Sponsors gearing up for the **Games with** tremendous show of support

The 2008 Arctic Winter Games (AWG) now has 138 sponsors! Working over the last eighteen months, the sponsorship and fundraising committee have signed agreements with companies from all across Canada, even one from Greenland. Sponsors have provided incredible support for all aspects of the Games, from merchandise to transportation, from food and accommodation to volunteers, providing events and venues to create awareness of the Games, and showcasing their Games sponsorships through their own promotions.

Now you can donate and leave your mark on the Games! For more information, call (867) 765-2954, or email donations@awg2008.ca.



Henry White of Henry's Barber Shop and his granddaughter Taylor pose with Foxy in his first public appearance.





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Jeff Seabrook, one of the partners at M&M Meat Shops, poses with Foxy in his official AWG gear!

▼ Pierre Lepage of Le Frolic and Daryl Dolynny and Rick Poltaruk start off the AWG auction bidding during Bastille Day.



\$3.5 mil \$3.0 mil \$2.5 mil \$2.0 mil \$1.5 mil \$1.0 mil \$0.5 mil

At the outset, the Games set a goal to raise \$3.6 million, and to date it has crested \$3 million. With just under \$600,000 to go, sponsorship and fundraising is going strong. We have had the great opportunity to work with a lot of generous sponsors through the Games fundraising, and two of our most recent events, Bastille Day and M&M Meat Shops BBQ, generated \$17,000 for the cause!



Have you seen us around?

The AWG staff, volunteers, and Foxy are popping up everywhere! Over the summer, there were lots of fun events and appearances, including some delicious sponsor events, like the MATCO barbeque, Bastille Day, and the M&M Meat Shops barbeque, helping us create awareness and get closer to our





Foxy and friends sell raffle tickets at the Miners' Picnic in June.



Foxy meets some young fans at the Miners' Picnic.



Foxy hugs and congratulates Mayor Gordon Van Tighem at the City's 40th Anniversary celebration.



Foxy makes a young friend at the City's 40th Anniversary picnic.



Julia Mott and Darlene Mandeville showcase the Arctic Winter Games merchandise at Aboriginal Day.



Julia Mott and Jacki McKinnon working the crowd at Aboriginal Day.



The petanque tournament in full swing at Bastille Day.



Volunteers rev up the crowd at the Canada Day Parade.



before the Terry Fox Run.



Proud volunteers with the AWG flag and Foxy at the Canada Day Parade!



Andre Corbeil sells AWG merchandise to an interested buyer at Bastille Day.



Foxy enticing drivers to stop by the M&M Meat Shops barbeque on a blustery Saturday!



Intrepid volunteers cooking hot dogs and hamburgers at the M&M Meat Shops barbeque.



Kim Poulter of First Air and Peter Austin of Tundra Transfer/Clear Arctic Springs stop in for a hot dog at the M&M Meat Shops barbeque.

Are you a Volunteer yet?

The 2008 AWG had its first volunteer pep rally this August on the City Hall grounds, and more than 100 people showed up to display their AWG pride in the official volunteer shirts.

Our President's Club sponsors were specially thanked, with representatives from the Nunasi Corporation, Northwestel Inc., ATCO Group, and RTL Robinson Enterprises Ltd. Each of the representatives was given an AWG fleece and golf shirt, and briefly spoke about what sponsoring the Games

meant to them. As well, we announced our 500th volunteer, Bridgete Storrie, who was presented with official AWG gear by Shena Shaw, Chair of the Volunteer Committee. Bridgete has now come on board and is the co-chair of our language services committee!

AWG President Cathie Bolstad, helped by Foxy, led the pep rally, introducing each of the speakers and revving up the crowd with rousing cheers to gear up for the Games!



The crowd at the volunteer pep rally gearing up for the Games.



Shena Shaw, Foxy, and Cathie Bolstad present a gift to the 500th volunteer.

Foxy's Den downtown!

In July, Foxy's Den packed up shop in the AWG offices and moved into a new location in the Panda II Mall, through a great donation from the WAM Development Group. Located on street level in the mall, the store is managed by Tracy Heslep, who joined the Host Society in July.

Tracy has been busy in the store, ensuring that it is fully stocked, with new styles and colours coming in all the time. Foxy's Den is catering to everyone, with much of the new merchandise ordered specifically

for youth and children, and even some accessories for pets!

As well, there are new adult and sport styles, from popular labels like American Apparel, Stormtech, Trimark, and Bella. Tracy is currently working on cultural merchandising, to highlight some of the artistry of the NWT.

Drop by the store and pick yourself up some AWG apparel!

And make sure you listen for our Gameswear Fridays contest on CJCD!



Tracy Heslep arranges some of the official AWG gear in the store.



Foxy's Den offers up the official AWG merchandise and accessories for the 2008 Games.



Help us put on the Games!

heavily on its volunteers – we opportunities to volunteer and be and register!

around, we will need about 2500 a volunteer board, and people during the Games, so make sure volunteers. The AWG depends signing up daily! There are lots of you go on-line at www.awg2008.ca

By the time March 9th, 2008 rolls have 40 volunteer committees, part of the AWG team before and

Our Volunteers of the Month

June 2007

Manik Duggar



Manik Duggar is an active member of the volunteer committee, compiling information from individual interviews with all of the AWG divisions and committees to determine volunteer requirements leading up to and during the Games, a task crucial to the success of the Games

His dedication shines through in each meeting he attends. He has led the development of complex spreadsheets and other planning tools to track our volunteer requirements. He has spent countless hours over the past month conducting interviews, in addition to tending our booths at the Caribou Carnival and the YK Spring Trade Show.

Originally from Nepal, Manik is highly involved in the Yellowknife community, also acting on the Board of Directors for the United Way.

September 2007

Sharon Cormier



Sharon has taken on numerous duties for the Awards Committee. She is very committed and thorough in completing all of her tasks to date. She has worked on the cultural medallions, from design changes to order. She also led the design and ordering of our 'Standings Board' which will be on display at the Athletes' Centre.

Sharon's peers continuously on her pleasant manner and dedication.

She is a competitive curler and is aiming to represent the NWT/Yukon Ladies at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts in February 2008.

July 2007 David



David's versatility is his most valuable asset as an Arctic Winter Games volunteer, lending a supportive hand to the Games whenever he is needed.

In addition to helping slug beds off the trucks and into storage, David also took the initiative to travel with AWG merchandise to the Diavik mine site, where he works two-in, two-out as a haul truck driver

In May, he added raffle ticket sales to his growing list of AWG volunteer activities and amateur photography, providing on-site pictures of raffle tickets now on sale through the Ek'Ati Services commissary.

August 2007 Ann



Co-Chair of International/ Language Services, Ann has been our chief correspondent with Canada Customs & Firearms Canada. She has led discussions on very important exemptions needed for the Games that relate to the Firearms Act and Customs Regulations. Her position has also included ensuring that our Chefs de Mission have been provided with the necessary documentation needed to enter Canada. She has also volunteered for countless AWG events.

Ann's commitment and leadership skills to the Games will be missed as she and her family venture to Alberta. She left a well-advanced committee in place, with all requirements, milestones and goals met, with a succeeding committee chair in place and briefed with all pertinent information.



Want to volunteer?

visit www.awg2008.ca and register today!

January 2007 -Gail Cvr

February 2007 -**Gail Daniels**

March 2007 -Ciaran Coates & Andre Thibideau

> **April 2007 -Dennis Willacy**

> May 2007 -**Roland Gagnon**

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