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Notes from the Biennial

The 2016 Biennial was an emotionally charged event as it was the first time Liberals from across the country were able to meet and share experiences and engage with a sitting Prime Minister since the **Liberal Party's majority** election victory.



It was an opportunity for all Liberal members to have a **direct influence** on what would become part of the official Liberal Party Policy as they voted on proposed policy.



Todd Ross attended as an **Indigenous Delegate from Toronto - Danforth** and noted that this Convention was the most inclusive to date by our party for Indigenous Peoples.

Minister Bennett signed a **historic agreement with the Manitoba Métis Federation** to correct historic wrongs and to work towards a compensation package for Manitoba Métis - one of the platform commitments during last year's election.

An example of what can happen at Biennial: two TDFLA delegates Rita and Kelly Lynne were walking down a hallway when all of a sudden Rita loudly (and I mean loudly!) gasped and stopped dead in her tracks. Kelly Lynne knew it wasn't anything that she had said so she looked over and **there was Stéphane Dion**, also stopped dead in his tracks in reaction to Rita's reaction.

Dion regained his composure; Rita regained hers (somewhat) and managed to introduce herself and exchange a few words. Dion's staffer asked Rita if she'd like a photo (yes!) After Dion had continued on his way, Rita explained how much she admired him and that this was a **rock star moment** for her. Kelly Lynne couldn't help but laugh - not at Rita but at her pure joy at getting to meet someone she admires so much.





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Greetings from our MP... Julie Dabrusin

It's hard to believe it has only been a year since nomination day in Toronto-Danforth! From the campaign trail, to Ottawa, and throughout the riding, I have been moved by the energy, commitment and hard work volunteers and community members bring to **make real change happen**.

Serving as your member in the House of Commons for this session has been amazing. I have been able to highlight local priorities - like the redevelopment of the Portlands and the unacceptable **reality of hunger faced** by many residents in our community.

My committee work in Ottawa began with the Special Joint Committee on Physician Assisted Death, which was a very intense and rewarding experience. Now I work every week on the Standing Committee on **Canadian Heritage** where I get to represent the interests of our thriving arts and culture community.



As much as my work in Ottawa is important, **the riding is my home** and the place the people I represent live.

Here at home, I have had the opportunity to connect with many of you at town halls on the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP), the budget, immigration policy, Syrian newcomers, and more are yet to come.

Every week, I look forward to meeting and reconnecting with residents at the many school fairs, farmers markets, cultural festivals and special events like Paddling the Don

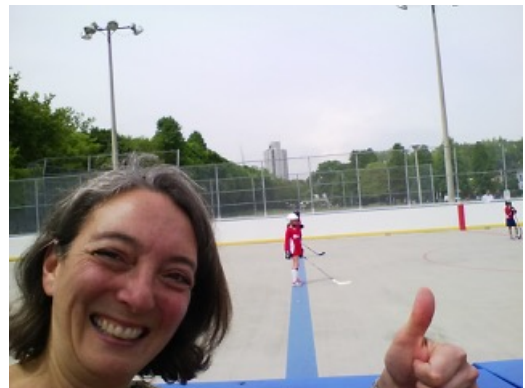
and Luminato which **make me so proud to live here**.

Finally, I want to **thank volunteers** from the Toronto Danforth Federal Liberal Association who have helped get us this far. We had really a great time at the National Liberal Party Convention, and the future is bright for our riding and our party.

I look forward to continuing the work with you to engage people in the democratic process. Together we are making real change happen in Toronto-Danforth.

You can follow my updates on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#),

[Instagram](#) and [Youtube](#). Reach out to me any time, and I look forward to seeing you soon.



Julie



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Message from the President...Lianne Doucet



Having recently attended the Liberal Party Biennial convention in Winnipeg, **I was reminded of why I belong to the Liberal Party.** I officially joined in 2012 to support the by-election campaign here in Toronto-Danforth, and stayed because I met and enjoyed spending time with many dedicated and enthusiastic members of my community. Also, attending various conventions has made me truly appreciate the level of commitment and collegiality that Liberals demonstrate all across Canada.

One of the main features of the 2016 Biennial was the presentation of a new Liberal Party constitution. In Toronto-Danforth, our executive held a special meeting to discuss the changes prior to heading to Winnipeg, and each of our delegates did their own research and voted their conscience. Some members from our riding **actively worked to affect change** during the convention, and amendments were presented that allowed for the vote to pass with a very strong majority rather than having a divided membership. It was truly democracy in action: grassroots activism and leadership that listened.

I was proud of our Toronto-Danforth delegation as we respected each other's positions on the issue despite having differences of opinion. We had an amazing team of people in Winnipeg, including our fabulous MP Julie Dabrusin. Veteran delegates and newcomers participated in shaping policy--

learning, collaborating and enjoying themselves—with over 2000 other Liberals from across the country.

