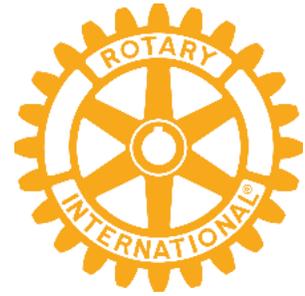


Rotary Club of Winnipeg



ROTARY NEWS, and MORE....

December 11, 2017

READERS COMMENTS:

Norm Podolski:

"I've missed your regular Newsletters lately.....I just assumed I had been taken off the contact list. So, I was happy to get this Newsletter. I may not be a Rotarian anymore but I still think of Rotary and enjoy hearing about the Rotary Club. Thanks for keeping me on the mailing list. A Great and informative News Report."



Major Al Hoeft:

"It is nice to keep up to date on the Winnipeg Club. I am now a member of the Rotary Club of Edmonton (I know... I get around). Yours in Rotary service," Divisional Director of Emergency Disaster Services & Corps Officer, Edmonton Crossroads Community Church



Vern Nelson:

"Much enjoyed reading the newsletter. Thanks for including me on the mailing list.

Particularly noted your reference to Remembrance Day, which has meant much to our family. My father's only and older brother was killed in trench battle in the first World War, while my mother's youngest brother was killed in the second World War. He was my favorite uncle, but was killed in his role of tail gunner in a bomber over Germany. Apparently the survival of tail gunners was low, even if the plane and the rest of the crew survived.



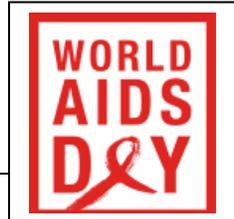
This had not been an easy year, and am having difficulty selling my house and moving to an apartment on St Mary's Road. However, having a fantastic lady for 55 years, leaves me with nothing for which to feel sorry for myself."

Larry Schmidt: It's great to be able catch up on what our fellow members are doing and get to know our new members. With appreciation."



RECENT & UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 1st **World AIDS Day**
<http://www.cdnaids.ca/events/world-aids-day/>
<http://www.who.int/campaigns/aids-day/2017/event/en/>



December 5th **International Volunteer Day**
designated by the United Nations in 1985
<http://www.un.org/en/events/volunteerday/>



December 10th. **Human Rights Day**
<http://www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday/>



December 13th. **Annual Kiwanis – Rotary Joint Luncheon** meeting. The speaker will be **Loretta Ross**, Manitoba Treaty Commissioner speaking on “Breaking Barriers”

December 20th. **Family & Friends Holiday Dinner** – Evening Dinner at 5:30 pm.

December 27th. **Lunch Meeting Cancelled.**

January 17th. **RIBFEST Grant presentation and Sponsorship/Donor Recognition.** This will be our monthly evening meeting at 5:30 PM at RBC Convention Centre

January 18th. **First meeting of the Satellite Club** at Rudy’s (in the Manitoba Hydro Building) at 5:30 pm



REMINDER:

December 15th is the deadline for “early registration” and the lowest fee of US\$335.

Register before December 15th for best rate.

Early registration rate of US\$335 ends on December 15th.

From December 16th – March 31st the rate increases to US\$410

From April 1st – June 27th the rate increases again to US\$495

<http://www.riconvention.org/en>

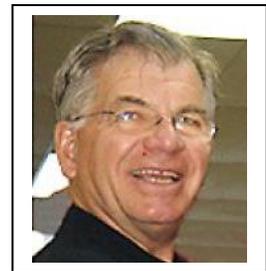
<http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/register>

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/registration-fees>

HEALTH & WELLNESS:

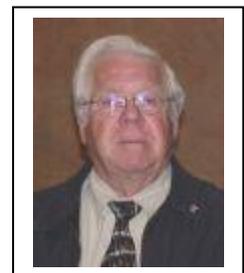
Ray Van (Raymond Van Bastelaere) passed away on November 15, 2017. No service was held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Rotary Club of Winnipeg (PEF) or the Canadian Cancer Society.

https://passages.winnipegfreepress.com/passage-details/id-250745/VAN%20BASTELAERE_RAYMOND



Ray was Club President in 1997-98 and while attending the Rotary International Convention in Calgary in 1997, Ray & Kay Harrell, President of the Rotary Club of Kinston, NC. created the Sister Club relationship between the two Clubs. (The Winnipeg - Kinston visits celebrated its 20th Anniversary this year.) Ray was also involved in the development of the Rotary Leadership Circle and the Rotary Career Symposium.

