



# TILLY O'NEILL GORDON

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# E-Newsletter



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## HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

Dear Constituent,

It's already the end of the year and once again it passed so fast! So this is our last E-Newsletter for 2011 and we will be back in January with a new model.

During the month of November, for Veterans' week, I participated in several events and I was pleased to see that many people took part in these events to highlight our support for these heroes.

In the upcoming weeks, the House will finish its session and I will be back in the riding to take part in activities with residents and prepare for the celebration of the holiday season. I look forward to meeting as many people as possible.

The economic situation is improving for the riding of Miramichi. The Pay Roll Jobs under the direction of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) are beginning to materialize. As people have many questions about this, I am sharing with you this link where you can read a series of questions and answers that might help you. [Click here to view this site.](#)

Also, I am pleased to announce that soon you will receive in your mailbox a calendar for 2012 that I am pleased to offer once again this year. You'll find great photos of sports teams of our riding or photos of me in my duties as your Member of Parliament.

Lastly, I would like to take a minute to wish you all the best for 2012! Thank you for your support. Please be careful when you're travelling during the holiday season!

In closing, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us at 506-778-8448 or toll free at 1-800-567-5564 or by email at [tilly.oneillgordon@parl.gc.ca](mailto:tilly.oneillgordon@parl.gc.ca).

Yours sincerely,

*Tilly*

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### PHOTOS !

[Click here to see some photos of the Miramichi Area provided by Lynn Gregan, Miramichi Area Commissioner](#)



You can visit Tilly's web site at:  
[www.tillygordon.ca](http://www.tillygordon.ca)



## Government of Canada Supports the Preservation of Local History and Culture at Boishébert National Historic Site of Canada

### Parks Canada announces contribution for historical research at site

On behalf of the Honourable Peter Kent, Canada's Environment Minister and Minister responsible for Parks Canada, Ms. Tilly O'Neill-Gordon, Member of Parliament for Miramichi, today announced that the Government of Canada will be investing in historical research at Boishébert National Historic Site.

"Through Parks Canada's National Historic Sites Cost-Sharing Program, the Government of Canada will be contributing up to \$14,900 to assist with historical research on Wilson's Point," said Ms. O'Neill-Gordon. "Thanks to this project, the history of this site will be better understood and the state of commemorative integrity of the site will improve."

Wilson's Point, part of the Boishébert National Historic Site, is situated on the Miramichi River in New Brunswick and is a cultural landscape with archaeological evidence of an 18th century Acadian refugee camp. From 1756 to 1760, the Acadians, under the leadership of Charles Deschamps de Boishébert, sought refuge from deportation on Wilson's Point (then known as Camp d'Espérance) and Beaubears Island. Boishébert was designated a national historic site because of its connection to an important chapter of the Acadian experience in the Maritime Provinces. The area also has a strong Mi'kmaq connection and Wilson's Point in particular reflects subsequent Scottish settlement.

"One of our Government's major objectives is to inspire Canadians to develop strong and meaningful connections with Canada's national treasures," said Minister Kent. "Our national historic sites are vital to our history, our identity as Canadians, and our tourism industry. By investing in them and by building lasting relationships with the community groups that operate them, we ensure that they will continue to help support local economies and encourage more Canadians to explore and discover our national heritage."

"We are really excited to expand our historical knowledge of events that took place at Wilson's Point, which is an important part of the Boishébert National Historic Site," said Michael Mersereau, President of Friends of Beaubears Inc. "This will be the first phase of an eventual archaeological research project that will increase our visitors' connection to and understanding of this important moment in Canadian history."

The Cost-Sharing Program reflects Parks Canada's dedication to protect Canada's heritage through funding towards the conservation of our national historic sites. In this centennial year, Parks Canada is pleased to continue its efforts to ensure that Canada's historic and natural heritage is protected for the enjoyment, education and appreciation of all Canadians, today and in the future.

For additional information, please see the accompanying backgrounder at [www.parkscanada.gc.ca](http://www.parkscanada.gc.ca) under **Media Room**.

*Interested in having your Member of Parliament attend an event in the riding?*

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