I'm very excited about the year ahead. We have an excellent team of Directors who are planning activities, growing the membership, as well as actively fundraising to support our work in the community and the re-election of our MP.

Please enjoy reading about what we've been up to and what's in store in the future for Toronto-Danforth Liberals. Have a great summer and hope to see you around the neighbourhood.

Warm Regards, Lianne Doucet, President TDFLA president@tdfla.ca

Membership Update

Being a member of the Liberal Party of Canada has always been a way to show your support for the values for which the Liberal Party stands – Integrity, Dignity, Compassion, Responsibility, Reason.

With the adoption of the new Liberal Party of Canada Constitution members will now be referred to as registered Liberals and registering your support for the Party will be easier than ever with the **elimination of membership fees**. One more way that the Liberals are more inclusive of all Canadians. More information will be available soon on how these changes will affect you.

The Toronto-Danforth Federal Liberal Association invites you to join us as a registered Liberal in shaping the way those Liberal Values are demonstrated in the riding. **Our monthly meetings are open to all registered Liberals.** The dates and times of the meetings are posted on our website: <http://torontodanforth.liberal.ca/about-the-tdfla/meetings/>

If you would like to learn more about getting involved please contact us at: president@tdfla.ca.



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EVENTS

Celebrate Canada Day with Toronto-Danforth Liberals

Toronto-Danforth Federal and Provincial Liberals will once again participate in the **East York Canada Day Parade July 1st at 10am.**

Following the parade, we will have a booth at Stan Wadlow Park until 5pm. Stop by to get your face painted, make a custom button, or just to say hi and find out what the Toronto-Danforth Liberals are all about!

For more information on the event visit:

<http://www.eycdc.ca/>

Interested in marching with us in the parade? All are welcome! **Meet us in Dieppe Park starting at 9:30 am.** Look for the group with the Toronto-Danforth Liberal banner.

Want to **volunteer** at the Toronto-Danforth Liberal booth? Please visit:

<http://event.liberal.ca/en/event/61182/tdfla-east-york-canada-day-celebration>

or email info@tdfla.ca

March with Pride!

Join the Ontario Federal and Provincial Liberal associations as we march in the

Toronto Pride Parade July 3rd at 2pm.

You can register at:

<http://event.liberal.ca/en/event/61380/toronto-pride-parade-2016>

Interested in joining us for **brunch before the parade?** Email: info@tdfla.ca

For event and route info, visit:

<http://www.pridetoronto.com/pride-month/pride-parade/>



Bed Race Fundraiser

The Toronto-Danforth Federal and Provincial Liberals, together with Liberals from



Beaches-East York, will be participating in the **Michael Garron Hospital's 10th Annual Danforth Dash Bed Race** on Friday, August 5th. The Bed Race is the kickoff to the Taste of the Danforth. Come out and cheer on the Toronto East Liberals' team.



Small Business Forums

The Toronto-Danforth Federal and Provincial Liberals are planning the fourth in a series of non-partisan Small Business Forums, with a focus on making small businesses aware of available government services. Looking at all levels of government, Municipal, Provincial and Federal, the Forum will explore what your government can do for you.

The Forum is being planned for the Fall. More details to follow.

Stay Tuned

More information will be coming on other summer events such as **Pints and Politics**, **Pastries and Politics** and Sunday runs with our MP, Julie Dabrusin. Events will be posted on twitter, Facebook, and our website.


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FUNDRAISING

Thank-you



When you voted to elect a Liberal government last October, you, like Justin Trudeau and Julie Dabrusin, stood up to help other Canadians, who were looking for real change. **Your action gave Liberals a voice in Ottawa and we want to thank-you for making that possible.**

It inspires us that hundreds of Canadians have led the way by donating to help our party keep doing important work here locally.

Will you join us now, by making an ongoing commitment to the Victory Fund? Any amount you can afford, even \$5.00 a month makes a difference.



To donate now click here:

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By Phone: 1-888-LIBERAL (542-3725)
Our hours are 9 AM ET – 5 PM ET (weekdays/weekends)

Toronto-Danforth Young Liberals

Did you know that there is a group within the TDFLA that focuses on the needs and interests of younger Liberals?

Our president, Giulia Ilacqua, is an experienced Young Liberal who has also served as president of the Ryerson Young Liberals, and our vice-president Astrid Krizus has been a dedicated Liberal volunteer at provincial and federal levels in Toronto-Danforth.



If you or someone you know would like to join us, or if you are just interested in more information, we would love to connect with you!

Please send us an email at: Torontodanforthyl@gmail.com and we will get in touch.

We welcome all registered Liberals **aged 14-25** (inclusive), regardless of experience or time availability.

Not a registered Liberal yet? Not a problem. Send us an e-mail and we'll tell you how to join. There is no membership fee.

