



ROTARY CLUB OF WINNIPEG

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 9, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

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MAY 13 - 15

Rotary District 5550

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

THE FAMILY OF Rotary

ONLINE
May 13-15, 2021

Hosted by
The Rotary Club of Melfort

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

19^{1/2}th Annual Online
BIG DADDY TAZZ & FRIENDS
Comedy Night

THURSDAY, APRIL 29th, 2021

Show 7:00 pm (CST)

Tickets \$20

<https://bigdaddytazz.eventbrite.ca>

[CLICK HERE TO BUY YOUR TICKET](#)

Please Buy your ticket soon and help support a Rotary Club Project. **When purchasing your tickets, indicate that you and your friends are with the Rotary Club of Winnipeg.**

Our Club will receive \$10 for each Ticket purchased by our Club members & friends. These funds will be used to support our Build with Habitat for Humanity which is being championed by Jeannette Brigit



**2021 Virtual International
Convention –
June 12 – 16, 2021**

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MORE INFORMATION**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Do you want to help shape the Future Direction of our Rotary Club? Come and join our Strategic Planning Committee – Help us Expand our Reach, Increase our Impact and Enhance Member Engagement. Let's create an Action Plan putting Rotary Principles to work. This is an opportunity to develop new skills while developing a new Strategic Plan for the Rotary Club of Winnipeg.

Contact President-Elect Nancy Cosway to become involved in creating an exciting plan for the future of our Club. ✉ NCOSWAY@MTS.NET

HEALTH & WELLNESS



Eduardo De Costa on the passing of his Father in Brazil, from COVID 19. (As many of you will know, Eduardo da Costa is a Brazilian Rotary Peace Scholar and Peace Ambassador for the Institute for Economics and Peace. He currently lives in Winnipeg where he is studying for a PhD in Peace and Conflict studies at the University of Manitoba.)

Eduardo on the recent passing of his Father "I am writing to let you know that my father Augusto da Costa has returned to his hut in the spiritual forest after facing a fierce battle with Covid-19 with the strength and courage of an Amazon warrior.

My older brother was in critical care for about two weeks and is gradually recovering at home.

This has been one of the worst times in my life as I have lost a father, a friend, a mentor, a guide, and a partner in my life journey, But I have not lost my guiding light as my father's light continues to lead my way, inspire my work, clear my path, and light up my life as I move forward.

I am at peace because I know that my father is at peace in his hut. And I know that God is watching over me and all the families all over the world who have lost loved ones since the start of the pandemic.

Stay safe and healthy,"

Peace, Eduardo

Eduardo Costa - ✉ edurotary@gmail.com



APRIL IS MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH

EVERY CHILD DESERVES A CHANCE AT LIFE FILLED WITH LOVE, LAUGHTER, FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

VERNA HRYHORCHUK:



Verna is pleased to announce the arrival of two new Grandchildren during February & March. "One grandson named Harrison Ryan Hryhorchuk born in Oshawa, ON on February 5th (pictured on the mountain blanket). Then I have a new granddaughter born on March 13th in Selkirk, MB., named Adeline Rose Hryhorchuk. Exciting times for this Nana as my other grandchildren are all teenagers."



TREVOR STARK AND WIFE REBECCA

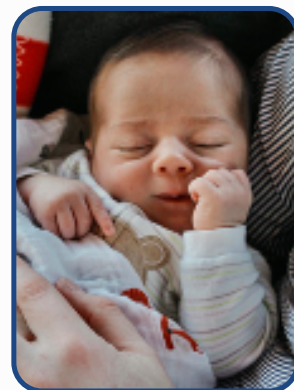
On the birth of their 2nd child.

Holden is 2.5 years old and he loves bringing all his hot wheel cars to show his little brother.

Thomas is now a month old and is growing up far too fast. He's healthy and sleeping well. He spends almost every waking moment staring at his brother.

Trevor further reports that "Rebecca has done an incredible job juggling two kids at home as well as gradually starting back with her work."

"I've been busier than ever with work, which I'm very grateful for (especially as COVID forced many people out of work) as I continue to grow my practice as an investment advisor. I've been splitting time at home and in the office and have loved the extra time I've been able to spend with my family."





WHY I AM A ROTARIAN

TAISEER SHAREIF

My name is Taiseer Shareif. I am originally from Sudan (North). I am an Independent Business Management Consultant, trying to help small businesses and start-ups to improve their Operations and Digital presence. Currently pursuing my CPA.

I am a privileged daughter of a highly educated family who always inspired us to never stop learning. I grew up with a big passion of helping others and learning about different cultures as we traveled and lived in different countries based on my dad's profession. This period of my life shaped my personality, to widely accept others.

So when I first came to Canada, the first thing I did was to educate myself about the history of this land and the amazing diversity I found among people who live here. My reactions toward what I've learned was confusing as one time I feel excited about some interesting facts about Canada then I read about the history of oppression and injustice and I feel sad and disappointed, I thought this is only in our countries. And again, I felt hopeful when I see the efforts of truth & reconciliation and social justice to all. I wanted to be part of this going forward plan, but I did not know where to start.

One day, I was invited to attend one of the Peace Days events inspired by the Rotary Club of Winnipeg peace builders Committee. I wasn't really sure if I wanted to go. But my curiosity to learn something new, took me there.

And there I got invited to attend one of the club meetings, and I got the "please come again" invite. The diverse group of Rotarians there were so welcoming and friendly. Of course I went again after doing my deep research on Rotary, Rotary projects and their service above self, and this time with a decision to be a Rotarian.

