

Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CAB MN) holds its Annual Silent Auction Fundraiser

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This Saturday evening, Feb. 23, the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre will hold its 5th Annual Silent Auction fundraiser in Mansonville. The evening will begin with a Chili Supper at 5:30 p.m. being put on by the Ken Jones Committee. The auction will follow the supper at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at \$15 for adults, \$7 for youth (7-9 years) and 5 and under are free. This BYOB (bring your own beverages) event is being held in the basement of the Mansonville Catholic Church.

"We are hoping to have a minimum of 125 people at the supper," said Murielle Parkes, a member of the Ken Jones committee. "Tickets are still available by calling the CAB MN at 450-292-3114 or the Youth Centre at 450-292-4886."

The Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CAB MN) is a non-profit community organization partly financed and recognized by the Agence de santé et services sociaux de l'Estrie (regional health board) as a partner in the health and social services network.

The mission statement is "An improved quality of life." The aim of the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre is to attend to issues concerning health, social services, protection, education, and other quality-of-life issues for all but especially for the marginalized and youth.

The CAB MN works in close cooperation with the local health network. The volunteer centre offers more than 30 health and social services to the wider community, including youth, seniors, those with disabilities and the marginalized. Service extends to the western region of the MRC Memphrémagog; governance is by a volunteer board of directors.

With over 100 items (totaling over \$5,000) for the silent auction and the addition of some live items to be auctioned throughout the evening, the event is sure to be a fun and exciting one for all.

"The event gets better every year," said CAB MN Executive Director, Alison Hannan. "Admission to the auction is free of charge so, people who are unable to at-



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Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre staff member Nancy McClure poses with just some of the many items up for bid at the Auction Fundraiser this Saturday night.

tend the meal, are welcome to join us at 7 p.m. for the auction portion of the evening."

The "live" auction features two live items every half hour including the big finale; dinner, accommodations and breakfast for two at the Horizon Hotel in Sutton combined with two-one day ski passes to Ski Mont Sutton all in one live auction package (over a \$300 value)!

Silent Auction items include every-

thing from a Carrefour des campeurs four hour kayak excursion for four adults on the Missisquoi North River to a certificate for Salon Boucle D'or worth \$40 for a hair cut and hair care products or Percy Thorpe's world famous carrot cake... If you have an item to donate or if you would like more information about the CAB Silent Auction fundraiser or Ken Jones Chili supper, contact the CAB MN office at 450-292-3114