



## **GIVING THANKS FOR A SUCCESSFUL CORNFEST!**

From Peggy Fee – Vice-President Internal:

- ✎ **“High-fives”** to the CornFest Committee of 4 people - mostly from the Board - Kimberley Wood, Peggy Fee, David MacDonald, and Leonor Vlug for their hard work. We only met in person a few times and the rest by the marvelous app “Glide” - which saved us from having to make trips. *Glide* is so awesome and made things go so well.
- ✎ **BIG** thanks to the volunteer Douglas College interpreting students, arranged by Adrian Desmarais. We couldn't do without the kitchen helpers Gail Zimmer and Ladan Sahrae; as well as the set up and clean-up volunteers from Kimberly Wood's family: Barry, Zander, and Zeva Ranger.
- ✎ David Macdonald thanks the “Go-fer Guys” - Dale Proctor, Ralph Newberry, Jr., and Ronald Fee to collect things from stores and GVAD storage.
- ✎ Refreshment bar was coordinated by Leonor Johnson and Danny LeCours with helpers David Johnson, Leah Monohan, Di Ford, & Frank Chung.
- ✎ The all-important **CORN** was brought by Donna Scoular, who was the key GVAD volunteer at the Admission table.
- ✎ Many thanks to the GVAD Office Manager making arrangements with **M&M Meat Shop** which provided and cooked the meats. The BBQ beef burgers and chicken burgers were so delicious!



The weather was dreary, but 127 brave souls attended. Kimberly Wood had created the “fairy dream” for the kiddie's activities – where 3 Walt Disney “Princesses” in costume did face painting for the little kids. Then there was a Treasure Hunt, and finally a colourful donkey piñata – raining down candies for the kids when it was smashed.

For the adults - a one-hour game of **GVADingo** – a very popular new and fun game that was introduced last year. There were so many players crowded at the tables! Next time, we need more tables!

Dinner was served at 5 pm – then people viewed the GVAD historic photo displays, and saw past presidents & leaders sharing their experiences. The highlight of the evening was the cake-cutting by Cora Gray as the eldest living past president and by Ronald Fee as the co-founder (with Jacques Custeau) of the original Corn Party / CornFest event that began 38 years ago.

Dozens of door prizes were drawn, most collected by the winners. \*\*\* The evening socializing continued until 9:30 pm when 10 boxes of pizzas came for the “Last Call” before people headed home.

Thanks to everyone who came out to support GVAD's main fundraising event of 2016. See you next year!

\*\*\* The prize winners who were not there are urged to come to collect their prizes at the Old Navy Community Room at Metrotown Mall on October 22, during the GVAD AGM from 10:30 to 3 pm.

Please see the **GVAD 2016 AGM Announcement** for the location of the Old Navy Community Room.