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CALLING ALL SENIORS:

*** ARE YOU JOINING US FOR OUR ANNUAL TEA?**

FOR DETAILS & TO RSVP TO OUR JUNE 10 EVENT, PLS CONTACT US TODAY! ☺

*** SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT:
AB’s NEW & IMPROVED SENIORS’ DRUG PLAN ***

The revised plan is effective starting July 1, 2010. Seniors are NOT required to participate-: the plan is *optional*, & 3-month waiting period will apply to seniors if they decide to participate at a later date. The new plan ensures drug coverage is affordable & predictable, & supports those who need it most. ***The gov’t continues to pay about 80% of the costs of seniors’ drugs; & nearly 60% of seniors will either receive free prescription drugs, or pay less than they do today!***

No co-payment, no monthly premium: *A single senior with a taxable income of \$12,000 or less--& a senior family with a combined taxable income of \$24,000 or less--will receive free prescription drugs.*

Co-payment only: A single senior with a taxable income of \$12,001 to \$24,000--& a senior family with a combined taxable income of \$24,001 to \$48,000—will pay 20% of each prescription’s cost, up to a maximum of \$15.

Co-payment & monthly premium: A single senior with a taxable income of \$24,001 or more--& a senior family with a combined taxable income of \$48,001 or more—will pay the co-payment plus a monthly premium based on their taxable income.



Announcing the \$5 Million New Innovation Voucher System (Advanced Education & Technology Media Conference at SAIT); Emceeding the Launch of the New AB Parks Plan (Fish Creek Park) – see the full announcement on Global TV at www.daverodney.ca

Sparking Development of New Technology Products across AB:

I was honoured to announce an exciting new program that will assist almost 200 AB companies in gaining access to labs, fabrication centers, business development services, & other resources which are critical to the commercialization of their idea or product. These projects are in emerging growth sectors such as clean technology, health, biotechnology, & information/communications technology; & the vouchers can be used to cover up to 75 per cent of eligible costs. The response to the first round of applications was overwhelming, proving that AB has a wealth of talented groups with innovative ideas for new products & services. Businesses with great ideas for new products or services have another opportunity to apply for the program during the next round of applications, expected this fall.

For more information, please visit: www.technology.gov.ab.ca

Nuclear Survey: June 1 Deadline

The AB gov't created a Nuclear Power Expert Panel in 2008 to gather information & present their findings on nuclear energy; & their report was released in March 2009. It presents information to help provide a clear understanding of the nature of nuclear power generation & its relative risks & benefits, compared with alternatives; visit www.energy.alberta.ca for an interactive online workbook & survey. *By participating in the consultation, you can ensure the gov't considers your views as it develops its official position. The process will include meetings with stakeholders, discussion groups with randomly selected citizens across AB, & a public opinion survey.*

AB's New Plan for Parks--Balancing Access & Conservation:

It was a privilege to emcee the media conference for our 10 year blueprint, which is aligned with the AB Land-use Framework & emphasizes the need to identify & develop opportunities & policies for safe & responsible recreation in AB parks. To reduce impact on the land & ensure protection of the environment, the plan highlights the importance of science-based research, as well as regional & site specific management plans. The Plan is based on extensive consultations with Aboriginal communities, stakeholder organizations, park visitors, elected officials, gov't staff, & others. It will change the way our provincial parks are managed by inviting AB's to become more involved; & one priority action is to identify a clear process for AB's to nominate new parks.

For further information, please visit www.tpr.alberta.ca/parks/P4P

AB's New Campground Reservation Service is Now On-Line!

25 provincial campgrounds are now accepting online reservations at www.Reserve.AlbertaParks.ca In addition, an enhanced telephone reservation service is also available at the 25 online campgrounds. Campsite reservations at nearly 40 other provincial campgrounds are still available by phone (1-866-427-3582) or on-site drop in. Additional campgrounds will be added to AB's online campground reservation service in the coming years.

For the "LATEST & GREATEST" on CALGARY-LOUGHEED issues:

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