

World Suicide Prevention Day

The indispensable support of healthcare professionals

On September 6, the FIQ attended the launching of World Suicide Prevention Day by the *Association québécoise de prévention du suicide*.



Régine Laurent spoke at that time with other partners in the healthcare



world in attendance, in order to remind everyone of the importance of pursuing the interventions in prevention and to stress the important role that nursing professionals play in the prevention of suicide.

World Suicide Prevention Day will take place on Saturday, September 10 with the theme "We are all indispensable in preventing suicide".

For more information: www.aqps.info

Certification of residences for the elderly

The FIQ presents a brief

On September 15, the FIQ will present its comments within the scope of the consultations on proposed Bill 16, An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning health and social services in order, in particular, to tighten up the certification process for residences for the elderly. Régine Laurent and Michèle Boisclair, members of the executive committee, will make representations before the *Commission de la santé et des services sociaux*. The comments made by the FIQ will be available on the website of the Federation.

Fundraiser for the *Groupe Femmes, Politique et Démocratie*

The FIQ invites its members to attend a fundraiser organized by the *Groupe Femmes, Politique et Démocratie* (GFPD). The donations collected will enable this organization to pursue its mission of community education on citizen and democratic action.



The *Groupe* wants to help more women access power, develop a mentorship for aspiring candidates, prepare the younger generation to take over, stimulate citizen action within the population and attain the best citizenship. Tickets are presently on sale to attend the two new shows of comedian Claudine Mercier, "Je suis toujours un peu dans le champ!" on October 18, 2011 in Montréal and on November 9, 2011 in Quebec City.

For more information: www.gfpd.ca

Campaign for the reconstruction of a school in Haïti: a clear success



Marlène Valcin, of the *Association des anciennes élèves de l'Institut du Sacré-Cœur*, and Régine Laurent

Sponsor of the event, Régine Laurent proudly attended a private viewing of paintings and artisans "Cœur à cœur" on September 3, organized by the *Association des anciennes élèves de l'Institut du Sacré-Cœur de Turgeau*, in Port-au-Prince.

The event, which ended on September 5, was held at *Café De Lima* in Montréal. Several people attended and the sale of the paintings has enabled the Association to collect funds for the reconstruction of the school devastated by the January 2010 earthquake in Haïti. Remember that Régine Laurent herself went to that school.

For more information: www.reconstructionsacrecoeurhaiti.org