

June 2023



Dear Constituent,

We are in the final stretch of a busy parliamentary session. The House of Commons is often sitting until midnight as the government tries to pass as many of its Bills as possible before the summer recess on June 23rd. I do my best to represent the people of Simcoe—Grey by listening to the feedback that everyone provides whether through phone calls, emails, by returning my surveys, or through conversations at the events I attend all over the riding. I vote to support legislation which I believe people here support and oppose what they don't. I vote against tax increases, more debt, unnecessary regulation, and red tape. I support initiatives that help grown our communities and help the least fortunate amongst us.

Outside of legislation, we have seen some troubling issues come to the attention of the public. Many constituents have contacted me about Beijing's interference – specifically in our electoral system, but also more generally in Canada. Rest assured, that we in the Opposition will continue to keep the pressure up to call a public inquiry into this matter.

If someone were to ask me what the most common issue I hear about is right now, I would say it is cost-of-living, or associated concerns like inflation, mortgage and rent increases, or taxes. More and more people — even middle-class families with two incomes — are finding it a real challenge to make ends meet. End of the month savings that used to go towards retirement, kids' education, or a family vacation, are disappearing. Instead, that money is being used to pay more for hundreds more a month in mortgage renewals, increased food prices, and more-and-more tax.

This is why people were so concerned last week when the independent Parliamentary Budget Officer (PBO) publicly revealed that the government new Clean Fuel Regulations will cost the average Ontario household an additional \$495 per year. In essence, this is a second Carbon Tax. But there will be no 'rebate' to offset any of this one. Once fully in place, for every litre of fuel, the Carbon Tax will add 37 cents, this new second Carbon Tax 17 cents, and you will pay HST on top of that. This has to stop. The PBO calculated that when all is said and done, the average Ontario household will be paying \$2315.00 more when the two Carbon Taxes are combined. If you know anyone getting this much of a rebate from the government, please put me in touch with them. In the meantime, I will be doing what I can to fight against this latest tax increase.

As always, I am here to help. Please contact one of my offices or respond to one of my newsletters. I read all the replies and try to call as many of you personally as possible.

Sincerely,

Terry Dowdall

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Member of Parliament for Simcoe—Grey

RIDING EVENTS & NEWS



Civic Prayer Breakfast Steering Committee Member, Frank Tilley



MP Dowdall & Civic Prayer Breakfast 2023 Guest Speaker, Harold Albrecht

On Friday, May 5th MP Dowdall attended the 9th Annual Civic Prayer Breakfast of South Georgian Bay. The event was held at Bear Estate located on the beautiful shores of Georgian Bay at Living Waters Resort & Spa. This year's guest speaker was Harold Albrecht, former Member of Parliament for Kitchener-Conestoga from 2006-2019. The morning was full of inspiration from the guest speaker, a time for prayer and the opportunity to connect with community leaders.



MP Dowdall & Larry Law, Living Waters Resort Owner



Official Ground-breaking with representatives of Living Water, Members of Collingwood Council and Staff, MP Dowdall & MPP Saunderson

Living Water Resorts has launched an ambitious vision to introduce the Living Water Retirement Residence in its Collingwood resort setting. MP Dowdall was happy to be in attendance for the Ground-Breaking. The existing resort property at Keith Avenue and Highway 26 in Collingwood, will feature 129 new rental units dedicated to seniors and retirees. In addition, the transformation includes 13,000 square feet of amenity space, including dining, lounges and fitness facilities to be used exclusively by Living Water Retirement Home residents. Completion is anticipated in the summer of 2024.



MP Dowdall supported the 17th Annual Kevin Lord Memorial Golf Tournament that took place on Saturday, May 27, at Bear Creek Golf Club. The fundraiser began in 2007 in memory of Kevin Lord, a New Tecumseth resident, who passed away in 2006 at the young age of 20, after a year-long battle with brain cancer. The fundraiser raises money in support of The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, Campfire Circle (formally Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium, camps for kids with cancer), Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Stevenson Memorial Hospital, Alliston as well as other charitable organizations and families in need. Pictured left is tournament organizer and Kevin Lords Father; Al Lord with MP Dowdall.





On Sunday, May 28, MP Dowdall was honoured participated and to bring greetings to the Hospice Georgian Triangle Foundation's 13th Annual Hike and Bike for Hospice. There were 486 participants and over 100 volunteers who attended to support hospice palliative care for patients and families in our community. Their goal of \$150,000.00 was surpassed and was last reported to be \$188,500 and counting. Pictured left above, MP Dowdall and Melanie Case of 95.1 the Peak FM, event MC. Pictured left, attendees and supporters to the event.







