Day:

"Our message has been consistent; our candidates' message has been consistent. There is certainly a lot of work that happens in this campaign where there are ups and downs. I have been very proud of the way we've been able to continue talking about investing in Alberta's future." - Premier Redford

Premier's Schedule:

Calgary, AB - Alberta Premier Alison Redford will be attending the following public events Sunday April 22, 2012.

10:00 AM	Photo-Op: Calgary-Currie (Christine Cusanelli) Whistle Stop Coffee Cats Café, 2765 17th Ave SW, Calgary
11:00 AM	Photo Op: Calgary-Bow (Alana DeLong) Visit Cadence Coffee Shop, 6407 Bowness Rd NW, Calgary
12:15 PM	Photo Op: Calgary-West (Ken Hughes) Whistle Stop 112, 555 Strathcona Blvd SW, Calgary
1:00 PM	Media Availability & Photo Op: Calgary-Mountain View (Cecilia Low) Whistle Stop 720 3rd Street NW, Calgary
1:45 PM	Photo Op: Calgary-East (Moe Amery) Whistle Stop Bay 18, 3012 17th Ave SE, Calgary
2:45 PM	Photo Op: Calgary-Foothills (Len Webber) Visit 10109 Hidden Valley Drive NW, Calgary
3:35 PM	Photo Op: Calgary-Greenway (Manmeet Bhullar) Visit Unit 15, 5 Coral Springs Blvd NE, Calgary
4:30 PM	Photo Op: Calgary-Elbow Visit

5:10 PM

Garrison Woods Safeway, 2425 34th Ave SW, Calgary
Photo Op: Visit with Calgary-Elbow Volunteers
Garrison Pub, 2040 42 Ave SW, Calgary

News From Today:

Redford having fun in final stretch: Are we having fun yet?

With just two days left in a 28-day campaign, Progressive Conservative leader Alison Redford faces the possibility of losing her party's 41-year grasp on power, but the pressure doesn't seem to bother her.

She says she is having fun.

Despite polls suggesting the likelihood of either a Wildrose majority or minority and a particularly nasty campaign filled with personal attacks, Redford says she wouldn't have missed it for the world. (Darcy Henton, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6497793/story.html>

Seniors will have clout on election day: Routinely, three out of four Alberta seniors can be counted on to vote in municipal, provincial and federal elections. This contrasts sharply with the 45 per cent of reliable voters between the ages of 25 and 44.

At first blush, this could seem less than relevant, given that Alberta's seniors population is approximately 425,000, or about eight per cent of the total. But when you take into account that just over 940,000 Albertans are too young to cast a ballot, that leaves 2,265,000 eligible voters for Monday's election - and almost one in five are seniors. (Arlene Adamson, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/life/Seniors+will+have+clout+election/6498949/story.html>

Alberta campaigns target Calgary on final day: Today's the last day of campaigning in Alberta's election, in a tight race between the province's two conservative parties, the Progressive Conservatives and the Wildrose.

Albertans go to the polls Monday in a provincial election, and after decades at the top, the ruling PCs, who have held power for more than 40 years in the natural resources-rich province are facing a stiff challenge from the Wildrose, especially in the south. (CBC News)

Read more: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/albertavotes2012/story/2012/04/22/alberta-election-final-day-campaigning.html>

What does the Alberta election mean for Canada?: Albertans will head to the polls on Monday, marking the end of a tight provincial election that could oust the Progressive Conservatives after 41 years in power.

The Wildrose party and its leader, Danielle Smith, have a good chance at ousting the governing PCs - meaning a slate of rookie candidates could soon be in control of the resources-rich province.

The smaller parties have been fighting for visibility in an election has largely been a battle between the PCs and Wildrose, as both conservative parties have been dominating the polls. (CBC News)

Read more: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/yourcommunity/2012/04/what-does-the-alberta-election-mean-for-canada.html>

Analysis: Spirited election has changed Alberta's political scene: For Albertans accustomed to sleepwalking through their provincial elections, the last four weeks of the 2012 campaign has provided a sudden, jarring wake-up call.

Voters have been exposed to a "bust" bus, Dani-dollars, Twitter tiffs, bigotry claims, robocall controversy, the best political debate in years, multibillion-dollar election promises and enough intrigue for a John le Carre novel.

Even Rip Van Winkle couldn't snooze through this ruckus.

And the most critical piece of this drama has yet to play out. (Tony Seskus, National Post)

Read more: <http://news.nationalpost.com/2012/04/22/analysis-spirited-election-has-changed-albertas-political-scene/>

Smith visits crucial ridings to drum up support: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith acknowledged Saturday her party has taken some "body blows" in the second half of the provincial election race, but said her party is still in good position to claim victory Monday night.

The comments came as Smith made her final campaign push in the Edmonton area, visiting a number of key ridings in and around the capital that could determine whether her party ends up as the new government or in opposition. (Keith Gerein, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Smith+visits+crucial+ridings+drum+support/6498086/story.html>

Brunnen: A greater Alberta relies on a strong economy: Economic competitiveness is a priority that should be addressed in this provincial election. While Alberta is experiencing strong economic and employment activity, it is important to keep in mind that the global economy continues to be fragile, and everything from a financial crisis in Europe, to slower growth in the United States, to reduced demand for Chinese exports could seriously impact our fortunes.

Read more:

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/business/Brunnen+greater+Alberta+relies+strong+economy/6499380/story.html#ixzz1sn7uJU54>

Advance polls boom right away: Advanced polls opened Thursday and the immediate turnout was "heavy, very heavy" according to local Returning Officer Allan Bloomfield. "And it's been very heavy across the province," said Bloomfield. "Talking with other offices, there were lineups down the block in Vegreville and at the West Edmonton Mall." (Medicine Hat News)

Read more: <http://www.medicinehatnews.com/alberta-election-2012/advance-polls-boom-right-away.html>

Opposition Watch:

Brian Mason:

EDMONTON: News conference on fighting private healthcare (Copeman Clinic, 10216 124 St., 11 a.m.);

Meet and greet with Chinese elders (Edmonton Chinese Elders Mansion, 9550 102 Ave., 2 p.m.)

Danielle Smith:

(Plus four late additions)

CALGARY: Photo opportunity at Dashmesh Culture Centre (135 Martindale Blvd. NE, 11:30 a.m.);
Speech to Calgary supporters (Challis-Yager campaign office, 7819 112 Ave NW, suite 31, 1:00 p.m.)

Raj Sherman:

(Unspecified Red Deer activities)

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Social Media Update:

Its voting time! In order to help get out the vote, please use this photo as your profile pic on Facebook, Twitter, and other Social Media networks. Share with your friends and family, and on your Facebook Page wall, tweet out the link , lets paint social media with PC Blue!

Click on the following link to download the image.

<http://www.votepc.ca/public/data/documents/facebookvotejpg.jpg>

Today's theme is GOTV:

Sample Tweet: 20 hrs until the polls close lets paint this province orange and blue! #abvote #pcaa #GOTV

Please make sure that you are taking pictures of volunteers and supporters and posting them on Facebook and Twitter. We need to continue building momentum!

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Subject: Fwd: The final stretch

Hi:

I hope you are enjoying a beautiful sunny Sunday. The following bulletin includes some links on the PC Senate Candidates, and you might want to review this before the vote tomorrow.

Let's all focus on getting Jack Hayden supporters out to the polls. Tomorrow evening we will be in Rowley, and if you want to drop in for some pizza and get up to date election results, please plan to attend.

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As we enter the last weekend of the campaign, Albertans have to make a choice. A choice that will set the path for the future of Alberta. We can put up walls...or we can build bridges. We can be afraid of the rest of the world...or we can be proud of who we are. We can say that the best days are behind us...or we can stand tall on the shoulders of those who came before us...determined that our best days are yet to come. We have a choice! - Premier Redford

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In today's Calgary Herald, columnist Robert Remington offers his perspective on the future of Alberta and what makes these two parties so different from one another.

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/opinion/Remington+this+conservative+Dani/6495004/story.html>

Every vote counts!

The polls continue to show that the Progressive Conservative candidates and the Wildrose competitors are neck and neck in ridings across Alberta. The outcome of this election is up to each and every vote that is cast. Recent polls have projected that 75% of Wildrose supporters intend to vote in this election, in contrast to fewer than 70% of Progressive Conservative supporters. With so many constituencies likely to won or lost by fewer than 100 votes, it has never been more important to take the time to vote.

Thank you to the hundreds of people that have been working tirelessly to support PC candidates over the course of campaign. The outcome of this election will be determined by the team that works the hardest! For more information on where to vote, visit: <http://wtv.elections.ab.ca/>

Albertans tune into Premier Redford

This morning, over 19,000 Albertans tuned into a telephone townhall to listen to Premier Redford and ask important policy questions that are burning in their minds as we head into the final days of the campaign. These were non-partisan Albertans asking real questions – and getting real answers. This is the PC style of open and transparent leadership. As a party and as a government, we welcome the tough questions and are prepared to listen to ideas that come from the people that have elected us.

Three votes for PC senators

When you cast your vote for your constituency Progressive Conservative candidate, you may also cast three votes for your PC senator candidates!



Alberta is a strong province. Our people and our economy help the rest of Canada flourish. Yet our voice is often stifled on the national stage. Alberta cannot risk leaving our fortunes in the hands of the other provinces or the federal government. We must use our natural fortitude, our determination and our brains to make our own luck.

www.dougblack.ca



My first priority in the Senate would be to stand up for what is important to Albertans. It is vital for Canadians to understand the importance of Albertan's energy and other natural resources and securing the markets and talents needed to develop these resources.

www.mikeforsenate.ca



provides independent, sober and effective second thought, that gives voice to regions outside Central Canada, and that reaffirms democratic legitimacy.

www.scottannas.com



Find out more

There are many events and activities to take part in for the upcoming election. Would you like to find out how to support your local candidate? Would you like to find out what else is happening in the lead up to the campaign? Make sure you book mark our new website: votepc.ca

get connected!



**Watch the latest videos,
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Just some additional information on the property rights issue.

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<http://www.westernwheel.com/article/20120418/WHE0904/304189972/-1/whe0904/property-rights-havent-been-taken-away>

Property rights haven't been taken away

Apr 18, 2012 06:00 am

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Good Morning:

If you get a chance to listen to one of the Q-network local radio stations this morning, please plan to tune in at 11:30 a.m.

Our volunteers are distributing scrutineer forms today, and we still have a few more signs to put up.

Plan to spend your Monday night in Rowley, Alberta. We will be there serving some pizza and refreshments, and thanks to [REDACTED], we'll have access to provincial results, and most importantly Drumheller-Stettler poll by poll results. It's a great opportunity to show your support for Jack!

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ing of April 20, 2012

Out the Vote:

ng your teams out to the rallies in Edmonton & Calgary!!

Edmonton:



Energize! Breakfast
with Premier Alison Redford and Capital
Region Candidates

Premier Alison Redford and Capital Region Candidates will be
joined by campaign teams and supporters for an exciting and
energizing breakfast to kick-off the final three days of the
campaign!

Saturday, April 21 at 8:00 am - 9:30 am
Alberta Ballroom, Edmonton EXPO Centre at Northlands Park (7515 118 Ave)
Continental breakfast will be provided and parking is free!

Calgary:



Team Round-Up!
with Premier Alison Redford and Calgary Region
Candidates

Join Premier Alison Redford and the Calgary Region Candidates,
campaign teams and supporters for an exciting evening to kick-off
the final full day of the campaign!

Saturday, April 21 at 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Gasoline Alley at Heritage Park (1900 Heritage Dr SW)
light refreshments provided, cash bar, and free parking!

Come out and celebrate our Premier, our Party and our Candidates!

pollsters have predicted that Monday's election will have the highest voter turnout in history. The Wildrose are counting on a low turnout to turn the tides of victory. There are many ridings - particularly in Edmonton and Calgary - that are a dead heat. Every vote counts!

Advance polls are open today and Saturday - visit <http://wtv.elections.ab.ca/> to find your poll.

