Haunting success for Halloween fundraiser

On Saturday evening, October 26 the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) held its Annual Halloween party fundraiser at the Mansontville Town Hall. Close to 100 witches, ghosts, ghouls and goblins came out in support of the many programs offered by the CABMN.

The CABMN staff team as well as volunteers including Jason Ball (Municipal Councillor), Patricia Lachance and Brenda Clark (CABMN President) who did the set up and decorated for the event, DJ Jerk (Jeremy Eldridge) who provided the music as a donation in support of the organisation and a host of others assisted in take down, food preparation and more...making the evening a memorable success for all who attended to enjoy. DJ Jerk kept folks on the dance floor from start to finish and at party’s end at 12:15am, reluctantly, the crowd left making time for clean-up.

Refreshment provided by a number of CABMN volunteers and friends were plentiful and appreciated. CAB staff members and volunteer, Laurette Rouleau organised the abundant spread. The on-site bar was a highlight as many purchased drinks and visited with the bartenders who did a fantastic job giving their time in support of the evening. Tips were generous including three bones from the cavemen who were in attendance.

Costume prizes were awarded to the three best costumes as chosen by secret guest judges and there was an added “Director’s Choice” prize given to a fortune teller who came to the party inside a fortune telling booth complete with a lit up crystal ball! The prizes for the costumes were donated by Garage Jauniaux and Jauniaux, Bistro Chouette and the Euro Deli. Door prizes were also donated from a variety of businesses whose generosity was noted by announcer, Debra Harding who is the Assistant to the Director at the CAB.

There was a half and half draw with a lucky winner from St. Etienne de Bolton who went home with $100.00. The Mayor of Potton, Jacques Marcoux and the Mairesse of Bolton-Est, Joan Westland-iby were both present for the event making it all the more special. Special guests included: Sonny and Cher, Mario and Luigi, a Ghostbuster ensemble, a lobster, and many more.

The funds raised from the event each year go toward improving the programs offered by the Volunteer Centre that include but are not limited to, seniors and youth programs, a respite program for the intellectually and physically challenged, accompanied transport service, an emergency food bank, sick room lending equipment and more...

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