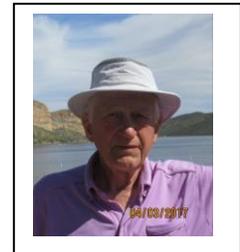
Ernie Schell: In a recent e-mail, Ernie indicated that both he and his wife Norma are struggling with health challenges. In Ernie’s words, “My recovery from my heart attack last February is less than acceptable. Norma is still in hospital recovering from a broken hip and is recovering nicely but her dementia has reached 90%.” Despite all his challenges, Ernie wished all us the “the Best of the Festive Season and Good Health for 2018” I am sure Ernie would appreciate a phone call, an e-mail or a visit.



Cynthia Brick: Two years ago Cynthia broke her hip. Initially her recovery went quite well, but later she suffered a lot of pain as a result of poor blood supply to the bone. The doctors did not want to operate again because of other health problems. But as usual, Cynthia persevered, her health improved and 4 doctors signed off on her next surgery. The surgery went well, and two months later Cynthia is doing very well and is in no pain. At home she is walking unaided, but is using her walker in large open spaces, till she feels more secure.



Glen Torgerson: Glen sends the following report from Meza, Arizona. "Life is so good here that it is embarrassing! Since we arrived on November 2nd the daily high temperatures have been in the 80's and, of course no rain and little wind. How can I be expected to play golf in conditions like that. I do miss the weekly Rotary meetings and the time spent with old and new friends. But I do not miss the cold! Please give my regards to all."



When Nancy & I last visited Glen & Sharon in Meza, a couple of years ago, Glen shared the American definition of a Canadian. "An un-armed person with health care."

ACHIEVEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Paul Harris Fellow Awards:



Left: Introduced in 1984, the blue-stone Multiple Paul Harris Fellow pin recognizes additional donations up to \$5,000.

Right: Red-stone Multiple Paul Harris Fellow pins were introduced in 1988 and recognize donations between \$6,000 and \$10,000.

There are at least two ways to receive a Paul Harris. 1) If you contribute US\$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation or 2) if someone else contributes US\$1,000 on your behalf. You can also receive recognition for multiple Paul Harris Awards.

Eva Vida: Our President Eva Vida recently received her 9th Paul Harris Fellow Award. This means that \$9,000 has been contributed to the Rotary Foundation in Eva's name. (FYI: In 2016, Eva and Charles had also become Major Donors to the Rotary Foundation at the District 5550 Million Dollar dinner at the District Conference held in Gimli .)



CONGRATULATIONS - ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE GRADUATES - 2017

Four of our members were amongst the Graduates (Youssef, Enver, Donna & Bagula)



ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLI) was held in Winnipeg over 2 Saturdays – Modules 1 and 2A on October 21st and Modules 2B and 3 on November 25th. Graduates of RLI have expressed an increased knowledge of Rotary, confidence in their ability to share about Rotary Membership with potential new members, club engagement, interest in fulfilling small to large leadership roles for committees/executive and the sincere pleasure of sharing with other Rotary Clubs in their District. The interactive workshop format and the time to share best practices makes the days memorable and valuable. We hope you'll consider participating in a future RLI session!

Back Row: **Youssef Mouzahem**, Winnipeg-Downtown; Cheryl Winger, Brandon; David Thorne, Selkirk, Facilitator Bob Durston, **William (Hal) Brownlee**, Winnipeg-Fort Garry, Facilitator Signe Holstein; **Enver Naidoo**, Winnipeg-Downtown Front Row: Facilitator Joanne Misner, **Donna Alexander**, Winnipeg-Downtown; Christine Hansen, Kenora; Mandy Kwasnica, Winnipeg-Charleswood, **Bagula Namakobwa**, Winnipeg-Downtown; Martin Labossiere, Winnipeg- Charleswood.