Voting time! In order to help get out the vote, please use this photo as your profile pic on Facebook, Twitter, and other Social Media networks. Share with your friends and family, and on your Facebook Page wall, tweet out the link, let's paint social media with PC blue!

Click on the following link to download the image.

<http://www.votepc.ca/public/data/documents/facebookvote.jpg>

Reminder:

Only 3 more days! Keep working hard, listening and talking about our vision!

Fact Worth Knowing:

Alberta refuses to reject subsidized out of country queue jumping by the rich.

aking on CBC Radio at noon, Danielle Smith all but confirmed her plan for subsidizing the rich by paying a maximum of \$20,000 for knee and hip replacements performed abroad.

Link to the announcement:

<http://www.cbc.ca/albertaatnoon/episode/2012/04/20/on-fridays-podcast-1/>

Premier's Schedule:

10 AM

Media Availability following Edmonton Energize! Breakfast
Edmonton EXPO Centre, Alberta Room, 7515 118 Ave NW, Edmonton

10 PM

Photo Op: Calgary-Hays Whistle Stop
Hays, 20 McKenzie Towne Ave SE, Calgary

10 PM

Media Availability & Photo Op: Calgary-Shaw Whistle Stop
Book Adatia Campaign Office, 15100 Macleod Trail South, Calgary

5 PM

to Op: Calgary-Lougheed Whistle Stop
5 Woodview Drive SW, Calgary

0 PM

to Op: Calgary Round-Up!
Heritage Park Gasoline Alley Museum, 1900 Heritage Dr SW, Calgary

News From Today:

Alberta, Saskatchewan, Alberta To Lead Canadian Growth In 2012: Royal Bank

Jim Bentein, *Daily Oil Bulletin*

Canadian oil and gas producers must gain access to Asia and other markets outside of North America or continue to suffer from the disparity between Asian natural gas prices and those in the U.S. and Canada and from the spread of \$10 or more between West Texas Intermediate (WTI) prices and Brent crude prices, says a Royal Bank economist.

Big Wright, senior vice-president and chief economist with Canada's largest financial institution, told a Calgary audience Thursday that Canadian producers will continue to be the victims of the "arbitrage" between natural gas prices of as high as \$14 per mcf in Asia and as little as \$2 on this continent, as well as much lower WTI reference prices unless other markets become accessible.

"We're leaving a lot of money left on the table," he said. "We need more infrastructure, including pipelines heading east and south."

Wright praised the federal government's recent move, announced in its early March budget, to streamline the regulatory process so that major projects can be reviewed in less than two years instead of going through reviews that can sometimes last years.

In his address, entitled "Déjà vu all over again," he presented a forecast for 2012 which he said was similar to that of last year, with

the risks facing Alberta's and Canada's economy.

These include the serious debt-related problems European Economic Community (EEC) countries like Greece are facing, the danger of slower growth in China than is forecast and continued slow growth in the U.S. economy.

However, Wright said the bank's economists believe the actions of central banks in the developed world to keep money flowing through their economies by keeping interest rates low and propping up the financial system will lead to a continued slow recovery.

Wright said the bank believes economic growth worldwide will be at about 3.5 per cent this year and four per cent in 2013.

Chinese growth should be at about seven per cent and possibly higher.

In this environment he said commodity prices should increase by 3.5 per cent overall, with North American based oil prices likely rising around \$100 a bbl this year and next.

"Natural gas is still the orphan," he said, adding prices will probably "firm" at above \$2 per mcf.

The U.S. remains a trouble spot, but it will not slip back into recession. "In the U.S. we see the slowest recovery since the Great Depression, with 2.5 per cent economic growth," he said.

The country's Achilles heel, its weak housing market, will see a gradual recovery this year, which will propel consumer spending, responsible for about 70 per cent of U.S. growth, he said. Its job market will also continue to recover.

Recovery will happen because of pent-up demand for housing.

There is a need for about 1.3 to 1.5 million new housing units a year in the U.S., but only about 500,000 a year have been built, leaving

deficit that will need to be filled in the years ahead.

The bank sees Canada's economy growing by 2.6 per cent this year, up from 2.5 per cent last year. However, most of that growth will come from resource-producing provinces like Alberta and Saskatchewan as "the Western tilt continues," he said.

The bank sees the Saskatchewan economy growing by 4.6 per cent this year and Alberta's economy growing by 3.9 per cent.

Because of this strong growth there will be pressure on the exchange rate of the Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. greenback, with the dollar likely rising above par.

Royal expects the Bank of Canada to raise rates slightly while the U.S. Federal Reserve and banks in other developed economies keep rates low until at least 2014. That, along with strong growth, will cause the dollar to rise relative to the greenback.

The bank doesn't expect Canadian exports to be hit too badly, especially since it sees only a gradual shift to higher rates and so only a slightly higher dollar.

Royal pointed out that exports from Canada are up 20 per cent since the 2008 recession even though the dollar has steadily risen since then, a trend the bank expects to continue.

The recovery has led to a strong recovery in jobs in Canada, with 200,000 more Canadians working than before the recession.

Meanwhile, in the U.S., where 8.5 million jobs were lost during the recession, six million of those workers are still unemployed, although that country has been creating about 200,000 new jobs a month recently.

Another area of worry for the bank -- and in this regard it joins Bank of Canada Governor Mark Carney and Finance Minister Jim Flaherty -- is rising household debt in Canada.

debt to income ratio for Canadian households overall at the end of last year was 151 per cent and most analysts see that rising to 160 per cent. Those are levels reached before the U.S. financial crises, which led almost directly to the recession.

He said that about 70 per cent of that debt is tied up in housing.

The Royal doesn't see a housing collapse like that which occurred in the U.S., Spain and other developed economies.

He pointed out that Canadians are starting to pay down high-interest rate debts, such as those racked up with credit cards and through the struggling labour markets, particularly in Western Canada, mean most of the debts of Canadians can continue to be serviced.

In addition, in super-heated housing markets like Toronto, growth in population of about two per cent a year, about 100,000 people moving in, will help sustain prices.

Vancouver, the priciest housing market in Canada, where houses cost well above \$700,000 on average, is starting to see a slow decline in prices, which he said is healthy.

"We're not looking for a crash," he said.

Alberta now has the most affordable housing in Canada, a result of falling prices during the recession, which hit the province hardest anywhere else in the country, with Gross Domestic Product having plunged 4.5 per cent in 2008.

The province's economy has now fully recovered from the recession and faces many years of solid growth, he said.

The bank projects overall investment in the province this year to reach \$100 billion, about \$48 billion of that in the energy industry and you could see some upset surprises because the economy is very strong," he said.

said the unemployment rate in Alberta, now at 5.3 per cent, will fall to 4.5 per cent this year.

act, the challenge will now be for industry to find enough workers. This has already been reflected in income growth in the province, with wages up on average 5.3 per cent, much higher than the 1.4 per cent in Canada as a whole.

ulation growth will help to meet growing labour needs, he said. For instance, 20,000 people moved to Alberta last year from outside of Canada and another 20,000 moved from other provinces to Alberta.

strong employment picture will propel all sectors of the provincial economy, with consumer spending expected to rise about 6 per cent this year, about the same as last year.

the Alberta economy will be firing on all cylinders," he said.

uding to comments made recently by Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty, in which he suggested Alberta's "petro-dollar" economy was harming his province, Wright said the resource boom in the province is "a good news story for Alberta and Canada."

pointed out that the fiscal transfers coming from Alberta to Ontario now, along with the economic activity being created in Ontario in energy-related development, is good for that province, too.

addition, Alberta runs a trade deficit with Ontario," he said.

continued strong growth in the province's economy might be upset if there is a geopolitical event that drives up oil prices too badly, he said.

ry \$10 rise in crude prices in the U.S. translates into a 3/10th per cent decline in economic growth in that country, which sugges

sweet spot might be around where oil prices are now, he said.

not in the ever-higher oil price camp," he said, suggesting prices can remain at around current levels for a sustained period.

Wildrose leader Danielle Smith defends party's character in wake of controversial remarks

Leech aimed to stem criticism after comments about race and homosexuality

With just three days remaining before the April 23 election, Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith gave a spirited defence Friday of her party's character, including the values of embattled Calgary candidate Ron Leech.

Read more: <http://www.calgaryherald.com/news/News/841484/story.html#ixzz1scScFCH8>

Liberals fight push for strategic voting to stave off Wildrose

Calgary Liberals head into Monday's provincial election fighting a push from some progressive quarters to strategically cast a ballot in favour of the Tories to stave off a Wildrose government.

If opinion polls bear out on election day, the Liberals led by Raj Sherman could collect their lowest levels of provincial support since the 1986 election.

Senior Marketing Alberta vice-president Ian Large said a survey earlier this week suggests a major reconfiguration of votes in Calgary.

significant group of Tories move to the Wildrose, and many former Liberals shift to a right of centre party.

and more:

[://www.calgaryherald.com/technology/Liberals+fight+push+strategic+voting+stave+Wildrose/6489596/story.html#ixzz1scZqS](http://www.calgaryherald.com/technology/Liberals+fight+push+strategic+voting+stave+Wildrose/6489596/story.html#ixzz1scZqS)

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- Another day meeting with Albertans, talking about a bright vision for this province!
 - Only 3 more days to election day!
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Remember to also tweet the following link, which contains videos of our Premier: <http://www.youtube.com/user/ElxnPCTV>

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Subject: Morning Note

Hi:

I just wanted to make a correction to the note I circulated this morning. We of course will be in the **Campaign Office**, and not the Constituency Office. The Constituency Office will be needed next Tuesday, but not tonight!

Our Campaign office is located at 352 Centre Street.

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Subject: Fwd: PC News - Building a great province

Hi:

There's an opportunity to hear Alison Redford on Saturday. Additional information is included in the newsletter below.



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Issue 04.20.12

PC policies create a dynamic province

Alberta is more than just fiscal responsibility and balanced budgets. We are a province of individuals, with interest in the arts and need for transportation and infrastructure. We are people with a keen interest in our diverse culture and arts. We are parents, grandparents and young people looking towards the Progressive Conservative party to lead us into a future that is vibrant and full of promise.

This is why the PC party believes in investing in infrastructure, like the ringroad **transportation** corridor in Edmonton and Calgary. This investment in infrastructure is

important for Alberta communities and is funded through the Sustainability Fund – which was created years ago for this type of investment.

Alberta has a thriving **arts and culture** sector and a Progressive Conservative government would continue to support the arts through a \$10 million annual investment, beginning in 2013.

The PC Government has an aggressive plan to balance economic development with **environmental protection** – a plan that has seen over 74 square kilometers of the oilsands being reclaimed and restored to “productive land” status. We will continue to seek innovative solutions to enhance our reputation as a global leader in environmental responsibility.

The After School **Recreation** Strategy, supported through the Alberta Lottery Fund, would provide positive recreational opportunities for kids in the after-school hours. Strategies such as these ensure the health and safety of our children and youth.

A Progressive Conservative government believes in supporting the many things that make Alberta such a great place to live – arts and culture, transportation, environment, health and education.

Get out and vote!

The pollsters have predicted that Monday’s election will have the highest voter turnout in history. The Wildrose are counting on a low PC turnout to turn the tides of victory. There are many ridings – particularly in Edmonton and Calgary – that are a dead heat. Every vote counts!

Advance polls are open today and Saturday - visit <http://wvt.elections.ab.ca/> to find your poll.

Telephone town hall - Saturday

This Monday, you will have one the clearest choices ever in what kind of future you want for Alberta. Premier Alison Redford invites you to join her in a **telephone town hall** meeting this **Saturday at 10am** where she will outline her vision for the future of Alberta and offer you a chance to ask questions to help you make that decision. *You must register to participate.* Please email your telephone number and name to jharrington@shaw.ca by 6 pm Friday to register. Registration is limited. You will receive a phone call connecting you to the town hall just before 10 am on Saturday

morning once you are registered.

Please pass this invitation to your friends and family who are still undecided who to vote for!

Join us in at a rally in Edmonton or Calgary on Saturday!

Energize! Breakfast with Premier Alison Redford and the Capital Region Candidates, campaign teams and supporters to get the last full day of the campaign started with an exciting and energizing breakfast!

