



February 2026

Dear Constituent,

The House of Commons returned the week of January 26th, and I am proud to be back in Ottawa representing you on the issues that matter most. I hope that you were able to spend some time with family and friends over the holidays and into January. I was able to attend many events over the break and connect with so many constituents. I heard much of the same message about how expensive life is and how unsafe so many Canadians feel. I also heard concerns about our relationship with the United States and the need for Canada to be united. I have taken those views back here to Ottawa with me.

Prime Minister Carney gave a good speech in Davos. Much of what he said about Canada needing to be competitive, self-reliant, and to get our resources to market I fully agree with. These are issues that Conservatives have always advocated on, and we are prepared to work with the government if it wants to put Mr. Carney's words into action. In fact, we even put forward a motion calling on the government to immediately introduce the Canadian Sovereignty Act, a plan to restore Canada's economic sovereignty by repealing federal measures that block resource development, reward investment in our country, and make us more self-reliant and competitive. I was proud to support this motion, as it aligns with getting Canada building again to create jobs and lower costs. Sadly, despite the motion advocating much of what the Prime Minister advocated for in Davos, the Liberals voted against the motion, thereby missing an opportunity to work together on strengthening our economy at a time when we face real global challenges. But our offer to work together remains on the table if the Liberals want to work in a real Team Canada manner.

On public safety, I'm pleased that Conservatives on the Justice Committee successfully helped pause the study of Bill C-9, the Combatting Hate Act. While the goal of the Bill is noble, serious concerns have been raised about its potential impacts on freedom of expression and religious freedoms. By negotiating to redirect committee efforts toward urgent priorities like bail reform in Bill C-14, we've ensured more thorough scrutiny of C-9 before it advances further. This cooperative step initiated by Conservatives allows time to address those concerns properly while moving forward on strengthening law

enforcement, fixing bail loopholes, and supporting safer streets, areas which Canadians have said need changes.

I am also pleased to announce that I officially tabled the first petition opposing the A-OTHR project in Clearview Township in the House of Commons. There are many more to come. I want to recognize the work done by Terri Jackman and Rachel Brooks on the petition and to thank everyone who signed it. We're not done fighting this project yet.

As always, feel free to contact any of my three offices if you need assistance with any federal government-related matter or to share your views with me. I'm optimistic about the road ahead. With continued focus and your input, we can make meaningful progress on affordability, safety, and sovereignty for Simcoe—Grey. Thank you for your support and for reaching out with your thoughts. Together, we're working toward a stronger, more prosperous Canada.



Terry Dowdall
Member of Parliament for Simcoe—Grey

RIDING EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations on the Grand Opening of Angus & Area Health & Boutique

Congratulations to Carson and Jessica on the Grand Opening of Angus & Area Health & Boutique located at 211 Mill St. Angus.

Formerly known for over 3 decades as Naturally For You Health Store, Carson and Jessica will be offering the same great health products as well as some unique custom design shirts, reusable thermal containers and so much more!

Congratulations and best wishes on your new adventure! Follow them on their new adventure at [**Angus & Area Health & Boutique**](#).



Grand Opening of Cocelli Döner Kebab House in Angus

Congratulations to Aydin Cocelli and his team on the Grand Opening of Cocelli Döner Kebab House located at 4 Massey St, Unit 9, Angus (Rainbow Plaza).

This is the 3rd location in Simcoe County, with plans of expanding!

Wishing you much success and a warm welcome to Simcoe—Grey! Follow them on Instagram [@cocellidonerangus](https://www.instagram.com/cocellidonerangus)



Congratulations MYCOLLINGWOOD.CA on 20 years of celebrating the community

For 20 years, [MYCOLLINGWOOD.CA](https://mycollingwood.ca) has delivered an innovative approach to community news—providing informative, supportive journalism that promotes local businesses and organizations in Collingwood and surrounding communities.

Congratulations Julie, wishing you many more years of success!



Annual Collingwood Mayor's New Year's Levee and Order of Collingwood was another success

It was a full house at Living Water Resorts', Bear Estate, for the Annual Collingwood Mayor's New Year's Levee and Order of Collingwood held on January 11th.

The event reviewed and celebrated the Town's many accomplishments for 2025, outlined some plans for 2026 and recognized the exemplary volunteer achievements of some of Collingwood's remarkable residents. The Town is known for its many outstanding volunteers who through their hard work and dedication, have made a positive difference in the community. Their contributions have made Collingwood a vibrant and desirable place to call home.

Congratulations to Barbara Keyzer-Pattison, Deb Piggott, Pearl Simmons, Claire Tucker-Reid and Paula Zubek; for your induction into the Order of Collingwood. Robert Graham, and Larry Hogarth for their promotions as Companions to the Order of Collingwood. And "Mr. Trails", George Christie for receiving the Governor General's Sovereign Medal for Volunteers.

Thank you to Mayor Hamlin, Council and Staff for the hard work you do throughout the year and for the continuation of this important annual event. And to all volunteers across Simcoe—Grey, that give your time and energy to make a positive impact to your community....THANK YOU!