PROJECT REPORTS:

Churchill Project:

Our Club contributed \$750 to the **School Meal Program** in Churchill.



Rick Hubbs from the Rotary Club of The Pas reports: On November 14, we took 16 Rotary Exchange students to Churchill. When we arrived, we went to The Duke of Marborough school. We presented the Principal (along with 20 students) with a cheque for \$ 7,500.00 from the Rotary Clubs in District 5550. They were very pleased to add this to their funds for their Daily Meal Programs at the school. The groceries have been very expensive because Churchill no longer has train service.

South Africa project:

The Global Grant 152745 project recently completed by our partners the Rotary Club of Westville, involved the training of hundreds of Early Child Education workers in dozens of creches located in rural and remote areas of the province of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa. The staff were trained in the most effective Early Child Development teaching methods and procedures, toy and learning materials making from recyclables and waste materials as well as First Aid training. The participants were also provided with advice and assistance in the upgrading of their meagre facilities to bring them up to government standards. One exciting tangible outcome of this initiative is that **52 previously unfunded creches now qualify for government funding.**



OUR ROTARIANS – MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Elly Hoogterp:

Elly reports: “This was my fourth medical mission with **Operation Walk Winnipeg.** Operation Walk was started by a team in Los Angeles in 1994. Since that time many teams from the USA and some from Canada have provided joint replacements to people who can’t afford these surgeries, despite having debilitating bone diseases, such as osteoarthritis.





We fundraised over \$165,000 to make this mission possible. The team of professionals from Winnipeg was 64 strong. This includes surgeons, nurses, physiotherapists, Medical Device re-processing, translators and general volunteers. The main focus of Operation Walk has been Central America. This was our fourth time to Nicaragua; we have made a commitment to the people in Nicaragua for another 4 years. We worked in the capital of Nicaragua, Managua, in the Roberto Calderon Hospital and we replaced 69 joints this year.”

100 Mile Dinner:

On September 17th, six Rotarians attended the 100 Mile Dinner Fundraiser of the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Winnipeg**. The Rotarians made a donation of \$600 to the BGCW Scholarship program.

<http://www.bgcwinnipeg.ca/events/100-mile-dinner>



Winnipeg Women’s Resource Centre in Bor (WWRCB) (South Sudan):

Rebecca Deng, one of our new members, and Co-Chair of the “WWRCB in Winnipeg” has prepared a report describing the Highlights of their First Year of Programming, which include:

- graduation of 24 women from the sewing program;
- four of the graduates have gone on to employment and a good number are engaged in market projects;
- 17 women are learning basic literacy and numeracy skills, with a waiting list of a further 76 women;
- 200 children have participated in entry level primary school instruction;
- 41 women participate in the 3 elder circles convened each week...
- in Mary Yar's words:



“The Elder Circles are engaged in counselling vulnerable, disadvantaged women including young girls who have been forced into an early marriage or traumatized by the war, rape, gender based violence and the loss of their loved ones. It encourages these women to speak freely by holding friendly and supportive meetings at church to help them overcome hardship and create awareness about the importance of education and why all women have the right to education including family planning, baby spacing and the use of contraceptives.”

For copies of the full Report, contact Rebecca at: rdeng@shaw.ca

http://rupertslandnews.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/womensresource_brochure_6.pdf

YEAR END OPPORTUNITIES:

Last chance to make a Donation to Rotary in 2017, and get a Tax Receipt.

Remember, the more you donate the less the Government gets. Again, you may donate to the Community Service Fund Inc or a specific project of your choice.

Get your FLU SHOT & help END POLIO NOW:

Rotarian Jason Hoepfner, of **The Medicine Shoppe** at 660 Osborne Street is still giving Flu Shots, and for every Rotarian or Rotarian referral getting a Flu Shot, he is donating \$5 to the **END POLIO NOW** campaign. Get the Flu Shot & help eradicate Polio.



SERVICE ABOVE SELF



The Object of Rotary

THE OBJECT of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say, or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

AS A ROTARIAN, I will

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- 4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

Editor's Note:

I look forward to your input and feedback.

Happy Holiday Season for you, your family, and friends

Frank Cosway