



Monarchy Matters

NEWSLETTER

South Saskatchewan Branch Monarchist League of Canada

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As I prepare this message we are two weeks away from Christmas. This Christian Festival reminds us that Jesus Christ is known as *The Prince of Peace*, and it is salutary that we keep that in mind as we witness what is taking place in some areas of the world. As a nation, and as individuals, we need to model our lives on the example which God sets before us. God reveals himself not only through the Christian Faith but also through other world religions. In some countries monarchy is sometimes held captive to the political trends which surround it. We are blessed with a form of constitutional monarchy which has stood the test of time and still has much to offer us in this first decade of the 21st century. Once again Her Majesty The Queen will address us on Christmas Day with her annual message sent to the countries which form part of the Commonwealth of Nations. May this year's message continue to offer hope to a troubled world and within our nation of Canada.

2006 will see the end of the term of office of our present Lt. Governor. Her Honour has responded warmly to the wish of the Branch to hold a "Farewell & Thank You Event". Because the date and time will be subject to announcements from Ottawa we will have to let you know when final arrangements are made. In the meanwhile let us look forward to the selection of someone who can continue the excellent services which Dr. Haverstock has given during her five years in office. As an organisation we pledge our full support to whoever that may be.

The programme for 2006 has now been finalised and will be found elsewhere in this Newsletter. You are encouraged to note the dates on your **calendars and in your diaries** now so that you can come along and participate. I also encourage you to view our branch website (monarchy.sasktelwebsite.net) which is an excellent production under the care of Scott Hazelwood. New technologies enable us to communicate to a wider public in meaningful ways.

The Annual Meeting is set for **Friday, 27th January**. This year I plan to step aside as Chairman after nine years in that office, and this means that we are seeking someone who would be willing to serve in that capacity. Please let me know if you would consider taking on this task on behalf of our Branch. I promise to assist whoever is elected as much as possible.

As 2005 winds down I take this opportunity to wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Branch Chairman

