

# city views

## The CBC is offended for you!

On behalf of all of our viewers, we here at the CBC are offended. We are angered and outraged. Irritated and infuriated. Our feelings have been hurt. By that, we mean your feelings have been hurt. We want blood!



*This is serious!* Did you hear about that Conservative website that had a cartoon puffin fly over Liberal leader Stephane Dion and poop on his shoulder? This is an outrage. How dare some punk kid in the campaign war room orchestrate such an evil plot. And did you hear about those evil Conservatives trying to block Green leader Elizabeth May from being in the televised debates? Yeah, the NDP opposed her too, but it's the Conservatives that led the conspiracy. Just because her party has never won a seat in Parliament? What a lame excuse. I can't wait for the revolution, when the greedy Conservatives and their corporate masters are taken down. And how about the Agriculture minister with the bad jokes? All Canadians should be shocked and appalled. How dare anyone use dark humour. How dare any Conservative use humour, period. Government is serious. Politics is serious. Anybody who is in government, or even votes must stop telling jokes right now. *Seriously!*

It's not just the Conservatives. Green Party leader Elizabeth May recently stood on a stage and apologized for having not smoked pot. Good. She should apologize. But we don't believe her apology. If she meant it, she would have lit up a doobie right there with the cameras rolling. That would show real sincerity. What about NDP leader Jack Layton? Two of his candidates in British Columbia recently resigned just because there was video of them doing drugs on the Internet. Imagine having to step out of the race just because of a video showing you smoking dope behind the wheel of a car? How else are activists supposed to conduct themselves? Are we supposed to stop all human progress just because one of these guys might have endangered the public a little bit? Layton is a sell out.

Now, about the Liberals. We at the CBC are offended. Stephane Dion has run a perfect campaign and he's still losing. It doesn't make any sense. It is offensive. It is against our human rights. *Seriously!*

Blame Garth Turner, you say? He staged a phoney photo-op. So what? Harper does it all the time. Especially those advertisements where he sits around in a blue sweater being... all nice. We know he's faking it. He's a monster. He has a hidden agenda. He wants to send us all back to the stone age. He wants to destroy the planet. He dodges campaign finance laws and uses stolen Inca gold to buy attack ads.

And he believes in Jesus, you know?

This is all that Liberal candidate was trying to point out when he compared Harper to Hitler in a mass e-mail. It wasn't meant to offend Jewish people. Jewish people, incidentally, would be much better off voting Liberal than Tory. Moses voted Liberal. It's a fact.

We at the CBC don't understand why comparing Harper to Hitler is such a big deal. This is a political campaign. Sometimes people get compared to Hitler. It happens. And so long as a puffin doesn't poop on anyone, all is fair. So a few eggs get broken. As long as they are western eggs and the right party (by that we mean the centre-left party) wins, it's no big deal, man.

Relax. Have some pot. *Seriously!*

### Your View

An on-line poll is posted on the City View website bi-monthly. To suggest a topic, email [editor@airdriecityview.com](mailto:editor@airdriecityview.com)

#### THE QUESTION:

Are you worried that drug-related violence in Calgary is spreading to Airdrie?

YES, IF IT HAPPENS THERE, IT WILL HAPPEN HERE!

**52%**

NO, AIRDRIE IS A SAFE, GANG-FREE PLACE!

**24%**

MAYBE, BUT I DON'T DO DRUGS SO IT WON'T AFFECT ME!

**24%**

- This poll was posted Sept. 19. Vote at [www.airdriecityview.com](http://www.airdriecityview.com)

## Vesta provides major donation

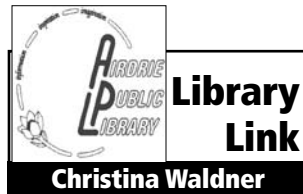


- Kyle Bosch Photo

Vesta presented \$50,000 to the Airdrie Regional Recreation Enhancement Society (ARRES) on Sept. 18. (Left to right) Alberta sales manager for Vesta Properties Brian Balson, Vesta marketing director Lynn Harrison, deputy mayor Marlene Weaver, president of Vesta Properties Kent Sillars, ARRES fundraising development manager Peter Brown, alderman Fred Burley, Alberta development manager for Vesta Chris Elkey and Vesta vice president Dennis Wiemken.

## Celebrate National Family Week Oct. 6-12

National Family Week has been celebrated annually since 1985 when it was proclaimed an official week by the Government of Canada. Taking place the week before Thanksgiving, traditionally a time for families to be together, it is celebrated across the country through a variety of programs and events. For more than 10 years, Family Service Canada co-ordinated National Family Week activities. At its invitation, The Canadian Association of Family Resource Programs (FRP) took the lead role in 2007. FRP is a non-profit organization that aims to help families by providing resources, national leadership and consultation to those who care for and support them.



This year, the theme for National Family Week is Strengthening Ties through Family Traditions. Today, family traditions play an important role in a society that is often fast-paced. Unlike in times past, family members are often located across the country or even the world, and family traditions are a way for individual families to stay connected despite geographic separation.

One way of developing your own sense of family and possibly finding out about some long-forgotten family traditions is by researching your roots. Genealogy is a fascinating hobby that encompasses many types of research. The library has access to a wide variety of resources so

you can get started on searching for your ancestors. And if you need some help, the Genealogy Group at APL meets every second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. The next meeting is on Oct. 20.

Also at the library, families are invited to come and celebrate National Family Week on Oct. 7 beginning at 7 p.m. Our Families Around the World program features stories, songs and refreshments for families with elementary school children. Come and join the fun!

All library programs are free and open to cardholders. Do you need to get or renew your family membership? Pop into the library. Family memberships are just \$25.

For more information about National Family week, including links to resources provided by other agencies, visit: [www.frp.ca](http://www.frp.ca)



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