

Rotary Club of Winnipeg



ROTARY NEWS, and MORE....

June 26, 2017

Editor's note: This will be the last issue of the "Rotary News and More ..." for this Rotary year. I hope to resume publication in late September. Please continue to send in photos and news items. Thank you for your interest and support. Frank (Cosway)

RECENT & UP-COMING EVENTS:

District 5550 District Conference in Kenora,
on May 25 – 28, 2017

<http://rotaryclubofkenora.ca/>

Rotary Presidential Peace Conference, in Atlanta, on June 9 – 10, 2017. Attended by Brenda & David Newman, and Lloyd Talbot from Winnipeg.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/presidential-peace-conference-2017>

Rotary International Convention, in Atlanta, GA., on June 10 – 14, 2017

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

Emerging Issues in Human Rights: August 8 – 18th at Global College. Our Club supports two students to attend this University course (\$1,600)

Rotary Adventures in Human Rights: August 13 – 19th in Winnipeg. Half of the classes are held at the Canadian Museum of Human Rights and the other half are field work out in the community. We support three students to attend RAHR.

RYLA – Rotary Youth Leadership Award camps are being held at the Anglican Church camp at Clear Lake. The camps focus on leadership skills, development issues and recreational activities. Basic Camp – July 31 – August 5, 2017. Advanced Camp – August 7 – 12, 2017. Our Club is sponsoring two students this summer.

RIBFEST 2017 – August 25 – 27th at the Forks.

www.ribfestwinnipeg.ca

PEACE DAYS: September 15 – 24, 2017

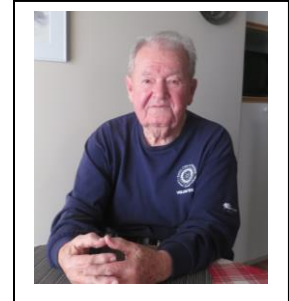
<http://www.peacedays.ca/>

"Rotary Day at the United Nations" will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on November 11th. Is anyone going to be in Geneva at that time?

HEALTH & WELLNESS:

Earlier in the month, I visited Frank Hornung, Art Jonasson and Dick Mulder. I almost always learn something new on each visit.

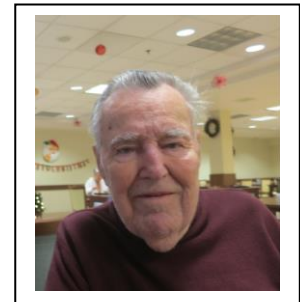
Frank Hornung celebrated his 88th Birthday in early May. His wife passed away last September, and his son shortly after. So as you might guess, he feels a little lonely in his big house in St. Vital. He is considering his options for the future. We talked about his time with Cambrian Excavators, which is part of the Terracon Development group of companies



He grew up in the eastern part of Germany and was a soldier for 4 months, and ended up in a Russian Prisoner of War camp. After the war, and with the help of the Red Cross, he made contact with an uncle living in Winnipeg. The uncle encouraged him to come to Canada. He then discovered that he needed to get to the western part of Germany to emigrate to Canada. After waiting for two years, he was finally able to get on a ship to Canada. His wife followed 7 months later.

Frank also renewed his membership for 2017/18

Art Jonasson is currently 91 years old and has been married for 67 years. He lives at Lions Manor on Portage & Sherbrook. Art and his wife are both at Lions Manor but in different parts of the facility. He sees her three times a day. He is a polio survivor (infantile paralysis).



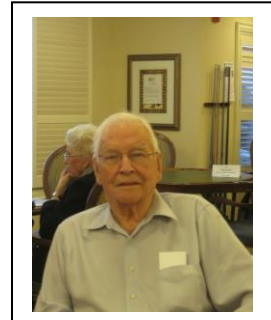
He would like his daughter Joan Gillis to become a member of Rotary. Joan is Development Officer with Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, and is married to Richard Gills, Artistic Director, Winnipeg Jazz.

Art has renewed his membership for 2017/18

Dick Mulder is 94 year old. He has been living at River Ridge north of the Chief Peguis bridge for 4 years. He has difficulty speaking. His voice is little more than a whisper.

