

VOX POP

with Mark & Marty

My, my what a busy month it was... On February 12th, I hopped a **First Air** flight to Yellowknife with my band, **The Blue Montegos**, to play the Forever in our Hearts Gala. The band played a few sets and I did some auctioneering. The event raised over \$65,000 for the Yellowknife Community Foundation to help those in need. Among the auction items

Say "Mush!"



was a beautiful—and I mean *beautiful*—Kimberlite bear carving which went for \$8000. You could almost see the diamonds in the piece.

Daryl Dolynny, from the Foundation, arranged for our band to take a dog sled ride. The folks at **Beck's Kennels** took us out for over an hour on a spectacular day. We learned that you should never take a full cup of hot coffee with you on a ride. I'm sure the loaner coat will clean up just fine. Thanks to **Sean Ivens**, president of **Medic North Emergency Services**, for taking the photo of the ladies on the dance floor. As well, congratulations to the entire team who put together this first-ever gala. If you are in Yellowknife next February, grab a ticket.