On Tuesday, May 30th, Matthews House Hospice celebrated the opening of their Memory Care & Dementia Day Program. The program is scheduled to start on June 5th, 2023 and will provide a supervised place for socialization and stimulation for clients with mild to moderate dementia.

Congratulations to Margaret Bachle, Cathy Morden, Maria Borczyk and the whole Matthews House Team of staff and volunteers on the opening of this remarkable initiative. Your continued dedication and commitment to providing compassionate support to your client as well as their family and friends is amazing.

RIDING CELEBRATIONS





In celebration of its 100th Anniversary, the Stayner Garden Club, formerly known as the Stayner Horticultural Society, purchased a new tulip themed fountainhead for Fountain Park in Stayner, just in time for Clearview Tulip Days. The presentation was held on Thursday, May 18th. During the celebration, Ann Ripley, President of the Garden Club explained how the Clearview Tulip Days event holds historical significance. And noted of the importance of remembering the liberation of Holland, saying each year the organization receives tulips from the Netherlands which are displayed throughout the streets of Stayner.

Pictured above is Garden Club President Ann Ripley and Garden Club Members along with Clearview Deputy Mayor Paul Van Staveren and Clearview Staff.



Congratulations to Tatham Engineering on being recognized as one of Canada's Top Small & Medium Employers for 2023 100 Top Employers in the annual Canada's Top 100 Employers Competition.

Pictured Left is Dan Hurley, President of Tatham Engineering with MP Dowdall





On Saturday, May 27th the streets of Downtown Collingwood were lined with family, friends and fans sharing their pride and cheering their congratulations to the Collingwood Blues on their accomplishments this season. The team won the Ontario Junior Hockey League Championship and proudly displayed the Buckland Cup during the parade. MP Dowdall was honoured to be invited to participate in this celebration and to congratulate in person the team, owners, management, coaches and the many volunteers on their hard work and achievement.

BUSINESS VISITS



A few months ago, MP Dowdall visited with Trevor and his wife Robyn Caruana, co-owners of Trevor's Roof Repairs located in Beeton. They shared the news of the expansion of their business. MP Dowdall was pleased to be invited back to attend the Grand Opening of their new location, at 1 Main St. Beeton, ON. Their new location provides the opportunity for clients to see displays and samples of products available.

On May 26th, MP Dowdall paid a visit to Cookstown Greens, located at 6321 9th Line, Thornton, ON. Owners Vicky and Simon discussed with MP Dowdall the diversity of their produce from field vegetables in the summer months to root storage vegetables in the winter. As well as the challenges they face in keeping their high quality certified organic products.







MP Dowdall attended the Official Grand Opening of Kitch'n Savvy, located at 7423 Hwy 26, Unit 2, Stayner, ON. Pictured above is MP Dowdall with Emaan and her husband Keith Toppazzini.

Emaan and her daughter Savana had a dream to create and serve an Authentic Middle Eastern/Mediterranean menu; well accomplish this dream they have! Kitch'n Savvy offers an array of delicious food with vegan, gluten-free, and keto options.

SIMCOE-GREY'S NEW CANADIAN CITIZENS



Nosa Airhunmwunde





Iryna Pimenova



Inna Kyrylenko



Anetor Samuel Irenan



Alla Makarova



Lina Smaliuga



Ferdinand & Jenny Rico

Pictured right is MP Dowdall with Gabrielle Vetro.

Gabriella and her family are scheduled to have their mobile catering business, A Taste of Italy, at Beach 1 in Wasaga Beach all summer.

Gabriella shared with MP Dowdall, that they can also be booked for private events.



PASSPORT CLINICS



On Saturday, May 6th, MP Dowdall, his staff and volunteers, held a Passport Clinic for Honda employees and their families. Approximately 245 people attended the clinic.

Passport processing has resumed to normal processing standards. If you have questions or want us to review your application for completeness, please don't hesitate to contact the constituency office at 1-866-435-1809.

How can we help?

My offices are open to help the constituents of Simcoe—Grey with any questions about any new announcements on programs, funding, and services. If you have any issues with the CRA, Employment Insurance, Pensions, Passports, Veteran Affairs or Citizenship and Immigration, my staff and I are here to assist you. My offices in Alliston and Collingwood are open Monday

to Friday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. We are located at 503 Hume St. Unit 4, Collingwood and 452 Victoria St. East, Alliston. You can call any time at 1-866-435-1809.



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