He has had 4 operations on his vocal cords but nothing has helped. Dick use to own Mulder Construction which he sold several years ago to Maple Leaf Co. Dick nominated Sarah Mulder for membership in our Club. Sarah is no longer a member but is still involved with MUNA. Dick informed me that Sarah is expecting a baby.

Dick has been involved in Rotary for 40 years. He always speaks very positively about his Rotary experience. Because of his voice and mobility challenges Dick has decided not to renew his membership. But he still likes to see people.



Myrna King: I talked with Myrna King on June 21st and she had just moved into her new Condo at Starlight Village at 1112 – 65 Fiorentino St. She said her telephone and e-mail are still the same. She was very excited and very tired from all the moving, but some of her family were there with her. Myrna's father is 96 and currently in hospital.



A Rotarian is someone who, through their efforts:

- Digs wells from which they will never drink
- Restores eyesight for those they will never see
- Builds houses they will never live in
- Vaccinates children they will never meet
- Plants trees they will never sit under
- Educates children they will never know
- Feeds hungry people, regardless of colour, race or politics
- Knows real happiness



ROTARIANS, ROTARY & ROTARY ALUMNI IN THE NEWS:

Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, GA., June 10 – 14th.



#1 Nancy & Frank Cosway

#2 Nancy and Elaine Thompson (Charleswood Club)

#3 Jude exchanging our Club banner with a Rotary Club from India

#4 Jude & Rita with RI President John Germ

Rotary Foundation named World's Outstanding Foundation for 2016.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-foundation-named-worlds-outstanding-foundation-2016>

RECENT EVENTS:

Manitoba Marathon was held on June 18th and Sid Ritter organized a group from our Club to staff a watering station during the event. Thank you to all the volunteers.



RBC Day of Service donated \$1,000 to the Newcomers Youth program which is one of the groups being supported by RIBFEST 2017. On May 31st three Rotary volunteers (Peggy, Bagula & Brent) and three RBC volunteers worked three hours with Newcomers staff to organize & collate material for their summer learning program.

RBC Day of Service donated \$1,000 to the CanU mentoring program which is the other group being supported by RIBFEST 2017. On June 1st three Rotary volunteers (Ernie & Leona Shewchuk and Nancy) and three RBC volunteers attended a Goldeyes game along with 120 parents and CanU students and volunteers.



RECENT ROTARY GRANT PRESENTATIONS:

Frontier College Indigenous Summer Literacy Camp was presented with a grant for \$1,000 to support their staff training program. The cheque was presented to Allie Karasiuk, Camp Coordinator. Talk with Nancy if you are interested in attending any of their Leadership Training program on July 4 – 7, 2017.



CSI – Community School Investigators were presented with a grant of \$6,500 to support their summer learning enrichment program. The cheque was presented to Robyn Peters, CSI Program Manager by Nancy Cosway, Director, Community Services Committee.

Youth Employment Services – YES Manitoba was presented with their final grant of \$1,000. The was presented to Karen Velthuys, Executive Director, YES Manitoba (centre) and Denise, one of the current clients who is planning to study Accounting at the Asper School of Business. They are expecting to have 150 students for their summer program. Norm Podolski a past member of our Club, was the Project Champion and sat on the Board of YES Manitoba along with Art Jonasson.



RIBFEST 2017 Update

ROTARY CLUB OF WINNIPEG

RIBFEST 2017

SAVE THE DATE

AUGUST 25 – 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM
AUGUST 26 – 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
AUGUST 27 – 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

FESTIVAL STAGE AT THE FORKS

MEDIA SPONSOR
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Help us "CREATE LEADERS FOR TOMORROW"
FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TO LOCAL YOUTH PROJECTS

WWW.RIBFESTWINNIPEG.CA

THREE BIG RIBBERS:



NEWEST SPONSORS include:



RAFFLE Tickets are available:

Contact Nancy Cosway

Potential Earnings:

Big Prize Raffle	\$10,000
50/50	\$5,000
Silent Raffle	\$1,500

Help us sell all of the Tickets.

