

# FROM THE CELLAR

Updates from the Office of the Third Party



## OVERVIEW:

- Events
- Update from the MLAs
- Q & A
- Spring sitting ends

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Legislature - Week 10

The OTP Newsletter will be published monthly during the summer months.

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## UPDATE FROM PETER BEVAN-BAKER

Highlights in the legislature this week:  
Motion 73 Seeking Improved Governance  
Debate on Bill 38

[CLICK HERE](#) Motion 73 part 1

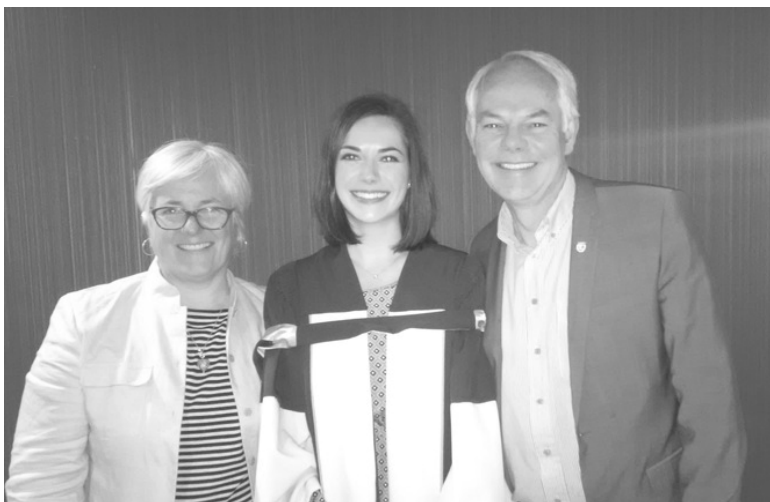
[CLICK HERE](#) Motion 73 part 2



This map includes some useful information about PEI road construction, incident reports and other issues. Good source for road conditions heading into the summer months.

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Anne and I could not be more proud of our daughter, Kate Bevan-Baker who recently earned her PhD from Concordia University.

## UPDATE FROM HANNAH BELL

View my Members' Statement congratulating Leader of the Green party in Ontario, Mike Schreiner on his win in the recent provincial election

### MEMBERS' STATEMENT



Photo: standing - Darlene Compton, Pat Mella, Libby Hubley, Kathleean Casey, Hannah Bell, Tine Munday. Sitting - Paula Biggar, Her Honour Antoinette Perry, Catherine Callbeck, Marion Reid, Nancy Guptill

*Thank you to her Honour, Antoinette Perry for inviting me to a celebration of PEI's 'fabulous five'.*

## Q & A

Q: What do MLAs do during the summer months?

A: MLAs are very busy during the summer months attending to a variety of duties.

Most people are aware of and have heard of the proverbial 'strawberry social' scene, and in reality it's completely true. MLAs make their way around their districts attending park socials with constituents, attending tournaments and participating in fundraising events. It is an opportunity for MLAs to spend time taking part in outdoor activities with their constituents and connecting with people more regularly.

MLAs also spend time in their offices doing typical office work, answering emails and helping people with their concerns and issues.

There are some learning opportunities for MLAs as well and

some MLAs will attend parliamentary conferences in the various regions in Canada. They will attend workshops and participate on panels on a variety of topics concerning their jobs as MLAs. They may choose to organize public consultations and travel to different parts of the Island to gain a better sense of what Islanders think on certain issues. This usually depends on their strategies for upcoming sittings.

MLAs engage their team do to research on ideas for bills and motions for the upcoming Fall sitting and they may use the public consultation process as a benchmark and starting point for their strategies.

The summer months provide MLAs with the chance to take part in events and activities that enhance their role as a representative in their district.

## HOLDING GOVERNMENT TO ACCOUNT

OTP would like to thank all those who called, emailed and met with us during the past few months. We truly value our interactions with Islanders. Researching issues and concerns across government departments and inside community organizations is a huge part of what we do to both hold government to account and to help shape and influence policy and legislation. We worked hard on a variety of bills, motions, questions to government and responses to statements: finance reform; social services - security and dignity; health in all policies; ostomy supplies; measuring the economy, to name a few.

As many are aware we also focused a lot of our resources on debating and amending Bill 38 - Electoral System Referendum Act. During the debate, OTP called on government many times to pull the bill and consult with the public before moving forward. Government was not interested and the bill passed with over 25 amendments.

## THE OFFICE OF THE THIRD PARTY WANTS TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK.

### SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK

Q: Would you like to have Peter and/or Hannah attend an event in your district this summer?

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EVENT](#)

Please get in touch if you have any road issues.

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