

Multi-Faith Saskatchewan News

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MFS holds AGM in Davidson, SK

The Annual General Meeting of Multi-Faith Saskatchewan will be held Sunday Nov. 20 at 3 p.m. in Davidson United Church.

The meeting is open to all members of multi-faith organizations in Saskatchewan.

Voting is open to individual members and organizational members who have paid their annual fees.

Individuals have one vote and organizational members have two votes.

In addition to the regular business of MFS, the meeting will feature a special address by Rabbi Jeremy Parnes of Beth Jacob Synagogue, Regina.

The business portion will include election of officers and reports. Nominations are open for a Treasurer and Communications Co-ordinator.

RMFF elects new Board for 2017

Regina Multi-Faith Forum held its AGM recently and elected Rev. Mary Brubacher as its new president. Outgoing president is Gagan Deep Singh.

Other Board members are: Dwaine Dornan, vice-president; Barb Dornan, treasurer/membership; Gagan Deep Singh, communication; Frank Amistead, program; secretary (vacant).

RMFF presents Spiritual Service Awards

Regina Multi-Faith Forum awarded Individual, Organization and Youth Spiritual Service Awards at the Annual General Meeting on November 7th, 2016.

Individual Spiritual Service Awards recipients were Gagan Deep Singh and Gwen Mclean.

The Organizational Spiritual Service Award was presented to Regina Immigrant Women Centre and accepted by Neelu Sachdev.

Youth Spiritual Service Award was presented to Mackenzie Jardine, Bahiyyih Mehregani and Amoz Newkirk.

CLIFF plans art show

Calling Lakes Interfaith Fellowship Forum will feature the Saskatchewan Youth Visual Art Project at a special meeting Tuesday, November 22, 7:00 p.m. in the Qu'Appelle Valley Centre for the Arts. The event is co-sponsored by QVCA, 404 4th Street, Fort Qu'Appelle.

The evening will showcase the 2016 Saskatchewan Youth Visual Art Project – 15 winning entries from the Public, Separate, Francophone and First Nations Schools in Saskatchewan.

Special guest for the evening will be Krishan Kapila of Saskatchewan Multi-Faith. Local artists will also share their personal responses to the various works of art. There will be time to view, to reflect and to share our responses to what these selected, talented youth are saying to us.

In addition to this evening, the display will be open to the public November 23 – 26, noon to 3:00 p.m.

Inter-faith community loses global leader

The North American Interfaith Network announced that on Thursday, November 10, 2016, the Interfaith Community around the world lost a dear friend and champion for justice and civility with the passing of The Rev. Dr. Paul Eppinger.

He will be missed by the Arizona Interfaith Movement, and by people from around the world who knew, respected and deeply appreciated Paul's tireless and longstanding work in the interfaith arena. May his work continue and may it bless

all mankind with peace whereby "living out" the Golden Rule is the norm.

Memorial Service will be Saturday, December 3, 1:00 p.m. in the First Institutional Baptist Church, Phoenix.

Regina refugee project makes progress

Regina Multi-Forum Forum Refugee Sponsorship Committee reported on November 7, 2016 that the Committee applied to sponsor a family through the family stream under the license of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina, who are Sponsorship Agreement Holders (SAH) and therefore authorized to undertake this process.

After accumulating donations from various faith groups and individual members (total to date \$31000.00) they proceeded to select and submit the application, which went into process in Lebanon in March.

The family is from Syria presently living in a camp in Lebanon. They are: Naif and His Wife Amoun and their daughter Hilala and

her two young children, Talal and Shaima.

They have relatives already living in Regina and other relatives in Jordan, who are being sponsored by another local group.

Naif and his wife have been approved to come to Regina but the application for their daughter Hilala and her children is still in process.

As a result Naif will stay in Lebanon until Hilala is approved as it would be very risky to leave her alone with her two young children.

The committee hopes the whole family may still be able to arrive in Regina in 2016.

They are continuing, fundraising because they are concerned that the monies raised needs also to cover the cost of travel.

Co-chair Jeremy Parnes thanks the committee for working tirelessly to insure the most successful outcome possible.

To share multi-faith news or upcoming events from your community, please contact kanhaim@accesscomm.ca