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SPECIAL INVITATION TO THE CAFP VICTORIA REGIONAL MEETING

September 24 – 25, 2017



All former parliamentarians and their guests are invited to this year's CAFP Regional Meeting, which will take place in Victoria, B.C. from Sunday, September 24 to Monday, September 25, 2017. This is an opportunity to experience some of the exciting developments in this province at a perfect time of year.

Located on the southern most tip of Vancouver Island, and the capital of British Columbia, Victoria is a beautiful and historic city with much to see and do. Thanks to the local organizing committee made up of the Hon. Tony Abbott, the Hon David Anderson, the Hon Judd Buchanan, the Hon Mary Collins and Lynn Hunter for putting a great program together.

Our program begins at 2:00 pm on Sunday afternoon at the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia where we will hold our official welcome, business meeting, and hear from guest speakers. (Details to be finalized) That evening from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm we will enjoy a reception at the home of David and Sandra Anderson. Taxi's and car-pooling will be arranged.

The next morning, Monday, September 25th, guests are invited to join us for a bus trip and tour of the National Historic Site, [Hatley Castle](#), at [Royal Roads University](#). While there, we will also be treated to an informative panel presentation followed by lunch. The bus will depart from the Hotel Grand Pacific at 9:15 am and return at 2:00 pm.



That afternoon, at your leisure, you can explore Victoria by taking a walking tour of historic Chinatown, getting out on the water for a cruise or visiting one of the many museums such as [the Royal BC Museum](#), [the Robert Bateman Centre](#) or [Emily Carr House](#).



From 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm we will enjoy a reception and light buffet at [Government House](#). Her Honour, Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor will welcome and join us.

[Hotel Options in Victoria](#)

For those needing overnight accommodations, a favourable rate (based on availability) has been secured with both the [Hotel Grand Pacific](#) and the [Union Club of British Columbia](#).

[Hotel Grand Pacific – \\$185.00 \(plus tax\).](#)

463 Belleville Street, Victoria (located beside the Legislature)

- In order to qualify for the special rate, you must ask for the SEP17PARLIAMENTARIAN rate.
- Please contact the hotel directly at:
 - Toll free: 1-800-663-7550 / Direct: (250) 386-0450
 - Email: reserve@hotelgrandpacific.com

[The Union Club of British Columbia, 805 Gordon Street, Victoria](#)

- Queen \$189, Twin or King \$219, King Suite \$269 and Harbour Suite \$289 (plus tax)
- Includes a full breakfast
- In order to qualify for the special rate, you must ask for the special Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians
- Please contact the Union Club directly at:1-800-808-2218 (ext. 0) or by email at reservations@unionclub.com

Registration fees for the Regional Meeting are \$125.00 per person and applies for spouses and guests. It includes ground transportation in Victoria, along with receptions, lunch and buffet on Monday. **Please be advised that former Parliamentarians must have paid their 2017-18 membership fees to participate.** You may pay your membership dues online at www.exparl.ca or by sending us a cheque payable to CAFP or by calling our office 1-888-567-4764.

If you are looking for information to extend your stay, you can consult websites such as www.tourismvictoria.com or www.hellobc/victoria.com.

If you wish to attend this year's regional meeting, please advise the CAFP office as soon as possible. To register, please complete and return the enclosed response form or register online at www.exparl.ca . You may also call our office at 1-888-567-4764 or email us at exparl@parl.gc.ca, if you have questions or encounter difficulties.

I hope to see many of you in Victoria.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Mitchell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and "M".

Hon. Andy Mitchell
President