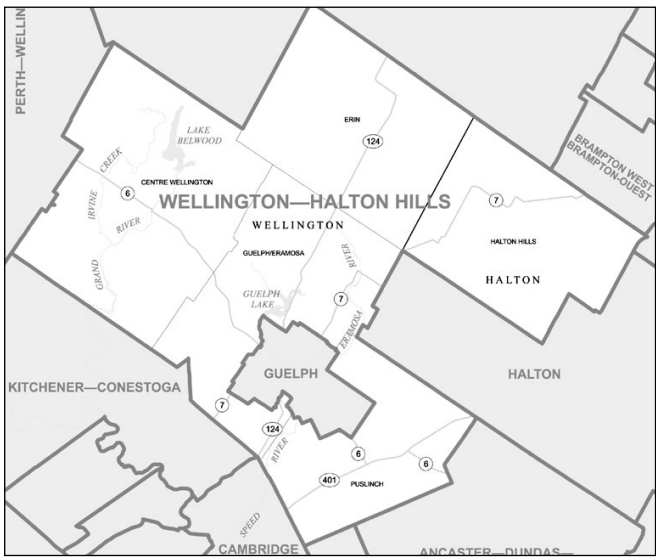
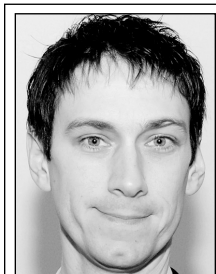


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Wellington-Halton riding fast facts

- Area— 1,584 km
- Population— 100,555
- Number of electors on list— 76,172
- Election results June 28, 2004
 - 21,479 (42.8 %) Conservative (Michael Chong)
 - 19,173 (38.2 %) Liberal (Bruce Hood)
 - 5,974 (11.9 %) NDP (Noel Duignan)
 - 2,725 (5.4%) Green Party (Brent Bouteiller)
 - 826 (1.6%) Christian Heritage Party (Pat Woode)



Age: 38
Personal: Married to Eliza with two children
Resides: Fergus
Occupation: Transportation engineer/hobby shop owner

Past political experience: Ran unsuccessfully as Waterloo-Wellington Green Party candidate in 1999 provincial, and 2000 and 2004 federal elections. Also ran unsuccessfully for local council seat in Centre Wellington 2003 municipal election.

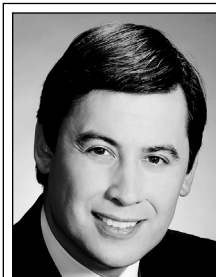
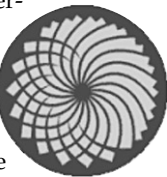
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•“I want to get the message of the Green Party out there and keep people thinking about new and better ideas.”

• “We’re hearing comments about everything. Some of our local people in this area are complaining about commuting and transit and lack of alternatives from this area, some people have talked about daycare, farming has been a really good issue, urban sprawl, which of course is a local issue. There is not one particular issue...”

•“Our party leader (Jim Harris) is really good. There were a lot of false allegations going on, I support Jim Harris. He’s done a wonderful job.”

•“When you have situations like this (a minority government) you have to work hard. It’s a give and take...You can’t get everything you want in that case, and you have to admit that. That’s the type of thing we will be good at, we’re negotiators.”



Age: 34
Personal: Married to Carrie; one son
Resides: Nickel Township, outside of Fergus
Occupation: Wellington-Halton Hills MP, previous information technology advisor at Pearson Airport
Past political experience: Unsuccessful federal PC candidate in Waterloo-Wellington 2000, elected Wellington-Halton Hills MPP 2004

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•“I don’t feel I’ve been in the job long enough to have made a significant difference, but I feel I’m on

my way to doing a number of things.”

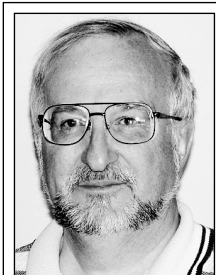
•“I don’t know if people are more cynical. I think they’re upset with what’s gone on in Ottawa.”

•“I think the way the GTA has grown over the last 30 years has been completely economically and environmentally unsustainable. We’ve got to change that.”

•“I think (party leader Stephen Harper) has matured as a political leader... I think he’s just the tonic the country needs.”

•“The real threat to national unity is the re-election of a Liberal government.”

•“If we do form a minority government three things will happen. First, western alienation will be completely addressed. (Secondly) Quebecers will realize they have another option, a federalist option, not tainted by sponsorship scandal. (Thirdly) our party will pour all of our resources as a party into Quebec into rebuilding the party in that province for the subsequent election.”



