

## **EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW** **ABOUT HIGHLANDS' 2009 FLEA MARKET**

- The Flea Market on **Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** will be our **34<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Sale**
- In the early 1980's we also held a large Spring Flea Market for 3 or 4 years
- Twenty-five to thirty of the original volunteers are still hard at it.
- We respond to the needs of various organizations for specific items e.g. Men's clothing and blankets to **First United Church**, Baby Equipment to **North Shore Neighbourhood House**, Medical Health Equipment to the **Red Cross Loan Cupboard**, Household Items to "**Home Start**", Good Summer clothing to **Lions Gate Thrift Shop**, Formal Dresses to the **Cinderella Project**, etc., etc.
- The "Sorters" 25-30 women and 4 or 5 men, work Tuesday mornings year round, (except December) to sort and organize all the donations and have a coffee break, with lots of noisy chatter, in the Fireside Room.
- Development Disabilities Association picks up from the church every Friday, any items that for various reasons, we cannot use.
- After the sale all leftovers go to **D.D.A., First United, Covenant House**, and other groups that come to our attention.
- Very little goes in the garbage, except the items that never should have been left at our door in the first place.
- We also recycle dilapidated cardboard and old metal that end up in our corner, but please don't leave us yours.
- And last but not least, the 33 Fall Flea Markets, 3 or 4 Spring Flea Markets and 5-6 Antique and Collectibles Sales; have raised close to **\$900,000** for the Church and U.C.W.
- There will be "Sign Up" sheets at Coffee Hour on the first 2 Sundays in October (October 4 and 11), for work the week of the Flea Market, or call one of us for more info.

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