

Grandmothers 4 Grandmothers Regina

Newsletter

January 2017



HAPPY NEW YEAR and welcome to an exciting 2017 for G4G Regina!

Last spring we surveyed the group at a monthly meeting for input on event planning for 2016-2017. The consensus was to have four major fundraisers this year. Two were held very successfully in the fall, with **\$25,000.00** being raised by our 4th annual Art from the Attic, and another **\$8,000.00** at Scrabble for Africa. Add in rehearsals and performance of our flash mob, and that amounts to a whole lot of work, a whole lot of fun, and an impressive amount of money being raised. The second half of our year promises to be no less exciting, with two more major fundraisers, both with different “looks” than the last time.

The **Fabric and Yarn** sale will see fabric being collected over the course of only a few weeks, and in one location, before the sale on March 25th.

On May 13th, our new signature fundraiser, **Swing into Spring**, will revolve around a two-part concert by Saskatoon singing dynamos Rosie & the Riveters, with cocktails and appetizers beforehand and dessert and coffee during the intermission. Of course there will be a silent auction and another fun fundraiser involving wine!

This amounts to another six months of work and friendship and very important fundraising for the African grandmothers who continue to amaze us with what they are able to accomplish. If you are not yet involved with the preparation for either of these two events, and would like to be, we can find a spot for you!

As we wind up our three year term as co-chairs of G4G Regina, we look forward to sharing the challenge and the excitement of the months ahead with all of you.

Mary and Susan

EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

JANUARY

16 – G4G Meeting

FEBRUARY

21 – G4G Meeting

MARCH

21 – G4G Meeting

25 – Fabric & Yarn Sale

APRIL

18 – G4G Meeting

MAY

13 – Spring Gala

18 – G4G Meeting

JUNE

20 – G4G Meeting

JULY

No meeting

AUGUST

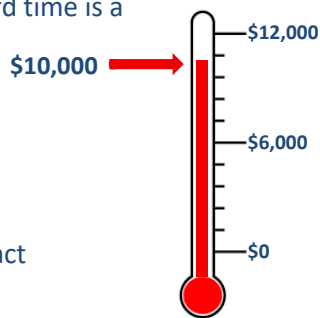
15 – G4G Meeting

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We fundraise for the Stephen Lewis Foundation to support African grandmothers who are raising a generation of children orphaned by AIDS.

SPONSORSHIP

Since November's onset of the campaign, \$10,000 has been pledged, surpassing last year's total of \$9,100. "The third time is a charm" when it comes to Investors Group, who, upon this third year of outreach ("keep us on your contact list") decided to contribute \$2,500 towards sponsorship of the spring gala. Thank you, Sheila Fahlman, for the referral! **Any other referrals?** Please contact Gail at 306-761-2304 or support@imgCommunicationSpecialist.com.



SWING INTO SPRING WITH ROSIE & THE RIVETERS

This year our signature event will feature entertainment by Rosie & the Riveters, a vintage-folk female group from Saskatoon. Seating will be in festival style and a delicious assortment of appetizers will be available. Tickets price will increase this year (a final decision on price to be made on February 1st.) Tickets will be available online through Picatic, as well as in the traditional way. Our fundraising will also include a Wall of Wine and a Silent Auction. We are very excited about this event – an opportunity to provide an entertaining evening of food, friends, and music and to further share the message of the work done by the Grandmothers Campaign for the Grandmothers of Africa.



MEMBERSHIP

A huge vote of thanks to Arlene Frolick for the wonderful album of memories from our first 10 years!

If you'd like to see this treasure, just contact Arlene to make arrangements. arlenelois21@gmail.com



Grandmothers 4 Grandmothers Regina

www.grandmothers4grandmothersregina.com; g4gregina@sasktel.net

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mary Wallace and Susan Whittick, Co-chairs
Danni Boyd, Secretary
Marion Tudor and Jan Stirr, Co-Treasurers
Susan Holmes, Communication (susan.holmes@sasktel.net)
Sheila Fahlman, Education (sfahlman@sasktel.net)
Linda Mann, Membership (linda.mann@sasktel.net)
Nancy Thue, Merchandise (ljnmt hue@gmail.com)
Gail Greenberg, Sponsorship (support@imgcommunicationspecialist.com)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Communication

Susan Holmes, Chair
Nola Ayers
Janet Bailey
Sheila Fahlman
Cathy Kirby-Tapp
Jane Newton
Violet Smotra-Cook

Education

Sheila Fahlman, Chair
Catherine Arthur-MacDonald
Sheila McKague
Mavis Olesen
Lorraine Scott
Bev Zizzy

Membership

Linda Mann, Chair
Ethia Brown
Sharon David
Arlene Frolick
Laureen Graham
Barb Quine
Nancy Thue

Merchandise

Chair - vacant
Judy Cormier
Els Wilms

Sponsorship

Gail Greenberg, Chair
Danni Boyd
Bette Craig
Barb Quine

January 2017 Newsletter

FLASH MOB MEMORIES – December 1, 2016 World AIDS DAY



Practice session with Kaitlyn Semple



Final practice in the Multi-purpose Room



On with the show, this was it!

RESOURCES

Stephen Lewis spoke to graduands at the University of Alberta, where he was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws in November, 2016.

www.ualberta.ca/news-and-events/newsarticles/2016/november/stephen-lewis-honorary-doctor-of-laws

Watch this interview with Ida Nambeya-Mukuka and Jo-Anne Page. It will make you proud to be part of this movement!

<http://www.ctv.ca/YourMorning/Video/These-grandmothers-are-helping-change-lives-of-children-orphaned-by-AIDS-vid965766>

Stephen Lewis on World AIDS Day 2016

<http://www.ctvnews.ca/health/lisa-laflamme-talks-to-stephen-lewis-on-world-aids-day-5-things-we-learned-1.3186152>

Grandmothers 4 Grandmothers Regina

www.grandmothers4grandmothersregina.com; g4gregina@sasktel.net

January 2017 Newsletter