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### Full steam ahead, Ed

It seems Premier Ed Stelmach is losing some of the younger members of his fan base.

And since we're always keen to support the underdog, below are a few suggestions to help Steady Eddie win back the favour of that pesky outgoing executive committee of the Progressive Conservative Youth Wing. The cool kids who claim that Ed's got his crew on a slow and steady death march back to the farm.

So, Mr. Premier, let's brainstorm.

1. Hit the town. I'm not talking about sporting your Wranglers for a ride on the electric bull at Cowboy's, but a quick appearance at one of Calgary's hippest joints like Mynt or Wild Ginger wouldn't hurt. Utter the words 'Asian Fusion' afterwards and your approval rating will hit the roof.

2. You might consider taking the whole cabinet for a group haircut. Careful of course to avoid the fauxhawk. It's become a little passe. But collective buzz-cuts would likely scurry up some young fans. It seems to work for Justin Timberlake.

For the ministers on the team who insist on keeping it a little longer, a shaggy mop top a la John Mayer could do the trick, but remind them that this do requires a little more upkeep. These are just some suggestions. Let's start there and leave the cabinet's facial hair fiasco alone until next week.

3. Most importantly: Get yourself a Facebook account. It's a shoo-in with the younger audience, who, after all,



LINDSAY LOHAN

Get Facebook account for gossip



JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE

Ministers should get this 'do ...



JOHN MAYER

...but this will work, too.

going to know how you handled the news of Lindsay Lohan's recent DUI. But if commentary on young Hollywood is an overwhelming starting point, no problem.

You could kick off your Facebook profile by weighing in on the season's latest and greatest fishing gear.

Whichever route you choose, Mr. Stelmach, the youth of this province will no doubt be recaptured for at least 10 minutes.

### AARC receiving incredible support

Some 1,000 guests will be on hand at the Hyatt Regency tomorrow night for an evening of miracles.

The Alberta Adolescent Recovery Centre will be hosting their 10th annual Gala Benefit Dinner and Silent Auction, titled Fifteen Years of Miracles. Hilarious host Danny Hooper will treat guests to a full evening that will include a reception, silent auction and gourmet dinner.

Calgarian Mike Jubb is a successful graduate of the centre, and remains an ongoing

supporter of AARC's adolescent treatment program.

Amid a busy workday and a trip through the drive-through for a double-double, Mike had a few words for Page Six from his cellphone.

"No one needing to send their adolescent through AARC's addiction treatment program is turned away because they are unable to pay the full cost."

Although the centre is funded through user fees, private and corporate donations and government grants, fund-raisers are a very important aspect in allowing the treatment centre to operate with such a high level of success.

"Obviously, the centre changed my life for the better," says Jubb. "I think anyone who has experienced substance abuse or watched a family member deal with drug and alcohol addiction and come out the other side can appreciate the benefits of donating to a place like AARC. Especially at a time when we are seeing drug use on Calgary streets rising everyday."

AARC is the only program of its kind in Canada in its long-

term, integrated family treatment method. With the help of such generous corporate as the Remington Development Corporation, AARC has been helping Alberta youth get off the streets and back into healthy lives for more than 15 years.

### 140 km/h thrill ride ... C-Train not included

All this talk about transit strikes makes me think we should just skip work altogether Friday. Strike. No strike. Half-day strike. It all sounds like a good reason to hit the patio earlier than planned.

If that's not going to fly with the boss, how about this: Canada Olympic Park is throwing a party on Friday from 4-8 p.m., and without guaranteed public transport, you will need to start walking toward the park around 10 a.m. to make it there in time.

The reason for the bash? Well, just when you thought

global warming was going to render the ski jumps useless, the clever folks at COP have built the 'Skyline' zip-line, touted as the fastest of its kind in North America, and running from the top of the Olympic Ski Jump Tower to the base of the hill.

Friday's launch party will include a barbecue, face painting, music, and some zip-lining for the brave. Be aware this is a bring-your-own-diaper event.

For more, go to [www.canadaolympicpark.ca](http://www.canadaolympicpark.ca)

### House of canned beans

Stay tuned to Page Six for the coolest home building project this city has seen. One that involves the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank, enough non-perishable food to fill a shopping mall, and the great people at Elite Homes giving back to their community. More details coming your way in June... [www.elitehomes.com](http://www.elitehomes.com)

### Way to go, Marko

Congratulations to Michael Markowsky, the Calgary-born artist and teacher who received the prestigious 'Power of Art' award from the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, D.C. Markowsky is a grad of the Alberta College of Art and Design, and resides in Los Angeles, where he does a great job of impressing those Yanks.

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