Saturday, April 21 from 8:00 – 9:30 am

Alberta Ballroom, Edmonton EXPO Centre at Northlands Park (7515 118 Avenue)

Continental breakfast and parking will be provided!

Join Premier Redford and the Calgary Region Candidates, campaign teams and supporters for an exciting evening to kick-off the final full day of the campaign!

Saturday, April 21 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Gasoline Alley at Heritage Park (1900 Heritage Dr SW)

Light refreshments, cash bar and free parking!

PC Senator candidates

Remember to cast your three votes for Doug Black, Mike Shaikh and Scott Tannas!

Doug Black -- www.dougblack.ca

Mike Shaikh -- www.mikeforsenate.ca

Scott Tannas - www.scotttannas.com

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Find out more

There are many events and activities to take part in for the upcoming election. Would you like to find out how to support your local candidate? Would you like to find out what else is happening in the lead up to the campaign? Make sure you book mark our new website: votepc.ca

get connected!



Watch the latest videos, join the conversation and follow us!

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Subject: Fwd: Evening Bulletin - April 19, 2012

Good Morning:

If you want a more detailed look at the leaders, the following link will take you to the all leaders debate that was held in Edmonton yesterday. It's one more excellent opportunity to hear the leaders, one of which will be our Premier next Tuesday morning.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/albertavotes2012/story/2012/04/18/albertavotes2012-live-chat-leaders-forum.html>

If you are in Drumheller on Friday, please drop in to our Constituency office. Our crew will be there working, and we encourage you to help us to identify voters. This is a critical election, and we've all heard the debates in our area, and there's no doubt in my mind who the best representative is in Drumheller-Stettler.

Lets re-elect Jack Hayden, and let's do what we can in the last few days to do so.

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**Canada continues to be Canada's economic engine with the province's unemployment rate at 5.0 per cent -
Canada, tied with Saskatchewan.**

Manitoba and Alberta businesses continue to enjoy the lowest overall tax burden of all the provinces

**Alberta's finances will be back in the black by 2013-14, with no tax increases, no new taxes and no cuts to
programs and services like health care, education and supports for the vulnerable.**

Itinerary - Friday, April 20

Photo-Op: Kiwanis Place Reception in Edmonton-Centre
10330 120 Street, Edmonton

Photo Op: Edmonton-Meadowlark's West End Seniors Activity Centre
9629 176th Street NW, Edmonton

Media Availability & Photo Op: #YEGDT Lunch Break Mixer
World Trade Centre, #600 - 9990 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton

Photo Op: All Saints Cultural Centre
Corner of 57th Ave & 51st Street, St. Paul*

Media Availability: All Saints Cultural Centre
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Information for Candidates

Conservatives offer more change than Wildrose

Globe and Mail

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/opinions/editorials/albertas-conservatives-offer-more-change-than-wildrose/article>

decades in power, their traditional base fractured by defections on the right, Alberta's governing Progressive Conservatives suddenly find themselves underdogs in Monday's election, trailing the Wildrose Party. There is a mood of change in the air. The question is, which party best represents change: The upstart Wildrose under leader Danielle Smith, with its promise of conservatism? Or, odd as it may sound, the Conservatives under Premier Alison Redford?

It is not surprising. As a change agent, Wildrose is remarkably change-averse. It shows no leadership with regard to Alberta's critical oil-sands industry. Its main policy document barely mentions them (it mentions them only to complain about public funding for two "anti-oil-sands documentaries"). Ms. Redford, by contrast, has promised a Canadian Energy Strategy would facilitate the shipment of oil-sands oil to Asia, the U.S. and Central Canada, and help fund oil-sands extraction technology.

But the Conservatives are also more constructive and imaginative. They promise 140 family care clinics, where nurses can provide services, an innovation that will relieve the pressure on emergency wards. They also talk about emergency rooms, where obvious ailments will be diverted for quick treatment. In response, Wildrose promises to do the same, failing which the procedures will be done out of province or in private facilities - sort of a hangman's approach.

But the Conservatives' policies do not account for the surge in Wildrose support. This is a party that failed to elect a single MLA in the 2008 election, yet, polls suggest it will form the next government. So what, then, is behind its rise?

It may relate to its adoption of "Alberta first" or "firewall" rhetoric. Despite Alberta's enormous, and growing, economic growth, Canada, and its considerable political influence nationally - with a Conservative government led by a Calgary politician - still found fertile ground with the insular little Alberta narrative.

Alberta's growth began, not coincidentally, when the province was hit hard by falling energy prices in 2008-9. Government spending jumped, public sector pay greatly outpacing the rest of the country. Then, the Alberta government saw a period of surplus evaporate, and instead posted a \$1.4-billion deficit. The government responded to the recession by increasing spending in consensus in favour of stimulative spending.

But the Conservative record on fiscal policy, then, is the central issue in the current campaign.

Wildrose has been campaigning with a "debt clock" and has launched fierce rhetorical attacks over Conservative "mismanagement". Ms. Smith, is an effective communicator and a fresh face, but there's little fresh in Wildrose's response on fiscal policy. The ideas come from the halcyon era of King Ralph.

Progressive Conservative premier Ralph Klein was a leader among Canada's first ministers in deficit reduction. He introduced balanced budget legislation in 1995. By 2004, he was able to announce that Alberta was "debt-free". In 2005, on energy royalties, his government awarded Albertans a \$400 "prosperity bonus" (popularly known as "Ralph's Bonus").

Wildrose promises to restore the balanced budget legislation, and - yes - to pay Albertans energy dividends." The party projects these payments as totalling \$12,000 for an Alberta family of four over the next eight years. Redford, she has been the Premier for only six months, but is answerable for one budget, which saw near record increases; health-care spending went up by 7 per cent. More restraint should have been shown.

Such increases, defended as necessary in a province that leads the country in population growth, the Conservative government says, will be offset by savings. Alberta's deficit will be eliminated in 2013-14, with a \$5.2-billion surplus in 2014-15. This will be achieved through savings, or even any user fee increases. Instead, Alberta will accomplish it from an expanding tax base through growing resource royalties expected to nearly double from 2011-15.

Wildrose has signalled their intent to save more, not just by replenishing the rainy day Sustainability Fund to restore Alberta's debt-free status, but possibly also to build up the Heritage Fund. As a TD analysis of the budget points out, the choice between saving for tomorrow or spending today is a challenge that other provinces in Canada could do better at.

The message of change, then, is concerned less with what Alberta can be, than with what Alberta was. It is a political and fiscal dilemma that has all the trappings of a failure of confidence. Canada needs Alberta to step up, not step back. The PCs have ruled for a very long time, but they have a new leader and are the party that speaks for the best kind of Alberta on the national stage.

Wildrose Agriculture: Just Making it Up as they Go Along?

April 19, 2012 (Letter to the Editor)

As a 10 year Alberta farming family, I was pretty shocked to hear Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith yesterday blame the government for "a series of policies that have increased input costs, depressed crop prices and limited access to important export markets" in yesterday's article in the Calgary Herald. It seems the Wildrose Party are a bit confused about the current situation in agriculture.

Crop prices are currently at all time highs....according to the Alberta Canola Producer's Commission, canola prices are at over \$12.00 per bushel, and barley at over \$4.50 per bushel, prices which are close to record highs. And as past Chair of the Alberta Beef Producers, I worked closely with the Alberta government to get international borders re-opened for beef markets as a result of the BSE crisis which hit the industry in 2003; we now have regained access for our beef around the world and prices are also at record highs.

I have represented the broader Canadian agrifood industry as President of the Canadian Agrifood Trade Alliance, the PC government's

the strongest contributors in Canada to efforts to liberalize agricultural trade. We have always been present in Geneva at the WTO or in various bi-lateral agreements advocating for the best outcome for our producers. Alberta's current government in Canada to advocate for improved marketing choice for farmers by eliminating single despatch for malt barley through the Canadian Wheat Board. And removal and closure of our Alberta trade offices in Asia, which the Wildrose leader proposes, will do nothing to help our farmers better access those markets.

In the face of increased input costs, the surprising suggestions by the Wildrose party keep coming. The 400+ producers at the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills forum at Olds College on April 11 were surprised when my rival, Wildrose candidate, suggested providing subsidies to fertilizer companies to help deal with the high price of nitrogen fertilizer....talk about not as you go along!

The Wildrose party also incessantly beat the drum about rural property rights being threatened by Bills 19, 24, 36 and 50, but the new legislation enabled over the last 12 months in Bills 6, 10, and 23. These bills are proof that Premier Redford and Alberta PCs have listened to the concerns of rural landowners, and have acted to ensure their property rights through strengthening consultation, compensation, and (when necessary) access to the courts.

Concerned about the Wildrose plans to eliminate the Alberta Meat and Livestock Agency, which invests in international market development activities for our industry, I'm even more concerned about their plans for farm insurance. The Agricultural Financial Services Corp., a provincial Crown Corporation, I was pleased to see Budget 2011 provide the most comprehensive set of agriculture risk management tools of any province in Canada. In the last 10 years, I've been responsible for distributing emergency funds to producers who found themselves struck by extreme weather. We've implemented new programs such as the Cattle Price Insurance Program. Our farm risk management programs are the envy of other provinces. We see the Brad Wall government in Saskatchewan building their own version of AFSC. Across the board, the Wildrose Party and Danielle Smith's alternative budget would threaten reliable access to hail insurance and numerous other programs that our farmers use and need to compete in the global marketplace.

Our farmers are a lot of things....hard working, entrepreneurial, resilient and determined. One thing that they are not, is gullible. A penchant for "making it up as we go" does not sit well with farmers. That is why I am proud to be part of the Alberta Farm Income Stabilization Program with Premier Alison Redford, and look forward to working with her to continue to support rural Alberta's agricultural community and young people.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills

ate:

Wildrose leader takes heat over climate change views: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith came under fire Thursday afternoon for her insistence that the science behind climate change hasn't yet been settled. "We've been watching

community and there is still a debate in the scientific community," Smith said, prompting jeers from the audience at the forum at CBC Edmonton. To which Premier Redford responded: "When I go to Washington and I talked to them about the pipeline and I'm trying to talk to them about why we need Keystone [pipeline], they don't want to hear that I don't want to change," (CBC Edmonton)

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/story/2012/04/19/albertavotes2012-cbc-leaders-forum.html>

Nenshi critical of Danielle Smith's response to Wildrose candidates' comments: Mayor Naheed Nenshi was criticized for criticizing Danielle Smith's refusal to condemn firebrand comments by Wildrose candidates, saying she'd let a party member speak so harshly about the oilsands. Nenshi told a Calgary radio station Thursday morning that she was disappointed by Smith's light touch with Edmonton-South West candidate Allan Hunsperger, who chastised Edmonton for having an anti-bullying policy that included homophobia. (Jason Markusoff, Calgary Herald)

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/news/calgary/Nenshi+critical+Smith+response+Wildrose+candidates+comments/64872>

Message for Candidates:

THE VOTE!

As I have previously reported that in this tight race, Get-Out-the-Vote campaigns can make the difference!

In the few days, it is critical that all campaigns focus on ensuring their supporters make it to the polls.

Make it a priority!

Update:

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Good Morning

I attended the Stettler debate last evening, and there was a huge crowd in attendance. It was great to see so many young people out and asking questions. The future looks bright, and hopefully we can keep it that way!

We are still working on (and need help) identifying P.C. supporters so our scrutineers can confirm the vote on Monday. If you can, please take a few minutes, and request a voters list for a poll in your area. Just send an email to [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] requesting the list for your area. We need and want to identify the vote, and our election day strategy to ensure we get out the vote is absolutely critical. This race looks closer than I'm comfortable with, and we definitely need to work on the list.

Another alternative is to drop in to our Drumheller campaign office at 352 Centre Street in Drumheller on Friday evening. We will be there, and we can certainly help you review the lists there too. So if you are in town, or just want to go for an evening ride, please drop in. I'll be there from 6:00 p.m. on, and look forward to seeing you.

Remember.....help us to identify P.C. supporters, it's critical!

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Evening of April 18, 2012

Message From Susan Elliott:

RESIST!

