

2011 Gala Committee

Dear Ms. Gerrard,

Honourary Co-Chair: Eric Menu (Wish Child) On behalf of the Children's Wish Foundation of Canada, Alberta & NWT Chapter, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to you for attending this year's *Lighting Up Lives Gala*.

Honourary Co-Chair: Mr. Jim Dinning & Ms. Evelyn Main Because of your generosity, this year's Gala was a phenomenal success, with 340 guests in attendance and \$150,000 in funds raised; far exceeding our 2011 target! At the end of the evening, we were pleased to announce that raffle ticket sales totaled almost \$15,000 – enough to fulfill one and a half wishes! Every dollar raised is making a meaningful contribution to wishes for many deserving children and their families throughout our Chapter.

Gala Patrons:

Mr. Bob Hamilton & Mrs. Julie Hamilton

Mr. Brian Felesky & Mrs. Stephanie Felesky

Mr. Brian MacNeill & Mrs. Brenda MacNeill

Mr. Ed McNally & Mrs. Linda McNally

Chair: Mr. Matthew Epp

Chapter Director: Mr. Jason Evanson

With 27 years of wish granting behind us, more than 17,000 dreams have been fulfilled for children and their families across the nation. This is a direct result of thousands of Canadians who, like yourself, generously contribute their time, talents and resources to our cause. With your support we have never denied an eligible child a wish! We are committed to having the talent, time and energy to ensure that each and every child realizes their dream. We encourage you to continue to support The Children's Wish Foundation at our upcoming events, including *Exile Island* (September 2011), and *Wishmaker Walk for Wishes* (October 15, 2011). For more information about how to get involved, or to refer a child, contact us at 403-265-9039.

It is not a coincidence that we choose to hold the Gala event in the Springtime. Spring is often considered a season of transformation. Just as the winter solstice marks the return of light into our days, a wish come true helps children and their families emerge from the darkness wrought by devastating illness. Your support has a profound impact – brighter days rekindle hope. Together we are lighting up lives!

Sincerely,

Isabelle Martin

Chapter Event Coordinator, Alberta & NWT The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada

