

MCIC AGM, June 17

MCIC's AGM will take place Thursday, June 17 at the Canadian Mennonite University, South Campus Chapel. Registration will begin at 6:30pm and the meeting itself will run from 7:00pm - 9:30pm.

The guest speaker is Gerry Barr, President/CEO of the Canadian Council for International Cooperation (CCIC), who will speak on The State of the International Development Sector. Mr. Barr is a Member of the Order of Canada. He was awarded the Pearson Peace Medal in 1996 for his personal contribution to aid to the developing world, mediation in conflict, and peaceful change through international cooperation. He is also the co-chair of Make Poverty History (Canada).



Gustavo Diez de Medina, speaks at MCIC's 2009 Annual General Meeting.

The AGM will also include the election of the board of directors, the presentation of the Paul LeJeune Volunteer Service Award and the review of audited financial statements. Please pre-register at info@mcic.ca or by calling (204) 987 6420.

The Nominations Committee is currently accepting candidate nominations for the MCIC Board from any regular member agency. Please contact MCIC at (204) 987 6420 or info@mcic.ca for nomination forms or more information.

MCIC Congratulates IDE

IDE has been awarded the first Nestlé Prize in Creating Shared Value for an innovative program in Cambodia. In the past two years, IDE's Farm Business Advisor program has enabled 60 rural Cambodian entrepreneurs to start small agricultural distribution and consulting businesses, which in turn have helped 4,500 small-scale farm households increase their net income by 27 percent or US \$150.

The prize of 500,000 Swiss Francs (over CAD \$450,000) will allow IDE to recruit and train an additional 36 advisors, generating approximately CAD \$2 million in new income for more than 4,000 rural households across Cambodia. The award was presented at a ceremony in London.



Upcoming Events

The Run for Rights

June 5, 2010

8:30am

Location: Kildonan Park, Winnipeg

Walk, run, cycle or rollerblade in support of human rights. The Run for Rights brings together 15 Winnipeg organizations working for social justice to raise awareness about human rights. Participants can make a donation or collect pledges in support of one organization or the Run for Rights Coalition as a whole. You can get more information at www.runforrights.org or contact Laura at run4rights@gmail.com or (204) 223 8415.

Volunteers are still needed for the event. If you are interested in volunteering contact Krista at krispa41@gmail.com.

Lunch 'n' Learn with Beny Mwenda and Mary Sayi

June 8, 2010

12:00 Noon

Location: MCIC Office, 302-280 Smith St. Winnipeg

Join us at MCIC for a Lunch & Learn on development initiatives in Tanzania. Beny Mwenda and Mary Sayi are visiting Manitoba from the Tanzania Society of Agricultural Education & Extension (TSAEE). They are based in Mwanza District in northwestern Tanzania near Lake Victoria. Bring your lunch - MCIC will supply fair trade coffee and tea. Call (204) 987 6420 or email info@mcic.ca for more information.

Grands 'n' More's Stride to Turn the Tide

June 12, 2010

10:30am registration, 11:30am walk

Location: Central Park, Winnipeg

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Just Food Exhibit Tours Manitoba

The Just Food exhibit will be displayed in Steinbach at the Mennonite Heritage Village Museum until July 3 and in Altona at the Gallery in the Park from July 23 until September 26.

Sponsored by the Mennonite Committee on Human Rights, the exhibition, Just Food: Right to Food from a Faith Perspective, features the artwork of seven Canadian artists and 12 international artists.

"The exhibition is designed to raise questions on the right to food and responsibilities to end hunger from a human rights approach and a faith perspective", said Peter Rempel, executive director of Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba. He is also a member on the Mennonite Committee on Human Rights, a coalition of Mennonite organizations with interest in human rights.



Want to make your voice heard at the table?

Make Poverty History invites you to "take your place" and join them in an exciting campaign to ensure that the issues that matter are **AT THE TABLE**.

Sign on to the **AT THE TABLE** campaign and join citizens across Canada and around the world **calling for bold and concrete action** on poverty, climate change, and economic recovery for all in the G8 and G20 summits.

www.atthetable2010.org



Global Citizenship: Local News Edition is a publication of the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation. This monthly e-newsletter includes information on local events/activities that relate to the international development efforts and other initiatives of MCIC's member organizations and other local groups. Send submissions to pr@mcic.ca.

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Over 5,000 grandmothers and 'grand others' from the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign will be walking in support of African grandmothers caring for children orphaned by AIDS. Come join the grandmothers in your community or donate. All proceeds will go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation. The registration fee is \$5. It is free for children 12 years and under. Contact Jean at jeanaltemeyer@shaw.ca for more information. You can donate online at www.grandmotherscampaign.org.

Canadian Red Cross Open House

June 17, 2010

6:00pm

Location: Canadian Red Cross, 1111 Portage Ave. Winnipeg.

The Canadian Red Cross - Manitoba Region is holding an open house for its Humanitarian Issues Program. Presentations, displays, and current volunteers will be on hand to answer questions and explain more about this year's campaigns. Volunteer applications can be filled out and handed in that night. Interviews for potential volunteers will be held on June 22 and 23 in the evening. For more information or to RSVP your attendance please email Bobbie at bobbie.whiteman@redcross.ca.

USC Canada Coffee House, Music Night and Food Sovereignty Focus Workshop.

June 17, 2010

7:30pm

Location: First Unitarian Universalist Church of Winnipeg, 603 Wellington Cres. Winnipeg.

Be part of a night of music and community connections in support of food security and sovereignty with proceeds towards USC Canada and Harvest Moon Society. There will be musicians of every skill level. Come join in the drumming, sing along, sign up your own act or just visit and connect. Sound check at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to get involved in the workshop following the music. Contact Jim at jim.gardiner@hotmail.com for more information.