Photo Courtesy of Dave West

Congratulations to The Print Shop in Collingwood on 45 years of success

It was a pleasure to stop in for a tour and to bring congratulations to Michael Donovan and team of The Print Shop in Collingwood, as they celebrate 45 years in business.

Over the years they have provided exceptional service and quality print products for many businesses, and organizations both locally and in surrounding communities.

They still use some original pieces of equipment including a Heidelberg Letter Press.

Wishing Michael and his team many more years of continued success. Click on the link to check out the variety of services and products they have to offer [**The Print Shop \(Collingwood\) Ltd.**](#)



Congratulations Bakery By The Bay - 5 years in Stayner and Collingwood Grand Opening

At the end of last year, Owner/Operators Stacey and Steve celebrated 5 years of making delicious homemade treats AND the most amazing Cinnamon Buns, at their location in Stayner. Now to start off 2026 they have more to celebrate by opening up their second store, located at 122”R” Hurontario Street, in Collingwood which is behind the Bell Store...on School House Lane.

I was not surprised when I arrived to see the amount of people coming into the Bakery after just a few days of being open....goods news (and food) travels fast!

In addition to sweet treats, they offer daily homemade lunch specials. You won't be disappointed! Follow them at [**Bakery By the Bay | Stayner ON**](#) or [**Bakery By The Bay Collingwood**](#) to stay up-to-date on the delicious sweet and savoury creations both locations have to offer.



VISITS WITH BUSINESSES & CONSTITUENTS



Anne Brayley - South Georgian Bay Philanthropy Innovation Collective

It was a pleasure to meet with Anne Brayley to learn about the vision for South Georgian Bay Philanthropy Innovation Collective. Inspired by Barbara and Larry Hall, in partnership with Anne Brayley, Martin Rydlo, and Catherine Daw, this is a unique initiative that would make South Georgian Bay a world class nature and wellness destination by bringing together nature-based wellness, environmental



Hannah Mawhinney - Student Nutrition Ontario

It was a pleasure to meet with Collingwood resident Hannah Mawhinney, who is also Project Manager for Student Nutrition Ontario.

Hannah shared that in 2025, 850,000 kids a DAY utilize the program, and this number this is expected to grow to 1 million this year.

We discussed the importance of the program as well as it challenges. She also shared new things in store to provide an educational component for students, in particular, expanding on

preservation all while contributing to economic development.

food preparation skills and healthy eating habits.

To learn more about their plan visit sgbinnovationfund.ca



Constituent Antonio Siracusa

It was a pleasure to meet and chat with constituent Antonio Siracusa who is new to the riding and a welcome addition to Simcoe—Grey.

Antonio is a church minister who has a background in nursing, chaplaincy, psychotherapy and theology. Antonio applies some experiences in his own journey to help others and will be a great addition to a new congregation.



Constituent Richard Yeomans

It was a pleasure to meet with Collingwood resident Richard Yeomans. We discussed his concerns with the state of the country and the negative impact that government decisions being made are having today, but more importantly for future generations.



Tour of Cronos facility in Clearview Township

Government Red Tape and regulations make it difficult for many businesses in Canada to operate and to keep up with foreign markets.

It was a great meeting and tour of Cronos, along with Mayor Doug Measures of Clearview Township. We discussed not only the challenges they have in general with the excise tax but also the additional restrictions the federal government has imposed with excise tax stamps differing from province to province putting additional labour costs and constraints on competition with foreign markets.

UPCOMING RIDING EVENTS

Sunnidale Winterama | February 6 to 8, 2026

Sunnidale Winterama, known as "the greatest little show on snow", is a winter-themed festival presented by Clearview Township and has celebrated winter activities since 1975 in the village of New Lowell.

The Winterama weekend this year is from **February 6th to 8th, 2026**. The Friends of the Winterama volunteers are continuing with the Snow Sculpture Photo Contest, Best Beard Growing Contest and the Poster/Colouring Sheet Contest.

Get your Buttons! The buttons, a popular collector item since 1975, will be on sale starting in January 2026. The cost is only \$2 per button. Email sunnidalewinterama@gmail.com to purchase buttons for your entire family! Buttons will also be available at Clearview Auto, Creemore Coffee Company, New Lowell Legion and all-weekend long! Click on the link [Sunnidale Winterama | Discover Clearview](#) for more details.



Snowman Mania | February 13 to 16, 2026

Snowman Mania is Wasaga Beach's annual winter festival, celebrated over Family Day weekend. For 21 years, this community event has brought together locals and visitors to enjoy a variety of winter activities, live entertainment, and family-friendly fun, all set in the beautiful winter landscape of Wasaga Beach.

Click on the link [SnowmanMania | Town of Wasaga Beach](#) for more details.

Join me on February 16th from 1:30-2:30pm as I host a family skate on Family Day. Come out and enjoy some laps around the rink and warm up at the end with a hot chocolate!



How we can help?

My offices in Angus and Collingwood 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. Regular office hours for both my Constituency offices are Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. We are located at 162 Mill Street, Unit 3, Angus and 503 Hume Street, Unit 4, Collingwood. You can call any time at 1-866-435-1809.



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