

The **TORONTO PARTY**

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www.gettorontomoving.ca

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Volunteers are the backbone of every organization. In order to build a more effective official opposition to Mayor David Miller, we need your help on various party committees, such as:

**Membership
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The party is also seeking to create an Energy and Environment committee.

Interested volunteers can contact the party at torparty@yahoo.ca.

PARTY VOTES TO REPLACE GARDINER

On Sunday, February 25, 2007, members of The Toronto Party braved frigid temperatures to vote on transportation solutions, to discuss the need for new recreational facilities and to support a growing movement to bring political parties to City Hall before the next election.

The meeting approved a comprehensive balanced transportation plan developed under the leadership of **James Alcock**, an urban and transportation planner and founding member of the Citizen's Transportation Alliance of Toronto. The many features of this transportation plan include expanded public transit and bicycle trails, new expressways and the introduction of new technology (ITS-ETO) to maximize traffic flow. Another feature of the plan is a magnificent cable-stayed viaduct (or bridge) running above Toronto's existing downtown railway corridor. The viaduct would combine an expressway for private cars, lanes for a light rail transit system, and panoramic lanes for pedestrians and bicycle use.

Paul Henderson, a former Olympian and head of Toronto's 1996 Olympic bid, gave a spirited presentation on the lack of adequate sports and recreational facilities including the construction of an Olympic-sized swimming pool in Scarborough, redevelopment of crumbling pool facilities in Etobicoke, and development of sports and Olympic training facilities on federal lands at the old Downsview Army base.

John Eisan, chair of the party's economic development committee, provided a sweeping overview of Toronto's economy, which included an explanation of the barriers erected by government that has hampered business and job growth. A number of initiatives were presented for future discussion.

Our party is on the move. Please help us build a great city.

PLEASE JOIN THE TORONTO PARTY

The Toronto Party has Youth (14-25), Adult (26-65) and Senior (66 and over) annual memberships. Youth is \$2, Adult is \$10 and Senior is \$5.

To become a member, please mail your contact information, including phone number and e-mail address, and membership fee (cheques payable to The Toronto Party) to: **The Toronto Party, 1500 Islington Avenue, P.O. Box 60009, Toronto, Ontario, M9A 3L0** or e-mail us at torparty@yahoo.ca.