Thanks to everyone for working so hard during this campaign.

During the home stretch of this campaign there will be a lot of third party messaging, including videos and social media postings. It is CRITICAL that we stay on message and talk to Albertans about our vision for Alberta. We should not react to, comment on, or forward messages from anonymous or unknown authors. Please resist the temptation to share something, even if it seems funny or cute or interesting. We need to stick to our own message strategy and promote what our Leader is saying and doing.

Reminder

Keep working hard, listening and talking about our vision!

Fact Worth Knowing:

The new PC government will increase the number of long-term care spaces by 1,000 per year over the next five years.

Note of the Day:

Through my leadership, Alberta will position itself on the world stage as a leader on many fronts - in sustainable resource development, in environmental stewardship, in innovative governance and in supports for our students, our seniors, our vulnerable citizens. Together - residents new and Alberta-born alike - we will reach our potential. Together, we will make Alberta better, and stronger, than ever before." - Premier Alison Redford at the Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers

Premier's Schedule:

Edmonton, AB - Alberta Alison Redford will be attending the following public events Thursday, April 19, 2012.

12:00 PM - Photo-Op & Media Availability: CBC Radio Candidate Debate
CBC Centre Stage, Edmonton City Centre East
Corner of 100 Street and 102 Avenue

1:00 PM - Photo-Op: Visit to Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview's Emmanuel Home Seniors Centre
13425 - 57 Street, Edmonton

2:00 PM - Photo-Op: Visit to Edmonton-Manning's Peter Sandhu's Campaign HQ
#220 Manning Crossing Shopping Centre, Edmonton

00 PM - Photo-Op: Nina Haggerty Centre for the Arts Event
9225 - 118 Avenue, Edmonton

ews From Today:

Wildrose candidate comments hurt Alberta's image, Mandel says: Mayor Stephen Mandel called on Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith Wednesday to "clearly refute" comments her party's candidates made about race and homosexuality.

"I don't think it's not representative of Alberta or Albertans," Mandel said. "We're a very multicultural, dynamic and creative community. I don't think there's any place in our province for homophobia or diminishing the value of any group."

"It's a bit disappointing, what's coming out. Hopefully, responses will be made to them." (Gordon Kent, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6479922/story.html>

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Redford repeats commitment to support farm-industry organization: With polls showing Tory support declining significantly in their traditional bastion of rural Alberta, both leaders of the front-running Wildrose and Progressive Conservative parties tightened their pitches to farmers and rural communities Wednesday.

Wildrose Leader Alison Redford stopped at a potato farm outside Lacombe to throw her support behind a \$40 million agriculture agency that she claims could be chopped under a Wildrose government. (Darcy Henton, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6480316/story.html>

Wildrose candidate's ethnic remark troubles Calgary mayor: If Ron Leech wins Calgary-Greenway for Wildrose, one constituent will be a very unhappy Muslim mayor.

Mayor Don Braid, who is Muslim, said he is "concerned" about the candidate's comment about a white guy being best able to get along with local ethnics in happy harmony.

"I don't normally comment on non-city issues - but this is a city issue," the mayor tells me in an e-mail. (Don Braid, Calgary Herald)

Read more:

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Braid+Wildrose+candidate+ethnic+remark+troubles+Calgary+mayor/6476880/story.html>

Civil service nervous with political change in the air: No matter which party wins Monday's election, there's bound to be change in the ranks of the civil service - deputy ministers shuffled, bureaucrats transferred, positions eliminated, new people hired.

o surprise, then, that there's tension in the air in the office towers around the legislature and across the city, where public servants nervously go about their jobs while voters figure out who their bosses will be.

While some people are dusting off resumes, others are closely following campaign talk about wage freezes, cuts to civil services and unnecessary layers of management in Alberta Health Services - all wondering what it will mean for them. (Sheila Pratt, Edmonton Journal)

Read more:

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Alberta+Election+2012+Civil+service+nervous+with+political+change/6481009/story.html>

Alberta NDP promises free basic dental care for children: All Alberta children would receive basic dental care for free under an NDP government, leader Brian Mason said Wednesday.

The Child Dental Care Plan that would cost about \$50 million a year would cover dental visits for children the same way doctor and hospital visits are covered now, Mason said.

There are thousands of kids in Alberta that don't have access to dental checkups and proper dental care, and that's really sad and very unfortunate," Mason said. (Andrea Sands, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/health/Alberta+promises+free+basic+dental+care+children/6480796/story.html>

New Democrats propose one-third cut in small-business tax rate: Alberta NDP Leader Brian Mason says his is the only party promising tax cuts to bolster small businesses.

An NDP government would reduce the small-business tax rate by a third, from three per cent to two per cent, to save Alberta businesses about \$165 million per year, Mason announced Wednesday.

The stereotype that an NDP government means higher taxes and an anti-business climate "is wrong," Mason said. (Andrea Sands, Edmonton Journal)

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Democrats+propose+third+small+business+rate/6479689/story.html>

Information for Candidates:

No New Taxes:

Brian Redford's Plan: No New Taxes. No Service Cuts.

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link: <http://www.votepc.ca/public/data/documents/NoNewTaxesRuralWeekliesMar19pdf.pdf>

Wildrose Tax Delusions:

What the Wildrose said:

Before Budget 2012:

Wildrose openly claimed that the Progressive Conservative government would introduce tax increases in Budget 2012.

Fact: There were no new taxes, tax increases or service cuts in Budget 2012.

After Budget 2012:

Wildrose claimed after the election the Progressive Conservative government would raise taxes.

Fact: The PC government passed a budget for the next three years that contains no new taxes, tax increases or service cuts.

During Election 2012:

Wildrose is claiming the PC party will introduce a new sales tax to pay for the PC election policies.

Fact: The PC party has fully costed election promises without the introduction of a sales tax.

To see the PC costing platform visit: <http://www.votepc.ca/admin/contentx/default.cfm?h=10106&PageId=10334>

Social Media Update:

Twitter accounts to follow:

Premier_Redford

PC_Alberta

PCAB_Comms

Hashtags to use:

abvote

bleg

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Example Tweet:

- **Another day meeting with Albertans, talking about a bright vision for this province!**
- **Only six more days to election day!**
- **Remember to also tweet the following link, which contains videos of our Premier:**
<http://www.youtube.com/user/ElxnPCTV>

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Subject: Fwd: Evening Bulletin - April 17, 2012

Good Morning:

Lots of things to discuss this morning:

1. [REDACTED] has been working hard to identify PC supporters so we can provide our scrutineers with a list to check. We are hoping to be able to general digital lists that we will be asking you to review, and help us identify people you know. I did the lists last night for Morrin, Munson and Rumsey, and while it takes a few minutes, I was able to add more than 100 names to our list. We have 18,000 potential voters in Drumheller-Stettler. If you assume a larger turnout this year, say 60%, we would need 9001 votes to win. We need to do our best to identify these people, and get them out to vote. If you can, please plan to head to our constituency office in Drumheller on Friday night, and help us with the list for your area. Believe me, this is critical!!!
2. We might need some transportation help in the urban centres. So if you can help with transportation as requested, please send me a confirming email.
3. We are still waiting for confirmation on the signing policy for properties around voting stations. I will let you know as soon as we find out "officially." From reading the legislation, it appears to me that we just can't post signs on the property where the voting station is, but we'll confirm this and let you know. We have some extra small signs, and will want to get them to voting station areas if possible this weekend. If you can help or need signs, please let me know.

Remember that this afternoon, the debate will be held at the Hanna Community Centre. Doors open at 11:15 a.m. The address in Hanna is 503 - 4th Street West.

Tonight, the debate stage will move to Stettler. The doors open there at 6:30 p.m. and it's at the Grandfield Studio Room of the Stettler Library. The public library there is right beside the Stettler Recreation Centre.

We had a great turnout in Drumheller, and seating was at a premium, so get there early!

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Evening

Premier Lougheed

with the media today with Premier Redford.

to extend my wholehearted support of Premier Redford. This is a time when Alberta needs to reestablish a position of leadership

as always been our ability to lead the national agenda while protecting provincial rights. Premier Redford is on the right track with
we will achieve much more by working with our fellow provinces.

a leader who stands for Alberta and Alberta's natural place in Canada. I am proud to have her leading Alberta's Progressive Con

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Street NW, Edmonton

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, 10113 104th Street, Edmonton

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Wildrose candidate attributes his electoral edge to being Caucasian: A day after an Edmonton-based Wildrose candidate came out with his views, a Calgary-based candidate with the party found himself in the headlines for on-air comments suggesting his chances over his white rivals.

"As a Caucasian I have an advantage," Ron Leech told a radio station on the weekend. "When different community leaders such as a Sikh leader or a Muslim leader really speak to their own people in many ways. As a Caucasian, I believe that I can speak to all the community." (Keith Gerein, Calgary Herald)

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/life/Wildrose%20candidate%20Ron%20Leech%20says%20being%20Caucasian%20is%20an%20electoral%20edge>

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Wildrose campaign after racially-charged comments: Dodging new controversy after the comments of a Calgary candidate, Danielle Smith today demanded the rival Progressive Conservatives pay back donations from public agencies.

In Calgary, Smith was questioned about comments reportedly made by Calgary-Greenway candidate Ron Leech, who suggested that as a Caucasian he has an advantage as a white politician.

"As a Caucasian, I have an advantage. When different community leaders such as a Sikh leader or a Muslim leader speak, they really speak to their own people. As a Caucasian, I believe that I can speak to all the community." This is reported to have said by CTV. (Kathy Mueller, Edmonton Sun)

www.edmontonsun.com/2012/04/17/more-controversy-for-wildrose-campaign-after-racially-charged-comments

Redford condemns Wildrose party for having 'small Alberta' vision: Tory Leader Alison Redford is accusing the Wildrose Party of having a vision that would cut the province off from the rest of Canada.

In comments she made in a speech the night before, Redford told the Herald editorial board Tuesday the Wildrose promise to explore options to replace the RCMP and a provincial Alberta Pension Plan to replace the Canada Pension Plan "don't make financial sense."

Redford's criticism of the plan to bring back initiatives once proposed as part of the "firewall" letter of 2001 speaks to the Wildrose's philosophy - and its differences from the Conservatives. (James Woods, Calgary Herald)

www.calgaryherald.com/news/Alison+Redford+condemns+Wildrose+party+having+small+Alberta+vision/6473474/story.html

Wildrose wants to help Alberta's immigrants: A Liberal government would advocate for immigrants new to Alberta, and invest in programs to help them settle.

Sherman said Tuesday.

stop at the Mennonite Centre for Newcomers, at 117th Avenue and 82nd Street in Edmonton, Sherman highlighted platform platform. The Liberal party has promised a 50-per-cent boost to ESL school funding, \$170 million for settlement programs over five years, and clarification of foreign credentials. (Nicki Thomas, Edmonton Journal)

www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Alberta+Election+2012+Liberals+pledge+help+Alberta+immigrants/6474815/story.html

Candidates:

Stephen Khan: No New Taxes. No Service Cuts.

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Progressive Conservative Plan.

stepc.ca/public/data/documents/NoNewTaxesRuralWeekliesMar19pdf.pdf

Stephen Khan, PC candidate for St. Albert:

has brought into clear focus two very different views about the future of this

province - two very different sets of priorities.

One view in this election that present a view, which, I think, is smaller than our province's great promise. It seeks retreat. It advocates cutting infrastructure.

Another view is our understanding of fundamental rights. It is a narrow, pessimistic, and at times a mean-spirited view of the world to which I call for a step out of step with our plans for ourselves and our children.

The other view, the Progressive Conservative view, is different. It is more balanced, more considered, and carries the capacity and vision to move forward.

Stephen Khan at the St. Alberta Chamber of Commerce

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Subject: Fwd: Evening Bulletin - April 16, 2012

Good Morning:

There was a great crowd in Drumheller last evening for the debate.

One of the Senate candidates Scott Tannas will be in Morrin today at 4:30 p.m. at the Western Financial Group office.

