

Mayor's Communiqué

(June 2010)

My activities during the month of May were:

I attended the **73rd Annual FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) Conference** in Toronto for 4 days and also stopped in Ottawa to visit with our MP, Jim Abbott. A special highlight for me while in Ottawa was sitting in the Public North Gallery of our House of Parliament on May 27th to hear the address of Felipe Calderon, President of the United Mexican States.

The FCM Conference “keynote speakers” were Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Governor General Michaëlle Jean, Michael Ignatieff, Jack Layton, Paul Martin, Elizabeth May, and Mayor David Miller. In addition, I went on 3 Study Tours, visiting the Dufferin Transfer Station (producing BIO Energy from Wastes using Anaerobic Digestion), the Metro Toronto E311 facility and the Toronto Employment & Social Services Center, and the BIA (Business Improvement Area) of Bloor-Yorkville.

Other local highlights were our **69th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival**. This year's parade saw favourable weather and great community participation. Other events I attended were the **Opening Ceremonies at the PCSS Auditorium**, the **19th Yaqan Nukiy Pow Wow**, the **Regional Airport Awareness Day**, and the **Lions Children Parade**.

I want to hear from you:

Please share your concerns, your experiences, and your issues (both positive and negative) on how we can improve the quality of life in our community (the Town and the Creston Valley).

Thanks

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