Before you join you see rotary as fundraiser and people who write cheques. It's good but sounds boring

Once you join you see endless opportunities, you see endless friendships, you see amazing international aid projects and amazing people of action,

But based on my personal experience:

- **I am a Rotarian because I found a place where I felt included**
- **I am a Rotarian because I found a place where I can lead by example, and be a real change maker**
- **And I found a place where people do not look at me as someone who needs help but someone who can really help.**

Finally, I can't be prouder, as Rotary is taking huge steps toward Diversity Equity and Inclusion. Our club today kick-starts the anti-racism week inspired by our City of Winnipeg.

As we all know, Equity is a choice and Inclusion is an action. Together we can make our decision to be inclusive and to do hard work, to never stop, and be equitable to all. There is still much work to do in this area. But together we can make it.



NEW MEMBER

Joel Dela Cruz:

Joel was born and raised in the Philippines and immigrated to Winnipeg 11 years ago through the Provincial Nominee Program. He finished his Bachelor of Science Degree of Electronics and Communication Engineering and then worked as a Receiver and Shipper. He had a small cooking business (Pilipino Breakfast and frozen spring rolls) and printing company.

His family is his strength, courage and wisdom, especially his wife and son. They were very happy when they learned that he was becoming a new member of the Rotary Club of Winnipeg



ROTARY MEMBERS

REBECCA CHARTRAND - IN THE NEWS:

Indspire announces new Vice President of Programs & Student Success -
[CLICK HERE TO READ](#)

Advocate worries Manitoba school board changes will put Indigenous education on back burner
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DAVID MABIOR ATEM

The University of Winnipeg's administration has presented me with a certificate of recognition and dedication for long services; 15 consecutive years. It is a great satisfaction to share with colleagues, friends, and relatives the benefit of a durable solution (resettlement) that has afforded me the opportunity to make a significant difference through higher education.



During the 50th Anniversary/Impact, I was described as “a model of hard work and dedication, he often gives up his lunchtime to accommodate students who cannot attend regular appointments due to work or family-related issues.” I have also worked briefly with the Services Canada (federal government) prior to joining the University.

Hard-working is discipline and commitment. It is the resilience and consistency of deploying a reciprocal understanding to engage the right stakeholders in an attempt to achieve the intended change within the jurisdiction of a given task.

Throughout my works, I have held different portfolios. Herein, the recognition of long services is motivating and boosting productivity. However, in Africa, in the 1990s, I had worked with humanitarian NGOs (UNHCR's Peace Education and LWF Case Management Office), youth's leadership that range from Panpoil's youth, Pakeer (first cohort), and former Markaz Kongor, which is now Twic East County, etc.

PS. This recognition and others are credited to the unwavering support of my sisters: Aker Atem Kuir Mabior and Nyibol Atem Kuir Mabior

(From David's Facebook page)

<https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/awards-distinctions/hanen/atem.html>



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QUOTES:

Share the Magic Book Program Press Release – March 9, 2021

"Together, Share the Magic and the Rotary Club of Winnipeg placed more than 9,000 books in northern and remote First Nations communities, Executive Director Christine Melnick said."

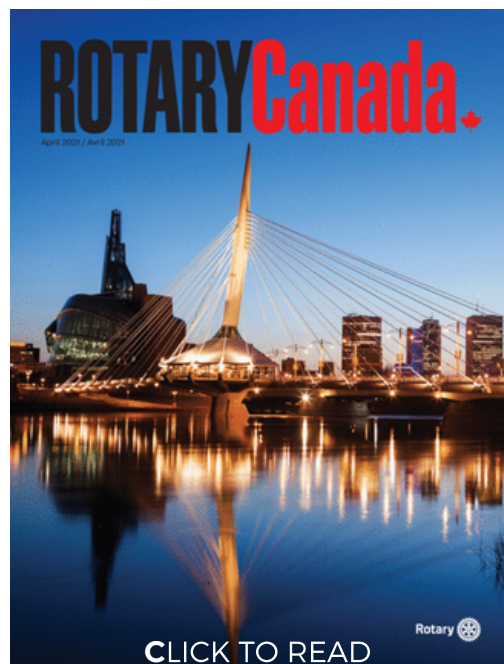
Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata:

"Volunteers and staff with Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata have assembled and delivered over 116,434 emergency food hampers to households in need across Winnipeg since the COVID-19 pandemic hit in March 2020." (The Herald, February 3, 2021)

Our Club supported Ma Maw's emergency food hampers program with a grant of \$800, in the early days of the Pandemic.

Winnipeg Rotarians celebrate peace

*An expanded Peace Days initiative brings people together
from around the globe*



LINKS



[DISTRICT 5550.- NEWSLETTER APRIL 2021](#)



[DISTRICT 5550 – NEWSLETTER – MARCH, 2021](#)



[INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO ABOLISH NUCLEAR WEAPONS](#)

ICAN is the international campaign to stigmatise, prohibit & eliminate nuclear weapons.



[HIP - HONOURING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CIRCLE NEWS – FEBRUARY 2021](#)



[THE ROTARY CLUB OF WINNIPEG WEST NEWSLETTER "WEST WIND" IS A GOOD READ](#)

Very interesting to hear & see what other Rotary Clubs are doing. you can sign up to receive future issues

CHANNELS RECOMENDED



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[ROTARY DISTRICT 5550](#)



["NUCLEAR RESPONSE"..](#)

RECOMMENDED BY OUR ROTARY PEACE BUILDERS COMMITTEE



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