Rotary Club of Winnipeg RIBFEST
 243 - 375 York Ave, Winnipeg, MB R2C 3J3

REGULAR RAFFLE

1st Prize: 2 West Jet Tickets anywhere West Jet flies (value \$2,700)
 2nd Prize: Napoleon 3 Burner Propane BBQ (value \$699.99 from Canadian Tire, Southdale)
 3rd Prize: 50" Seiki Smart HD TV (value \$527.99 from Jay Crowley, Friend of CanU)
 4th Prize: HP Envy Tablet and Keyboard- refurbished (value \$599.00 from Powerland)

Draw date August 27, 2017, at 6 pm, at the Festival Stage Area of the Forks.
 Last ticket sales will be at 5 pm on August 27, 2017.
 All draws are open to all ticket holders. Winners will be contacted by phone.
 No cash in lieu of prizes. Winners must be 18 years of age or older.

1480 Tickets printed
 Serial Printing Ltd.
 License No. SGA2855-RF No. 0201 Tickets 3 for \$20.00

RIBFEST Social Media:

Website: www.winnipegribfest.ca

Facebook: RIBFEST 2017

E-mail: ribfestwinnipeg@gmail.com

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcJ6aU8W25A>

PROJECT REPORTS:

"Rotary D5550 World Peace Partners - PEG - Presentations provided by Heather Block (United Way) & Charles Thrift (IISD) representing PEG and exploring connections to the Global Peace Index on Sep 24 2016 at the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg, Canada. PEG is Winnipeg's community indicator system, measuring the health of our community year over year – in ways that count. It is the starting place for Winnipeg citizens, educators, policy makers, and many others to learn more about our city so we can lead change to create a better city for our children and their children. Learn more at www.mypeg.ca

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BXD48uEAGU4&feature=youtu.be>

Breaking Barriers Building Bridges: We have completed the first year of our Honouring Indigenous Peoples committee's "Breaking Barriers Building Bridges" project in collaboration with Community Education Development Association Winnipeg. The program is intended to build bridges between indigenous and non-indigenous high school students in our city as part of the Reconciliation process. It turned out to be a great success and we used this first year as an opportunity to receive feedback from the students, teachers and elders. We are in the process of revising the program for next year based on this feedback. We produced a video which will give members a good idea of the impact of the program. The video can be accessed at :

<https://vimeo.com/216238902> It is only 9 minutes long and is well worth watching.

Questions and comments should be directed to me (sereddy@shaw.ca).

South Africa:

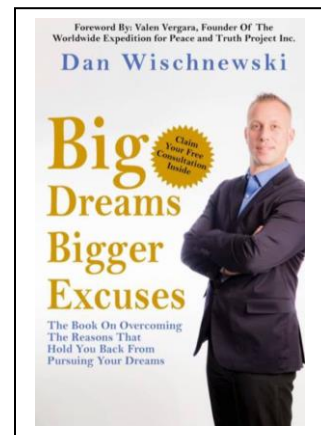
Mpophomeni Education Project #2: You may remember the success of our Mpophomeni education project in 2015. Our major contribution of \$12,000, along with smaller contributions from other partners, resulted in a Rotary Global Grant of over \$50,000. Among the goals of the project was the purchasing of computers and TVs along with the training of the high school teachers to access lessons from the Internet. English is



not the first language of students or the teachers so these lessons proved to be of great importance so much so that the Grade 12 pass rate in that year jumped from 40 to 70%. Other rural schools requested the same equipment and training so we contributed to another Global Grant application to provide the same service to an additional 10 rural schools. The great news is that this grant has just been approved by Rotary International and the project is about to begin.

RECENT SPEAKERS include:

Dan Wischnewski: On April 15, 2015 Dan spoke to our Club and indicated that he wanted to become a motivational speaker and publish his first book. On June 7, 2017, Dan returned to our Club to speak as a skilled motivational speaker and a recently published author of “Big Dreams Bigger Excuses – The Book on Overcoming The Reasons that Hold You Back From Pursuing Your Dreams.”



In his book and presentation Dan says “One of the biggest turning points in my life was at a Rotary Club meeting.” He also talked about the healing effect of volunteering. He volunteered as a Rotarian. Currently, he gives back by volunteering at a United Way program that helped him with his challenges in his earlier life.

Congratulations Dan. We look forward to you renewing your membership in our Rotary Club.

Elly Hoogterp: On June 14th Elly spoke about “Helping People in Nicaragua – One Step at a Time.” For more on “Operation Walk” click on the YouTube link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mk0--7j5nf0>



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