



## A Message from **Michelle Simson, M.P.** Scarborough Southwest



### **Planning a trip to or through the United States**

In January 2007, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) launched the first phase of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI), which will change how Canadians travel to and through the United States.

These changes relate to the types of identification that Canadians are required to carry when they travel and can affect their entry into the United States or re-entry into Canada.

### **Ensuring Your Family is Prepared**



- **Land and sea travel –** Canadians must hold a government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's licence AND a birth certificate or a citizenship card; OR a valid passport. Youth under 18 years of age must have a birth certificate.
- **Air travel –** Canadians must hold a valid Canadian passport or a NEXUS card.

After June 1, 2009, the WHTI plans on requiring Canadians to hold a passport to enter the United States for land and sea travel. Your Canadian passport is the best document to prove your Canadian citizenship and your right to return to Canada.

**Apply for your passport today to ensure you have it when you need it. Remember, the passport is the recommended travel and identification document for all Canadian travelers.**



You are cordially invited to attend a complimentary  
brunch to celebrate

**International Women's Day**

Hosted by

**Michelle Simson, M.P.**

Scarborough Southwest

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Special guest speaker

**Hon. Kathleen Wynne,**

Minister of Education

Date: Sunday, March 8th 2009

Time: 10:30 AM

Location: Second Base Youth Shelter

702 Kennedy Road, Scarborough

(South of Eglinton)

**Admissions by RSVP only, please contact:**

**Tel: 416.261.8613**

You and your family are cordially  
invited to attend

***Michelle Simson MP's  
Family Ice Skate***

Please bring your skates, helmets, dress  
warmly, and be prepared for a lot of fun  
for the whole family.

Date: Wednesday, March 18th 2009

Time: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location: Scarborough Arena Gardens  
75 Birchmount Road (at Kingston Road)



Students looking for volunteer hours in the community:

<http://michellesimsonmp.ca/volunteer.php>