Age: 57
Personal: Separated; four boys
Resides: Georgetown
Occupation: Real estate consultant/mediator
Past political experience: MPP for Halton North from 1990 to 1995, unsuccessful federal NDP candidate in Wellington-Halton Hills in 2004

Quote, unquote

•“Scandals have got deeper, health issues, environment issues, unity issues, you name it they’re still there unsolved.”

•“People are mad at politicians in general, it doesn’t make any difference what particular stripe.”

•“People like a Liberal government, but not necessarily the Liberal party.”

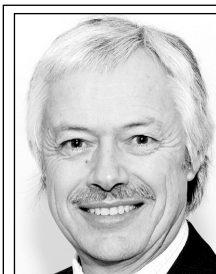
•“I’m not happy with the way this riding’s laid out, whatsoever. You can go from the corner of Winston Churchill Blvd. and the 401 all the way to the city limits of Cambridge. In another direction you go up and beyond Elora. I would have preferred to have seen (Halton Hills) with the rest of Halton.”

•“Of the three party leaders Jack Layton is the

most honest and direct. He’s got nothing to hide.”

•“The main issue appears to be... healthcare... around here there are pockets where the environment is fairly big...some of the scandal-related issues out of Ottawa...the whole issue that’s come up a couple of times is we need to change how we do politics in Canada.”

•“I think it (representation by population) is the most fair way. The majority of democratic countries in the world, that’s the way they’ve gone.”



Age: 58
Personal: Married to Kersti with four children
Occupation: Mayor of Erin since 2000/land surveyor owns JR Finnie Ontario Land Surveyor
Resides: Erin
Past political experience: Elected Erin Mayor 2000; elected Erin deputy mayor 1997.

Quote, unquote

•“I think it’s likely to be a minority government, but I have concerns...if the Conservatives get in there are people in the Conservative party particularly out

west who are very pro-Alberta. I’m not saying they’re anti-Canada but if the Conservatives do form the government...it’s more likely they would align with the Bloc Quebecois. If you have people in Alberta who are strong believers in provincial rights and people in the Bloc who are pro-Quebec...even if there was no real movement to break up Canada, they would be working at increasing provincial rights, which would weaken the federation...”

•“I’m very comfortable with the Liberal philosophy... you never get a 100 per cent complete fit, but as

a general rule I like the policies they advocate.”

•“There are people who say I don’t want to vote for any of them (politicians)...Whenever you have large organizations like the government that has a lot of money flowing through it you’re going to find people interested in getting some of it to stick to their fingers...I can understand why people do get cynical, but that’s exactly the wrong response. When you see something happening you don’t like, you have to try and fix it...”



Age: 50
Personal: Married with two grown children
Resides: Rockwood
Occupation: Industrial health and safety consultant
Past political experience: None

Quote, unquote

•“Christian Heritage Party is a party where the leader, Ron Gray, supports the same platform that I do, so I would not be in conflict with my whole party when I seek to represent people in govern-

ment.”

•“I believe CHP is made up of every day people who are trying to make this a better place to live for families, children and you.”

•“One of my favourite songs is *One Little Candle* and I truly believe if every citizen would just light one little candle, or would just contribute to society by doing a little bit voluntarily to make Canada a better place to live, we would have a better country, municipality, etc.”

•“Young families need support like the CHP pro-

posed \$1,000 per month tax incentive which would help to give the parent who wants to stay home a tax break.”

•“The World Health Organization has reported that there is a 20 per cent increase in HIV in Canada or 58,000 people with HIV in Canada. Homosexual sex accounted for the majority of new cases at 45 per cent...If we want a viable health care system we need to address prevention. Promoting homosexuality in our society will not decrease HIV cases.”



Age: 21
Personal: Single
Resides: Fergus
Occupation: Part-time grocery store employee
Past political experience: None

Quote, unquote

“If a political party is paying the campaign expenses of a candidate and that candidate is successful in their quest, what if the party has some sort of an agenda to forward and they’re paying the expenses of the candidate? At some point you have

to dance with who brought you. Running as an independent I am only accountable to myself and the people of the riding.”

•“The number one concern I’ve been hearing is healthcare. A close second is a lot of people want lower taxes. I’m also hearing a lot about accountability in government, promise keeping.”

•“I promised myself a year-and-a-half ago that I was going to run. And that’s a promise I’m keeping.”

•“All I’m doing in this race is I’m making myself available. I am an option.”

•“What I’m doing is part campaigning and part surveying. I call it ‘camveying’. Instead of trying to sell the people a platform and tell them this is why you should vote for me, when I go to the doors I’m taking notes, I’m listening to the people. So that if I’m elected I already have a head start, as to the message, as to the platform I’m taking to Ottawa with me.”

•“The area has a tendency to vote in a youthful way.”