The PC platform costing summary is on the website at www.votepc.ca under the heading "policy"

Re-elect Jack Hayden



Evening of April 16, 2012

Quote of the Day:
On Alberta's role in the world:

"Making Alberta into a truly global economic leader is a big part of what I want to do. Alberta has the resources the world needs ever more of. Alberta has the outstanding, talented and skilled workforce necessary to expand production. Alberta has the opportunity and responsibility. Alberta has the potential to be stronger still." - Premier Redford

A Fact Worth Knowing:

The efficiencies realized through the work of Alberta Health Services have already resulted in savings of over \$660 million per year.

News Release:

No news release is scheduled for tomorrow.

Premier's Schedule:

8:30 AM - Photo Op: Calgary-Buffalo Visit with candidate Jamie Lall
Beano Coffee Shop, 1613 9th Street SW, Calgary

11:00 AM - Photo Op: Calgary-Mountain View Visit with candidate Cecilia Low
103, 227 10th Street NW, Calgary

1:00 PM - Photo Op: Calgary-Northwest Visit with candidate Sandra Jansen
New Dynasty Restaurant, 150 Crowfoot Crescent NW, Calgary

4:00 PM - Media Availability & Photo Op: Premier Redford & Former Premier Lougheed
710 Prospect Ave SW, Calgary

5:00 PM - Photo Op: Volunteer Calgary Leadership Awards
Palomino Room, BMO Centre, 1410 Olympic Way SE, Calgary

News From Today:

Alberta Election 2012: Alison Redford denies there's a rift between Tories, Klein: Tory Leader Alison Redford says there's no rift within the Progressive Conservative Party and she has no beef with former premier Ralph Klein.

She was responding Monday to criticism from some Klein family and friends - including former chief of staff Rod Love - that she had been disrespectful to the legacy of the former premier, who is now in a nursing home with rapidly progressing frontal lobe dementia.

Read more:

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/calgary/Alison+Redford+denies+there+rif+between+Tories+Klein/6468083/story.htm>

Wildrose's Smith not convinced climate change is real: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith said Monday that she isn't convinced climate change is real.

In response to a question from a reader, Smith told a Edmonton Journal-Calgary Herald online debate she has not been convinced science has solidly backed the theory that human activities are contributing to global climate change.

"We've always said the science isn't settled and we need to continue to monitor the debate," Smith wrote. "In the meantime we need to support consumers in making the transition to cleaner fuels."

Read more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/health/Smith+convinced+climate+change+real/6467880/story.html>

Sherman struggles, but stills plans to take 'revenue from those most able to afford it': The Alberta Liberals acknowledge now they won't form the next provincial government, but that didn't stop leader Raj Sherman from announcing his party's fiscal plan to place slightly higher taxes on wealthy Albertans and big companies.

With polls showing his party at 11-13 per cent support across the province, Sherman is positioning the Liberals as the "moral compass" of the legislature. Speaking in Calgary, he predicted a minority government led by either the PCs or the Wildrose following the election one week from today. With that in mind, Sherman called for the province's "progressives" to cast a vote in his party's favour to help boost the ranks of Liberal MLAs.

Read more: <http://blogs.calgaryherald.com/2012/04/16/sherman-struggles-but-stills-plans-to-take-revenue-from-those-most-able-to-afford-it/>

Stelmach to return 'no-meet' committee money: Former premier Ed Stelmach plans to return money he made on the "no-meet" committee, even though he has retired from his legislature career.

Stelmach sat on the infamous "no-meet" committee that saw 21 MLAs of all political stripes each making \$1,000 a month, even during the committee's 39-month hiatus.

After his resignation as premier, Stelmach sat on the committee as a backbencher. Even though he's exited from legislature life, he said he plans to return the money he made during his brief stint as backbencher.

Read more: <http://www.edmontonsun.com/2012/04/16/stelmach-to-return-no-meet-committee-money>

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Transition Allowances:

"All Progressive Conservative MLAs will be expected to pay back every penny of money received from the committee that has not met since 2008," Redford said at a campaign stop in Edmonton on day four of the election campaign. " Any MLAs who do not, will not have a place in our Progressive Conservative caucus." - Premier Redford

Responses:

- *MLA compensation has been broken for a long time.*
- *This is why back in November Premier Redford took action and appointed Justice John Major to review the system.*
- *Premier Redford first made a commitment to change MLA pay during the leadership race*
- *Albertans were right and we have listened.*
- *Leadership is about making decisions, sometimes difficult decisions and sometimes admitting you were wrong.*
- *Our government and party should have been more decisive than we were.*
- *That is why Premier Redford has told PC MLAs who sat on the no pay committee/Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, to pay back every penny of money received from sitting on the committee.*
- *We are also ending the golden handshake for long serving MLAs*
- *The transition allowances are out of step with the private sector.*
 - *We can't change the past, we can only lead into the future.*

Facts:

- *Transition allowances were brought in to replace MLA pensions under Premier Klein.*
- *Committee pay was restructured to include the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing under Premier Stelmach.*
- *Justice John Major was appointed on November 30th to review MLA pay.*

Q & A:

- *Q: Will the transition allowance changes be retroactive?*
- *A: No, current accumulated transition allowances will be left as is. Going forward, additional transition allowances*

will not accrue.

- *Q: Why is it not retroactive?*
- *A: Just like Ralph Klein on pensions, we cannot retroactively change compensation.*

Danielle Smith's Fiscal Myths:

Claim: Danielle Smith claims the PC Platform has a 'true cost' of \$7 billion.

Fact:

- *The PC Platform proposes \$4.11 billion in additional investments over the next 5 years;*
- *Of that, \$3.05 billion will be investments in schools and universities from future surpluses;*
- *Over the next 5 years we will also identify \$2.17 billion of savings through results based budgeting, our plan for changing how budgeting is done in the government; and*
- *We invite the Wildrose to look at our costing here.*

Claim: Danielle Smith wants to cut Budget 2012 by \$3.120 billion (\$1.623 billion in infrastructure and \$1.497 billion in operational funds) while claiming that a government led by her would be able to:

"Hire 1425 more teachers, 1000 more nurses, 1000 more home care workers, 300 more police officers, and do more surgeries."

Fact: This is a complete fantasy, with no basis in reality.

Social Media Update:

Twitter accounts to follow:

@Premier_Redford
@PC_Alberta
@PCAB_Comms

Hashtags to use:

#abvote
#ableg
#pcaa

- *Remember to also tweet the following link, which contains videos of our Premier:*
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Subject: Fwd: PC News April 15

I wanted to send you this PC News item as well. It contains some details about the cost of the Wildrose pledge to create the Alberta Pension plan.

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promise is a promise

During the course of the election campaign, Albertans have been bombarded with promises and incentives to sway the hearts and minds of voters. At the least, this tactic can be confusing, but more often is just plain expensive for the taxpayers.

The Progressive Conservative party believes that the government needs to be accountable for using your tax dollars wisely. This is why Premier Redford didn't call an election until the budget was passed – to be transparent and open about the intentions of the government so voters could make a truly informed decision.

Election promises have been fully costed and are available on our website. Not all parties have done this. It is important to keep in mind that the 2012 budget as passed remains intact. All campaign pledges are for future years, and do not threaten our ability to start

ing a surplus next year. Also, some promises are dependent upon surpluses in future years, so that we do not risk running a deficit

and the numbers, a Progressive Conservative promise is a reflection of what you, the people of Alberta, are saying is important. The party that listens and learns to create a vibrant province for everyone.

Premier Redford has shown she is a woman of her word. When there is a critical need, such as funding for teachers or additional support for persons with disabilities, she responds thoughtfully and swiftly. Following is a letter written to the Calgary Herald by an AISH recipient.

Thank you, premier, for keeping your promise

John Chega, Calgary Herald April 15, 2012

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/business/Thank+premier+keeping+your+promise/6461701/story.html#ixzz1s7uCRSXW>

Premier Redford, in her address to the legislature when she first became premier, promised that payments to clients of Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped would be raised by \$400 a month.

In April, each AISH recipient received \$1,188 per month in total - \$617 came from the government of Alberta and \$571 from the Canada Pension Plan. The premier kept her promise, and this April, the government of Alberta payments were increased by \$400.

Now the provincial government pays \$1,017 and the Canada Pension Plan pays \$571, for a total of \$1,588.

Finally, I received my first increased disability pension cheque and I want you to know what it will mean to me and all other AISH recipients.

Now I will be able to afford vitamins. The \$1,188 a month paid my rent and bought basic food stuffs like Kraft Dinner and potatoes, so I can alternate my other needs, like clothes, transportation and hygiene products. Running out of toilet paper is nearly as traumatic as running out of food.

With this additional \$400, I will be able to buy the things I need and begin to look at life from a different perspective. There will be money to buy groceries for a whole month. I will not have to go bottle picking or visit a food bank, maybe.

This additional \$400 will allow many AISH recipients the financial freedom to visit the science centre or join a craft club; there will be money to participate in life that were previously denied and unaffordable. Personally, I'll have the freedom to expand my social connections and physical activities and maybe go bowling or buy some hiking boots.

Now I will have money to spend on buying a birthday card or a Christmas present, and phoning home on special occasions won't be so expensive. There will be the financial freedom to buy a Tim Hortons coffee or eat out on occasion. This money will be a blessing to me. Thank you, Alison Redford, for keeping your promise. This is so much better than Ralph's \$400 giveaway. Don't get me wrong: He should have done it again before he left office; some thought he might, but it didn't happen. This \$400 is much more meaningful, necessary and life changing.

I wanted to write this letter because as I see it, I am one of the 46,000 Albertans who are unable to work for medical reasons and live on so-called entitlements. This \$400 means a lot more than just a new pair of sneakers or a jacket from the GAP. Myself, and thousands like me, will now have the financial means to participate in a more meaningful and satisfactory way in community events

l programs. That will increase the quality of our lives.

ow how important this raise is, let me explain our financial situation.

n you consider that the average rent of a one-bedroom apartment in Calgary is \$700 a month, and the segment of Albertan society unable to work for medical reasons only received \$1,188 a month, that works out to having \$16.25 a day to live on after you pay rent. Think you could live on less than 20 bucks a day? Without food banks, the provincial government would have a lot of starve on their hands, but as it is, this \$400 increase is a godsend.

e handicapped citizens who are living under the regulations of an affordable housing program, their increase will only be \$280 a month for their increased income, but still, that's \$10 a day they didn't have before. No one on the rolls of the AISH client base will complain or is complaining about the amount of the increase. The shame is that it took so many years to lift it to a livable allowance. Now, it will be touch and go for many, but day-to-day living will be less stressful and more productive.

y have a bit of pocket change in my jeans and can still buy enough toilet paper to last until my next entitlement payment. Thank you fellow Albertans, for helping me survive, and thank you, Alison Redford, for keeping your promise.

Chega is a Calgary writer and formerly homeless man who lived for decades in Calgary shelters. He is an AISH recipient.

island unto themselves

Wildrose party remains committed to the idea of a "firewall" for Alberta, including mechanisms to collect income tax, remove the CPP and replace the Canada Pension Plan with an Alberta Pension Plan. The party's policy book, which the Leader says is binding, makes a hard commitment to the five elements of the well-known 2001 Firewall Letter.

When questioned about the firewall pension plan by the Calgary Herald, Danielle Smith responded by saying, "we are interested in seeing that Alberta explore its full range of options under provincial jurisdiction. Our members are open to the idea of an Alberta Pension Plan. We are going to pursue that - the feasibility of that - to see if it makes sense."

However, in the Wildrose party's "green book", Wildrose policy 54, adopted by party members in 2010, clearly states: "A Wildrose government will withdraw from the Canada Pension Plan and create an Alberta Pension Plan."

Creation of an Alberta Pension Plan would commit Albertans to \$104 billion in long-term debt.

As required by the CPP Act, an Alberta Pension Plan would have to assume liabilities for benefits for all who have ever contributed in the context of Alberta employment. Based on year end 2009 estimates of the overall financial assets of the CPP (by the Office of the Chief Actuary), combined with 2011 Statistics Canada data showing Alberta now comprises 14% of Canada's total population (excluding the territories), **Alberta would have to assume liabilities of about \$122 billion.**

Alberta's share of the assets of the CPP Investment Fund would be approximately \$18 billion. **Bottom Line: Alberta assumes an added pension liability that, at the end of 2009, would be approximately net \$104 billion.**

Milke, a senior fellow with the Fraser Institute, says the Wildrose has it wrong on an Alberta Pension Plan. "I don't think it's a . . . It plays well with the firewall folks, but it's bad policy," he said.

