# **AUGUST 2023 UCW NEWSLETTER**

We hope you are having a good summer, and are refreshed and ready for a busy UCW Fall.

### Welcome Lunch on Sunday, September 10th

Sunday Lunch kicks off the Fall activities - we hope you are able to attend. There will be activities for the kids - including games, face painting and a magician, build-your-own sandwich bar, and some information booths about ongoing church activities. If you would like to help out - fantastic! To help in the kitchen, please contact:

Pat Whitridge (whitridge.patricia@sympatico.ca) or Sandra Weedmark (sweedmark@bell.net)

#### Join us after the service!

## A Fajita Dinner & Swing **Band Follows on Thursday, September 21 @ 5:30**



Peggy Rader is leading the team on the plans for this **BIG NIGHT** OUT!

FAJITA DINNER, with salads, and MUSIC with the Stan Clark Orchestra (many thanks to Charlotte Browne for arranging the band).

Tickets will be on sale on Sunday, September 10 and 17, after the service. You can also check with the office for ticket availability through the week at: administrator@rideaupark.ca.

Adults \$20 Kids 10 & Under: \$10

# **Community Building**

In 2023 the UCW established a budget for Community Building ... a new concept for the UČW and for Rideau

The objectives are:

- To explore ways and means of building community between the UCW and other individuals/ groups within the church, and outside of the church community;
  - To increase UCW membership;
  - To support other groups in the church in their
- activities and purpose; and
   To find new (and better?) ways of "being church" as UCW members.
- A cross section of members of the congregation have joined together to pursue this initiative.

The Chili supper and participation in the Awesome Alta Vista Garage Sale were initiatives of the group.

The Welcome Lunch and Fajita Dinner & Swing Band **Events** are also initiatives of the group.

We encourage you to come out to these events and get to know your Rideau Park Community as well as members of the greater Alta Vista Community.

If you'd like to help make deli items in the church kitchen this fall, please contact Lisa Sadler at 613-523-9101, lisadler@hotmail.com. UCW Units 3 and 7 will meet on Tuesday, September 12. Unit 3 meets in the evenings (contact Nancy Begg-Durkee 613-521-2051) and Unit 7 meets in the afternoon (contact Sandra Weedmark 613-731-6447). If you'd like to check out the UCW, you are welcome! Unit 2 meets less regularly, but you'd be joining Mabel Bannerman (613-731-5865) and Judy Pare - who wouldn't want to meet with them!?

Cleaning house, downsizing or just getting rid of some Clutter!

Take advantage of two opportunities to donate good used

treasures this Fall!

The Fall Nearly New Sale is scheduled for Friday,

September 29 and Saturday, September 30



Please consider helping out by

 donating the following: Good, Gently used Fall and Winter clothing. Women's, Men's and Children's. Jewellery is also accepted.

volunteering with this thrifty minded, fun loving group the following shifts: SORTING: Thursday Sept 28, 8:30 - 12:00 am 1:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 -8:00 pm; Friday 8:30-12:00 am. SELLING: Friday 6:00 to 8:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 to 11:30 am CLEAN-UP Saturday 11:30 to 12:30







Christmas-themed items and decorations you no longer need? They will have a special spot at the 2023 Bazaar.

As soon as you can!

Contact Helen Kane (helenkane4@hotmail.com).

If you have a photo you can attach to the email describing the items, even better.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Merry Dairy Fundraiser for Indigenous Charities.

This year we raised \$500 and had a great visit by the Merry Dairy Ice Cream Truck.

Thank you Diane Lagace for co-ordinating this event!