CPP, he says, is doing relatively well. With administrative costs, an Alberta plan has the danger "of creating a slightly bigger government, which I assume is not the aim of most firewall folks," Milke added.

She has stated that the majority Conservative government in Ottawa could work to their advantage in promoting a firewall. "We find a majority government with a prime minister from this province who understands our needs and understands provincial rights a . . . ng to work with us to make some of those changes to rebalance some of these issues in our federation," she said in an interview with the Herald this week.

Every concept of a firewall is outdated and exclusionary. In today's global economy, particularly for Alberta's oil and gas economy, innovation is the key to success. A protectionist agenda alienates our provincial partners and the federal government, compromising opportunities to diversify and expand Alberta's economy.

With unemployment at a static low, Alberta needs workers from other provinces to support our industries. A firewall would inhibit the number of people willing and able to come to Alberta.

Dr. Foster, a policy studies professor at Mount Royal University, said that while there are some inequities within equalization, the distribution of funds basically reflects Alberta's wealth.

Creating such a "bogeyman," Smith is tapping into a deep vein within Alberta politics that casts the province as both assertive and arrogant, he said. "Firewall Alberta is derided across the rest of the country," Foster added.

It's good would that play out for Stephen Harper to be saddling up to the richest province and saying, "Yeah, you know you're right about the rest of them?"

These are the kind of impractical proposals that Albertans are seeing increasingly from a leader and party that has no experience governing.

more:

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Compare and contrast - Health care inquiry

The Health Quality Council of Alberta conducted an inquiry into the allegations of intimidation in the health care system. The Council reported back to the government with outcomes and recommendations, which were put into immediate action by Premier Redford and the Progressive Conservative government.

Wildrose party has said they will conduct another inquiry into this same issue to discover what we already know: doctor intimidation has occurred and it's unacceptable. To spend an additional \$20 million in the midst of nearly \$2 billion worth of cuts the Wildrose Alliance is planning for this fiscal year is a waste of resources.

Horne, Minister of Health and Wellness:

have openly acknowledged that doctor intimidation has occurred in our health care system, and have committed to solving this unacceptable practice. This is not about initiating an inquiry which wastes limited resources on something that has already been determined.”

is about moving forward, our opposition seems to continuously introduce plans that look into the past and have backward momentum. When an error is made, you acknowledge it, create a solution and ensure you do everything possible to mitigate the chance the error to occur again.”



Find out more

There are many events and activities to take part in for the upcoming election. Would you like to find out how to support your local candidate? Would you like to find out what else is happening in the lead up to the campaign? Make sure you bookmark our new website: votepc.ca

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Good Morning:

In addition to the Bulletin from yesterday, I wanted to remind you about the political forums this week:

The start tonight in Drumheller at the Badlands Community Facility Banquet Hall. Doors open to the public at 6:30 p.m. The Drumheller address is 80 Veterans Way. Please plan to attend if you can, and please give some thought to some appropriate questions.

On Wednesday afternoon, the debate will be held at the Hanna Community Centre. Doors open at 11:15 a.m. The address in Hanna is 503 - 4th Street West.

On Wednesday evening, the debate stage will move to Stettler. The doors open there at 6:30 p.m. and it's at the Grandfield Studio Room of the Stettler Library. The public library there is right beside the Stettler Recreation Centre.

And finally, in Consort on 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. Details of the location will follow in an email update.

The debates are a real good opportunity to hear about party platforms, something that "really" needs to be relayed to voters. So please plan to attend one or more of the forums.

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Drumheller-Stettler



Afternoon of April 15, 2012

Quote of the Day:

"We want to make it clear to Albertans that their voices and their votes matters. Albertans are now faced with a very important decision to make that will have a tremendous impact on what this province becomes over the next few years. The PC party stands for investing in the future. Investing in publicly funded healthcare. Investing in education by building 50 new schools, and renovating 70 older ones. Investing in the communities, like this one, that make up this great province. Investing in you and your family. That's a PC promise." - Premier Alison Redford

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Information for Candidates

Seniors Briefing Note

PCs question Wildrose good behaviour bonds

Sheila Pratt

Edmonton Journal

April 15, 2012

The Wildrose claims to be the party of free speech but has little credibility when some party members are muzzled by a \$1,000 "good conduct" bond, says Thomas Lukaszuk, the PC candidate in Edmonton-Castle Downs.

"An election is exactly the time for dialogue with the voters, yet these party members are not allowed to talk?" said Lukaszuk.

"How can you reconcile that party policy with their claim to free votes and an open caucus?"

Lukaszuk said he was shocked when he first heard Wildrose Party holds on to a \$1,000 cheque from each person who ran but lost a bid to become a Wildrose candidate.

The failed candidate will get the money back after the election - only if they do not criticize the Wildrose Party candidate or run for another party. (Those who won the candidate ticket received their \$1,000 cheque immediately.)

This strategy is imported from the federal Conservatives who instituted it after the 2004 federal election, said Wildrose organizer and senate candidate Vitor Marciano.

In that federal election, some Conservative party members who failed to win their nomination race then went out in the election campaign and publicly endorsed the Liberals, said Marciano, who worked for the newly amalgamated federal party at the time.

"We thought it was a good rule so we brought into to our party," said Marciano.

He also downplayed the "good-behaviour" bond as an infringement of free speech.

"You can say what you want, but you will lose the \$1,000," said Marciano.

Also, "this has no bearing on how MLAs will act in caucus after the election," he said. "This is about party discipline before the election."

"Once they are elected, MLAs are obliged to represent everyone in the constituency."

Marciano said for the Tories criticize the \$1,000 bond is "ludicrous" since that party that has kicked out of caucus MLAs like Guy Boutilier who disagreed with the party line.

But Lukaszuk said the bond is to keep quiet "loose cannons" who would reveal the full character of the party if they talked. That's also why all Wildrose candidates must check in the party's headquarters before they can speak to the media.

Instead, the party relies on "a few trusted operatives" like Marciano who has been appearing at all party debates - even though he is a federal candidate, said Lukaszuk.

Lukaszuk that was especially apparent in three public debates in education in Edmonton during the campaign when Marciano spoke for the Wildrose instead of a local candidate.

"Education is 100 per cent a provincial responsibility, yet I was debating a federal candidate," said Lukaszuk.

Marciano said since forums were not tied to local constituencies, it was decided he would be the spokesperson.

The Progressive Conservative party does not require a deposit from members running in a nomination race, party president Bill Smith confirmed. Some constituencies may require those who enter the race to pay \$500 to help defray the costs of the nomination process.

The Wildrose good conduct bond is "highly unusual and speaks for itself," he added.

The rules for a leadership race are different and the party requires a \$15,000 deposit from the handful of candidates running in that contest, he added.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/question+Wildrose+good+behaviour+bonds/6462787/story.html>

News Update:

Alberta premier shocked at Wildrose candidate's views about gays ending up in a 'lake of fire': Alberta Premier Alison Redford is blasting the rival Wildrose party over an anti-gay blog posting by one of its candidates. On his pastor's blog in June of last year Allan Hunsperger and his wife warned against accepting gays and lesbians for who they are. They wrote if they don't change they will "suffer the rest of eternity in the lake of fire" - a reference to hell. *Redford told reporters in Calgary Sunday that it blows her mind that a candidate running for office in this day and age could hold those kind of views. She says that is the kind of social issue Albertans need to worry about if the Wildrose party wins the April 23 election.*

<http://www.globalnews.ca/alberta+premier+shocked+at+wildrose+candidates+views+about+gays+ending+up+in+a+lake+of+fire/6442621395/story.htm>

Smith defends conduct policy: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith defended on Saturday the policy requiring a \$1,000 "good conduct" bond from every person who has attempted to run as a candidate for her party. Winners of the party nomination races, now running as Wildrose candidates, have had the \$1,000 bond returned. However, those who tried but lost in the party's nomination contests won't get their deposit back until after election day on April 23. (Kelly Cryderman and Cailynn Klingbeil, Edmonton Journal)

Health care back under spotlight as election campaign heats up: Health care jumped back on to centre stage of the provincial election campaign Saturday, as both the Progressive Conservative and Wildrose leaders rolled out ideas on how to improve Alberta's multibillion-dollar system of hospitals and emergency helicopters. (Kelly Cryderman and Karen Kleiss, Calgary Herald/Edmonton Journal, April 15, 2012)

Liberals vow to cut power bills by reversing Tory 'mistake': Calling the deregulation of electricity "one of biggest mistakes" Alberta's Tory

government has ever made, Liberal Leader raj sherman announced his plans Saturday for cutting people's power bills. Speaking to candidates and supporters in Medicine Hat, Sherman said his party would ideally re-regulate the electricity market in the province. But he said the PC government has damaged the system so badly, it would cost Albertans "billions upon billions of dollars" to reverse the mistake. (Tony Seskus, Calgary Herald)

Leaders curiously silent on oilsands: Over the past three weeks, the race for control of the legislature has been occupied by public-versus-private health-care questions, talk of how to balance budgets and spend surplus energy revenues, and discussion of "conscience rights" and MLA accountability. That mash-up of debates has pushed the cleanup of oilsands tailings ponds or greenhouse gas emissions off the agenda, apart from campaign promises made by NDP Leader Brian Mason and Liberal Leader Raj Sherman, both of whom are polling low among decided voters. (Trish Audette, Edmonton Journal / Calgary Herald)

Dividends could restrain government spending: Pundits have been busy criticizing Wildrose's election plan for energy dividends as frivolous spending. Paradoxically, the plan could result in increased government savings. The dividend money would be best spent building new schools and clinics, some say, concealing the supposition that public money is best spent by government. The record does not warrant such supposition. (Marco Navarro-Genie, Calgary Herald)

Wildrose victory in Alberta election would hardly be surprising: If in a week Wildrose leader Danielle Smith becomes premier of Alberta, many will call it a stunning upset. But in fact it won't be stunning at all. Smith's ascent has been predictable, to the point of being inevitable. And that was even before the stench of death began wafting over the campaign of Tory incumbent Premier Alison Redford, because of various scandals and pratfalls, and before Smith's perceived victory in last week's televised debate. (Den Tandt, Calgary Herald)

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/news/politics/Tandt+Wildrose+victory+Alberta+election+would+hardly+surprising/6462604/story.html>

Social Media Update:

Sample Tweets:

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Hi:

Some interesting information in this Bulletin about just how "inexperienced" the Wildrose candidates are!
I find it hard to believe that voters would be willing to ignore that.

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Afternoon of April 14, 2012

Note of the Day:

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Premier's Schedule:

10 AM
No Op: Eastlink Multiplex Centre Tour with Mayor Bill Given
Knowledge Way (68 Avenue), Grande Prairie

15 PM
No Op: Volunteer BBQ Hosted by Grande Prairie Candidates
June 2000, 11330 106 Street, Grande Prairie

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96 Street, Grande Prairie

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via Availability: Grande Prairie STARS Hanger-
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Press Release #1

Supporting an Essential Healthcare Service in Rural and Remote Communities

Edmonton - A Progressive Conservative government will support the vital emergency service STARS, the Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service, by providing new funding of \$10 million per year starting in 2013.

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STARS personifies innovation, dedication and ingenuity in health care. It delivers a comprehensive, responsive system that is second to none - a vital lifeline for rapid, highly specialized emergency medical transport that increases Albertans' chances of survival and prospects for recovery in the face of critical injuries, accidents and emergency medical events." With bases in Calgary, Edmonton and Grande Prairie, STARS provides equitable access to high-quality care for all Albertans. By pursuing the common goal of providing seamless emergency care together we can provide all Albertans the assurance that emergency services will be available to them when they matter most."

As part of our dedication to ensuring that rural Alberta is seen as a viable choice for families, this stable funding will deliver another element of certainty and service to an outstanding quality of life."

News Update:

Meet the Wildrose bunch: "The public face of the Wildrose Party is almost exclusively that of its leader, Danielle Smith. But now Wildrose is poised to form Alberta's next government, attention has turned to those running with her - a group of candidates she described as "second to none" after the leaders debate on Thursday night.

They are certainly fresh blood - 75 of the 87 in the running have never been elected to a municipal council, let alone the provincial legislature or Parliament. "We're putting together a team of candidates who are not career politicians," Ms. Smith said. "Instead, they have the experience actually doing real things."

The spectrum of values and beliefs they represent is reminiscent of the early days of the Reform Party (some are outspoken opponents of gay marriage, others deny climate change, others are staunch free-speech advocates fed up with Canadian courts), but the party as a whole is tapping into a groundswell of resentment over the state of the Alberta government." (Josh Wingrove, Globe and Mail, April 12, 2012)

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/meet-the-wildrose-bunch/article2401848/>

Messages:

We believe that Albertans have a very clear and distinct choice to make in this election.

Elections allow us to engage with Albertans and show them who we are, and what we stand for: investing in healthcare and education with no new taxes.

We think Albertans should take a long and hard look at the calibre of the Wildrose candidates. Many of the Wildrose candidates have very radical and extreme views.

Healthcare issue private-care warning: "Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith will funnel money out of the public health-care system to pay for private services at private clinics in Alberta and abroad, Tory Leader Alison Redford charged Friday.

At an Edmonton news conference, Redford alleged a "key adviser" to Smith is poised to back a \$125-million private hospital in British Columbia if the Wildrose is moving to privatize health care in Alberta.

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Wildrose 'firewall' letter ignites political storm: "Echoing the famous "firewall" letter of a decade ago, Danielle Smith says Alberta should "assert itself" in Canada under a Wildrose government and have the ear of a sympathetic prime minister in Ottawa.

Among these initiatives, the Wildrose's policy book calls for the creation of an Alberta Pension Plan, which would see the province follow Quebec's lead and withdraw from the Canada Pension Plan.

Some contend such talk would turn back the clock and see Alberta become more insular inside Confederation." (James Wood, Calgary Herald/Edmonton Journal, April 14, 2012)

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/business/Wildrose+firewall+letter+ignites+political+storm/6459009/story.html>

Premiers Getty, Lougheed go public with Redford support: "Alison Redford's Tories boast that they're "not your father's PC" - the slogan on a controversial campaign poster.

What does that strike a true Progressive Conservative father, former premier Don Getty?
I'm fine with it.

Don Getty, 77, is completely behind PC Leader Alison Redford and hopes the old party wins big again on April 23. " (Don Braid, Calgary Herald, April 14, 2012)

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/Braid+premiers+Getty+Lougheed+public+with+Redford+support/6457377/story.html#ixzz1s2uhV>

Official Media Update:

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Alison Redford

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Message about campaign promise meant to be non-partisan, says college president. "The president of Norquest College took steps to clarify that a message distributed to all staff this week was not an endorsement of any political party.

The message from president Jodi Abbott, sent Tuesday after Progressive Conservative Leader Alison Redford promised to dedicate \$65 million over three years to five post-secondary construction projects, included a summary of the campaign pledge and a description of what a \$100 million North Learning Centre and building retrofit would mean for the college.

Receiving some emails and comments about that message, Abbott sent a follow-up email to all staff Friday. In it, she clarified that the announcement was not an official government announcement. "Please be assured that NorQuest is not endorsing any political party." (Sarah O'Donnell, Edmonton Journal)

More: [www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Message+about+campaign+promise+meant+partisan+says+college+president/6456494/story.h](http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Message+about+campaign+promise+meant+partisan+says+college+president/6456494/story.html)

Redford's weekly wrap: The Debate week: The third week of the provincial election campaign included big announcements, accusations and counter promises. But the week was dominated by Thursday night's leaders debate... an event columnist Don Braid called "a pitched battle for undecided voters". (Don Braid, Calgary Herald)

ore: <http://www.calgaryherald.com/Braid+weekly+wrap+Debate+week/6456371/story.html>

Heating up: Alberta's Wildrose and PCs accuse each other of secret plots: Alberta's two front-running politicians signalled the week of the election will be nasty, with each accusing the other Friday of pulling the strings on secret plots. Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith accused Progressive Conservative Premier Alison Redford of angling to boost her \$200,000 salary. Redford accused Smith of plugging tax dollars and patients to a Wildrose party buddy in British Columbia who is helping build a private health clinic. (Dean Benbow, Edmonton)

ore: www.globaltv.com/race+heating+up+albertas+wildrose+and+pcs+accuse+each+other+of+secret+plots/6442620648/story.html

Smith taking heat over 'good conduct bond': With just over one week to go before Albertans vote, the Wildrose Party is under scrutiny from opposition members after their opposition commented on a bond MLA hopefuls were required to pay into, in order to seek nomination. (Carrish, CTV Edmonton)

ore: http://edmonton.ctv.ca/servlet/an/local/CTVNews/20120413/EDM_smith_bond_120413/20120413/?hub=EdmontonHome

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Subject: Upcoming Events

Good Morning:

There are a couple of election events you will want to attend:

First is the Oyen Forum which will be held tonight, Wednesday, April 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the Crossroads Centre, 1100 Main Street East (South on Main Street towards the Airport). The Forum is being put on by the Big Country Agricultural Society, and we thank them for the opportunity.

Please plan to attend.

Tomorrow is Television Debate night. Instead of watching the debate on T.V. at home, why not join our PC Candidate Jack Hayden in Stettler at the Ramada Inn. We have a big TV to watch the debate on, and beef on a bun will also be served, so you won't have to cook either. The event starts on Thursday, April 12th at 5:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn in Stettler, and it's located at 6711-49th Avenue.

More events to follow!!

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of the Day:

's no doubt that post-secondary institutions in this province, no matter where they are, are the key to our future success," Premier Redford

www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6436624/story.html

Worth Knowing:

2012 allocated 75% of its funding to programs in health, education and human services without raising taxes.

Release:

will be a news release tomorrow. The information will be sent out in the morning bulletin.

er's Schedule:

AM - Announcement & Media Availability: Golden Age Club in East Village

(Senior's Friendship Centre) 610 8th Ave SE, Calgary

M - Photo Op: Meet & Greet at Cal Dallas' Campaign Office

#7, 4324 54 Ave, Red Deer

M - Photo Op: Shepherd's Care Kensington Village in Edmonton-Calder

12603 135 Ave, Edmonton

M - Photo Op: Edmonton-Goldbar's Brett Kissel Concert

8527 Marie-Anne Gaboury Street, Edmonton

From Today:

Smith ponders provincial purchase of City Centre Airport land: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith is a capable and charming politician with plenty of interesting ideas.

At the same time, Smith and the Wildrose have some problematic policies when it comes to Calgary, Edmonton and Alberta's other cities. She is slashing the \$2-billion GreenTrip fund for C-Train and LRT construction, delaying construction of the Royal Alberta Museum and reopening the Edmonton City Centre Airport debate.

more:

www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Staples+Smith+ponders+provincial+purchase+City+Centre+Airport+land/6438072/story.htm

2012 Election: Redford announces \$650 million post-secondary investment: Conservative Leader Alison Redford on Tuesday announced a three-year, \$650 million investment in colleges and universities across Alberta.

The money will benefit NAIT, NorQuest, the University of Calgary, Lethbridge College and Mount Royal University.

"There's no doubt that post-secondary institutions in this province, no matter where they are, are the key to our future success," Redford said at her announcement at Bow Valley College on Tuesday morning.

more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6436624/story.html>

Liberals' retooled carbon tax would fund city LRT, buses: Alberta Liberals say they would focus a carbon levy on actual emissions rather than emissions intensity, to boost green energy research and public transportation initiatives by \$1.8 billion each year.

The announcement is a visionary announcement to green our economy (and) help improve Alberta's reputation with respect to carbon emissions. Liberal Leader Raj Sherman said Tuesday outside the Southgate LRT station in Edmonton. "Half of the money goes back to industry, to make sure they deal with their carbon issues, and half of it goes to green transportation for Alberta municipalities. What does that mean for Edmonton and Calgary? Three hundred million dollars a year that they can use for LRT or green transportation."

\$100 million for public transportation, Sherman envisions one-third going to Edmonton and one-third to Calgary. The other half of the \$1.8 billion raised would go to industry to invest in "green cleanup technology."

more: <http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Liberals+retooled+carbon+would+fund+city+buses/6437397/story.html>

Elections Alberta investigates complaint against PC Senate candidate over fundraising: Elections Alberta has begun an investigation into a Wildrose party allegation that Progressive Conservative Senate candidate Doug Black broke the province's electoral funding rules.

uesday, Wildrose Senate candidate Vitor Marciano released a letter sent last October by Black's supporters in British Columbia, asking business leaders there to donate to Black's campaign. Marciano said last fall's push for B.C. dollars breaks provincial elections laws that prohibit sign fundraising cannot take place before an election is called, and candidates cannot solicit or accept donations from out-of-province.

no filed a complaint with Elections Alberta on Tuesday, saying Albertans expect politicians to follow the law.

more:

www.calgaryherald.com/news/alberta/Elections+Alberta+investigates+complaint+against+Senate+candidate+over/6437596/story.html

Information for Candidates:

continue to spread this message:

Redford's Plan: No New Taxes. No Service Cuts.

Alberta's economic success has been built on a foundation of low taxes.

We continue to have the lowest tax burden in Canada - with the lowest fuel tax, no payroll tax, no capital tax and no sales tax.

That's why I have introduced a three-year budget with no tax increases and no service cuts.

It provides Albertans with the certainty they need to build a business, learn a trade or care for an aging parent.

Improving services with no tax increases and no new taxes.

That's the Progressive Conservative Plan.

<http://www.votepc.ca/public/data/documents/NoNewTaxesRuralWeekliesMar19pdf.pdf>

Media Update:

For accounts to follow:

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Attachments: 19-20120405-0643a1 Bulletin - April 4 evening 1.pdf

Good Morning.

Attached is the evening update from last night!

Today is a big day, as the Premier of Alberta visits in Drumheller at noon. Despite the weather, I do hope you can get a chance to make your way to Drumheller, and have an opportunity to meet Alison Redford. We expect an announcement that's related to Education, so there will be some media in attendance as well.

We will have some burgers cooking as well for lunch, despite the fact, it doesn't look like BBQ weather here this morning.

Hope to see you in Drumheller!!

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Evening of April 4, 2012

Quote of the Day:

“There is a choice for Albertans to make in this election. A clear difference of priorities. My priority is schools for children.” – Premier Alison Redford



Premier Redford at Norbridge Seniors Centre - Lethbridge

A Fact Worth Knowing:

- On international tests, Alberta students scored the highest marks in the world in reading and were among the top three in science and mathematics.
- Alberta's 13 year-old students have achieved the highest marks in the country in science, according to national test results.

Premier's Schedule for Thursday:

10:00 AM - Announcement & Media Availability: South Health Campus, Calgary

12:45 PM - Announcement & Media Availability: Jack Hayden's Drumheller-Stettler Campaign Office

1:30 PM - Photo Op: Verdant Valley & Dorcas Women's Institute, Drumheller

News Today:

Alberta Tories pledge \$2.4B to build and renovate schools: Tory Leader Alison Redford threw down the gauntlet at the Wildrose party on Wednesday as she promised 50 new schools across the province and upgrades to 70 existing schools over four years.

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/news/alberta/Alberta+Tories+pledge+build+renovate+schools/6411493/story.html#ixzz1r7jyKVfL>

Alberta Tories label Wildrose position on conscience rights 'frightening': Progressive Conservative Leader Alison Redford pounced on a potential wedge issue in Alberta's election campaign Wednesday, saying she's "frightened" by the Wildrose Party's support of "conscience rights," or the right of a professional to refuse to provide a service, such as an abortion, on religious or other grounds.

"I was very frightened to hear the discussion today.... I certainly respect people's personal beliefs, but I believe in a province where we have to treat individuals with dignity and respect. We have to live in a community where we respect diversity and we understand that everyone feels safe and included," Ms. Redford said.

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/alberta-election/alberta-tories-label-wildrose-position-on-conscience-rights-frightening/article2392304/>

'Conscience rights' questions dog Wildrose leader: Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith would not say on Wednesday whether she believes provincial employees should be able to refuse to perform abortions or marry gay couples if those duties go against their personal beliefs.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/albertavotes2012/story/2012/04/04/albertavotes2012-conscience-rights-smith-wildrose.html>

PCs and NDP up ante in bid to woo Alberta seniors: Tory leader Alison Redford announced in Lethbridge that a re-elected Progressive Conservative government would introduce a \$500 senior's activity tax credit.

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/ante+Alberta+seniors/6412468/story.html#ixzz1r7hatPSZ>

Alberta Election 2012: Liberals pledge to boost early childhood education funding: The Alberta Liberals promised an annual \$100-million boost to government-subsidized early childhood education programs Wednesday.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Alberta+Election+2012+Liberals+pledge+boost+early+childhood+education+funding/6412137/story.html>

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Good Morning:

Thanks to Shawna, our facebook page is up and running. Just head to our facebook page at www.facebook.com/electjackhayden and like it!!

If you capture any Jack photos or video, please sent them directly to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Just a reminder that the Premier will be visiting our constituency tomorrow in Drumheller at 12:30 p.m. Please see the attached invitation, and please plan to attend.

I've also attached the most recent PC Update for your information.

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Evening of April 3, 2012

Quote of the Day:

“All of this is part of a PC commitment to infrastructure that that allows communities across this province to thrive,” said Redford. “The contrast between that and what we’re hearing from other political parties is that when you start talking about taking \$2 billion out of the existing budget, about taking half a billion dollars out of the Municipal Sustainability Initiative, you start to impact community development. It’s a fundamental choice that Albertans will have to make.”



A Fact Worth Knowing:

Alberta’s infrastructure support is 38% higher than the average of what other provinces have been spending – about \$1500 per capita.

Premier's Schedule:

9:00 AM - Announcement & Media Availability: Lethbridge Lodge

9:45 AM - Photo Op: Norbridge Seniors Centre, Lethbridge

10:15 AM - Announcement & Media Availability: Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, Lethbridge

11:00 AM - Photo Op: Lethbridge Senior Citizens Association, Lethbridge

2:30 PM - Announcement & Media Availability: Arbour Lake Field, Calgary

3:50 PM - Photo Op: Calgary-Varsity Preschool, Calgary

5:50 PM - Photo Op: Calgary Flames Wives Ultimate Ladies Night Out, Calgary

7:00 PM - Photo Op: Wendelin Fraser's Calgary-Fish Creek Fundraiser, Newport Grill, Calgary

News Today:

Redford: Infrastructure commitments allow communities to thrive: “These aren’t just campaign promises, these projects are in place and are proceeding,” said Redford of a long-planned redevelopment of Medicine Hat Regional Hospital where demolition is taking place, a recently announced highway overpass at Dunmore Road, a planned K-9 public school in South Ridge and money for long-term care facility, that is currently out to tender.

<http://www.medicinehatnews.com/alberta-election-2012/redford-infrastructure-commitments-allow-communities-to-thrive.html>

Alberta Tories tout Medicine Hat as model of growing public needs: The Tories have allocated more than \$16 billion over the next three years on infrastructure, a third of which will go directly to municipalities. Funding has also been put on predictable three-year cycles for schools and municipalities to allow for better planning.

<http://www.medicinehatnews.com/alberta-election-2012/alberta-tories-tout-medicine-hat-as-model-of-growing-public-needs-being-met.html>

Redford touts Medicine Hat as model of managed growth: Premier Alison Redford says the southern Alberta city of Medicine Hat is the best example of how her party is growing the province.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/albertavotes2012/story/2012/04/03/albertavotes2012-redford-medicine-hat.html>

Redford, Smith battle over dividend plan: Wildrose Leader Danielle says Albertans will embrace her party's plan to hand out energy dividend cheques, even as PC counterpart Alison Redford suggested the idea has not been well received.

<http://blogs.edmontonjournal.com/2012/04/03/redford-smith-battle-over-dividend-plan/>

Alberta Election 2012: Balanced NDP budget would hike oilsands royalties, cut taxes for small businesses: The NDP would bring stability to the budget, balancing it within a year by increasing oil sands royalties and taxes on the rich, while also increasing services and decreasing taxes on small businesses, leader Brian Mason said Tuesday.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/Balanced+budget+would+hike+oilsands+royalties+taxes+small/6404846/story.html>

Alberta Election 2012: Alberta Liberals reiterate pledge to forgive portion of student loans: Liberal Leader Raj Sherman repeated his promise Tuesday to forgive portions of provincial student loans to make post-secondary education more accessible.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/business/alberta-politics/6404728/story.html>

Campaign continues for major parties throughout Alberta: Progressive Conservative Leader Alison Redford was in southern Alberta Tuesday, trying to shore up support for her party in southeast Alberta. She started her day in Medicine Hat, but at an appearance in Taber later on, Redford pledged that a PC government would make it possible for Albertans to renew their prescriptions – without having to visit their doctor.

http://edmonton.ctv.ca/servlet/an/local/CTVNews/20120403/EDM_electioncampaign_tuesday_120403/20120403/?hub=EdmontonHome

Alberta Election 2012: Alberta's deadliest highway becomes an election issue: Plans to fully twin the road have been in the works for years, but progress has been slow, a point the local Wildrose candidates have been using to attack the Progressive Conservatives.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6404499/story.html>

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PC Alberta

Jack Hayden

Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation

welcomes you to an

OPEN HOUSE

with

Premier Alison Redford

at the Drumheller PC Voter Information Office

352 Centre Street, Drumheller

Thursday, April 5th at 12:30 pm

This open house will allow supporters to hear from our leader first hand and discuss with her the issues we face in Drumheller – Stettler.

We hope to see folks from throughout the constituency.



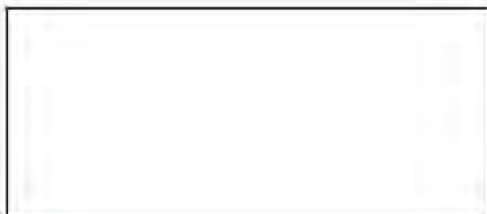
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Subject: Fwd: Evening Bulletin - April 2, 2012

Good Morning:

Here is the bulletin update from last evening. I'll circulate more details on the Premier's visit later today. I hope you can all join us in Drumheller on Thursday!!

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Evening of April 2, 2012

Quote of the Day:

"Albertans need access to health care services in their own community," says Premier Alison Redford. "Currently we have three pilot Family Care Clinics operating in the province. We will evaluate their performance and make adjustments to provide better service in communities throughout the province."

A Fact Worth Knowing:

Family Care Clinics will be staffed by a team of health care providers such as nurse practitioners, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, social workers, mental health counselors, psychologists, pharmacists, dieticians, physiotherapists, family physicians and others to meet local primary health care needs.

Alberta Families need medical services at their convenience. Health issues do not emerge based on a 9 to 5 schedule. Family Care Clinics will be open from 7 am to 9 pm to accommodate the needs of busy Alberta families.

Premier's Schedule:

Medicine Hat - 9:00 AM - Announcement: Medicine Hat Lodge

Medicine Hat - 10:15 AM - Photo Op: Co-op Coffee Party

Taber - 12:15 PM - Announcement: Taber Pharmasave

Taber - 12:30 PM - Photo Op: Pat Shimbashi's Campaign Office
Coaldale - 2:15 PM - Photo Op: Rehoboth Christian Ministries
Coaldale - 3:30 PM - Photo Op: Coffee Party with Coaldale Wellness Committee
Lethbridge - 5:30 PM - Photo Op: Greg Weadick's Campaign Office

News Today:

Numbers just don't add up for Danielle Smith's Alberta Energy Dividend: "This is really about bribing people with their own money."

<http://beaconnews.ca/blog/2012/04/numbers-just-dont-add-up-for-danielle-smiths-alberta-energy-dividend/>

Minister's last-minute call puts student move on hold: A last-minute intervention by Education Minister Thomas Lukaszuk could keep 240 students from moving out of an overcrowded school in southwest Edmonton.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/story/2012/04/02/edmonton-sister-annata-brockman-school-reversal.html>

NDP to raise royalties on oil: The NDP said it will hike royalties and force all new oilsands projects to upgrade recovered bitumen in Alberta.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/story/2012/04/02/albertavotes2012-ndp-oilsands-royalties.html>

Alberta Election 2012: Pre-packaged responses to 'Danielle Bucks' slips out from Tory war room: The war room bulletin, e-mailed to reporters just before 1 p.m., included a list of pre-packaged responses to the Wildrose party energy dividend announcement today that will see 20 per cent of budget surpluses generated by energy royalties given out to all Albertans, along the same lines as Ralph Bucks in 2005.

<http://www.edmontonjournal.com/news/alberta-politics/6398995/story.html>

Kelly McParland: Wildrose opens Alberta's vote-buying bazaar with a bid of \$300 per voter: Ergo, we have the race to run Alberta, which is only a week old but already deep into tawdry vote-buying tactics. Dismayingly, the bidding is being led by Danielle Smith, leader of the ostensibly prudent and pragmatic Wildrose party, which says it will display its greater fealty to fiscal rectitude by cutting every single Albertan a big fat cheque - not only this year, but next year too, and the year after that ... maybe forever as far as we know, just as long as the oil doesn't run out.

<http://fullcomment.nationalpost.com/2012/04/02/kelly-mcparland-wildrose-opens->

[albertas-vote-buying-bazaar-with-a-bid-of-300-per-voter/](#)

Alberta Liberals to eliminate tuition by 2025: The Alberta Liberals say they would begin reducing college and university tuition fees upon winning the election and eliminate post-secondary tuition entirely by 2025.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/story/2012/04/02/albertavotes2025-liberals-eliminate-tuition.html>

Promises, Promises: week 2 has begun, and wouldn't you know it - there's a handful of promises to get us started. I thought I'd take a look at each of them

<http://www.globaltvedmonton.com/pages/blogs.aspx?id=6442613613&blogid=670>

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From: [REDACTED]
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Cc: Tim Fox
Subject: RE: Meeting

Hi [REDACTED]:

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Thank you.

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Hi Yvette. Can you advise who will be in attendance from the County tomorrow? Thank you in advance.

[REDACTED]
Scheduling Assistant to the
Minister of Tourism, Parks & Recreation
[REDACTED]

From: ! [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 4:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Meeting

Hi [REDACTED]

This date is OK. Thank you for doing this.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2012, at 4:26 PM, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED].

I have been able to get a date from Hon. Ray Danyluk's office for this meeting. Please advise if March 13th – 4 pm – 4:30 pm might work for this meeting here at the Legislature Building. Jack is also available to attend. Let me know if this works on your end and thank you.

[REDACTED]
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From: Jack Hayden
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 4:42 PM
To: ! [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Meeting

Back tomorrow. I will cc [REDACTED] and see what we can set up with Ray. In Stettler Fri about lunch time. Thanks Jack

From: ! [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 04:28 PM
To: Jack Hayden
Subject: Meeting

Hi Jack:

Welcome Back?!!!. Could you please arrange a meeting for our Reeve, Deputy Reeve, CAO and you to meet with Minister Danyluk to discuss the AMWWP program for the Erskine Reservoir. We would be more than happy to travel to Edmonton to meet with you at your convenience. They will all be in Edmonton for the Ag Services Convention January 31, 2012 to February 3, 2012.

Thanks again Jack and I look forward to hearing from you.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, February 3, 2012 6:01 PM
To: Tim Fox
Subject: waste to energy

Tim,
Lacombe County seems to be very interested in our w to e project. [REDACTED] asks me every time I see him about the project. Today he came to our table and asked if they would be able to send recycled plastics to our unit once we get it going. Also agricultural plastic waste was mentioned during the Ministers Forum (3 ministers, Berger, Hayden and Daniluk were the only ones present.

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