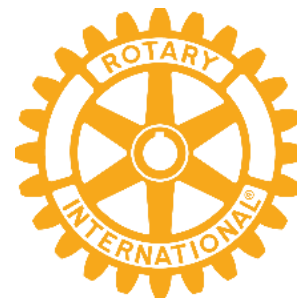


Rotary Club of Winnipeg



ROTARY NEWS, and MORE....

November 17, 2017

Editor's Note: Welcome to the first issue of our Rotary year 2017-18. I am struggling with some "getting started" procrastination. There are so many things to report on since the last issue of "Rotary News and More" on June 26, 2017. A lot has happened over the past five months including:

- New Rotary Year & New Board – July 1st
- RIBFEST 2017 – August 25 – 27th.
- Peace Days 2017 – September 11 – 21st.
- Kinston Visit – October 18 – 23rd.
- World Polio (Eradication Day) – October 24th.
- Remembrance Day – November 11th.

RECENT & UP-COMING EVENTS:

August 25 – 27, 2017: **RIBFEST 2017**, at the Forks.

September 11 – 21, 2017: **Peace Days 360**

October 18 – 23, 2017: **Visit to our Sister Rotary Club in Kinston, NC.**

October 24, 2017: **World Polio Eradication Day.**

November 8, 2017: **Remembrance Day (Nov. 11th.) program**

November 11th. **Rotary Day at the United Nations** was held in Geneva, Switzerland, on November 11th. Check out www.rotary.org for more details on the Rotary Day at the UN.

November 25th. **Rotary Leadership Institute – Modules 2B & 3:** Winnipeg, November 25, 2017, 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM at the Clarion Hotel. This is an excellent training and refresher program for new and long-time members.

December 20th. **Holiday Season Family** evening program

January 17, 2018 **RIBFEST Cheque Presentation & Sponsorship Recognition**
Evening meeting starting at 5:30 pm.

February 23, 2018: Rotary Anniversary

April 16 – 18, 2018 Rotary Career Symposium, at the RBC Convention Centre.

May 3 – 6, 2018: Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

August 24 – 26, 2018: RIBFEST 2018

HEALTH & WELLNESS:



Charles Vida, Eva's husband, passed away on Monday, August 28, 2017 at Riverview Health Centre. The funeral service was held on September 4th at the Neil Bardal Funeral Centre. A heartfelt eulogy was presented by Eva's brother Joe. Many Rotarians were in attendance.

Nancy Lambert, Bert Lambert's wife, passed away on October 26, 2017, at the Palliative Ward at St. Boniface Hospital. A Celebration of Nancy's Life was held on her birthday, at the Niakwa Golf Club on Sunday, November 5th. Nancy 3 children spoke about their mother and the lesson they had learned. Several Rotarians attended.



NEW ROTARY YEAR & NEW BOARD

BOARD OF DIRECTORS for 2017-18

Executive:

President	Eva Vida
Past President	Atanu Chaudhuri
Pres. Elect	Trevor Stark
Secretary	Elly Hoogterp-Hurst
Treasurer	Brent Jorowski

Directors:

Membership	Cynthia Brick
Community Service	Nancy Cosway
International Service	Strini Reddy
Youth Service	Peggy Maycher
IT Services	Jacques Page
Public Relations & Social Media Advisor	Rick Walker Sid Ritter

INTRODUCING OUR PRESIDENT FOR 2017-18

Our President for 2017-18 is **Eva Vida**. Eva is a practicing Financial Planner at Sun Life Financial. Prior to opening her own practice she worked in the banking system for 25 years.

Eva joined Rotary in 1992, and has been a Member and President of the Rotary Club of Winnipeg.

Currently she is the Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for Zone 24 West and:

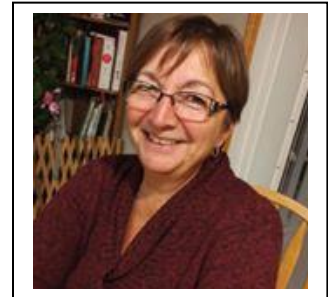
- Eva served as the Chair of the Rotary International Zone Institute Zones 24-32 for 2016.
- Served as RI President's Representative to District 5240 in October 2016

She was team leader for a Vocational Training Team for D5550 to Guatemala in February 2017.

She served as District Governor in D5550 in 2011-12. She also has held various District positions in district 5550.

Eva is a Rotary Foundation benefactor and a Paul Harris Society member.

Eva was married to Charles (who passed away on August 28th, 2017). Both immigrated to Canada from Hungary. They have a daughter and son and 3 grandchildren, all living in Winnipeg.



DO YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION FOR A SPEAKER?

Please contact Trevor Stark who is the **Speaker Coordinator** for speakers for our weekly meetings.

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RIBFEST 2017 - A Big Success:

We reached our goal of **10,000** plus attendees and raised **\$20,000** for two local youth groups. Thank you to: All our Volunteers, All our Sponsors & Donors, and All the people who attended.



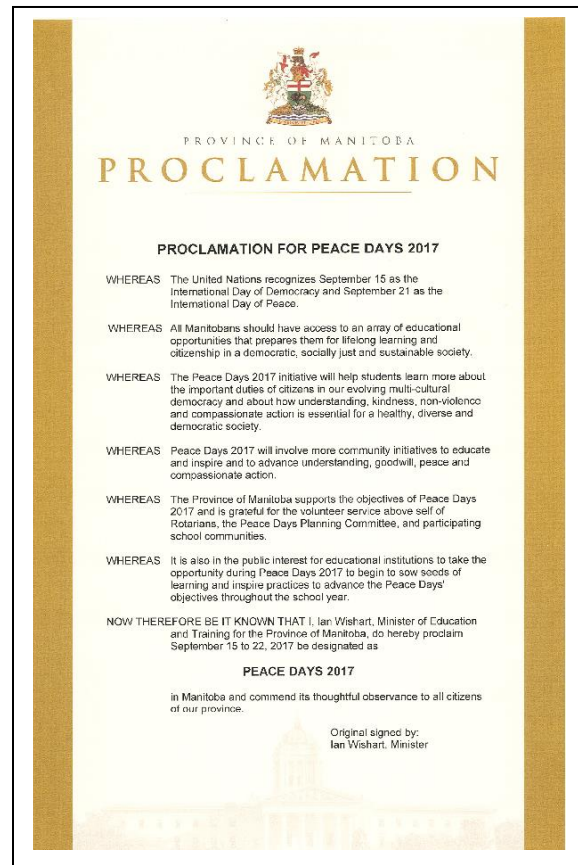
PEACE DAYS - 2017

This year's Peace Days events ran from September 15 till 24, 2017. This was Year 8 for Peace Days. The event has grown from a small noon-hour Peace Concert to the current 10 day event featuring 15 sessions involving numerous speakers, workshops and related Peace events.

Over the 8 years, over 17,500 participants have been directly impacted by the Peace Day events.

Check out the Peace Days website for more information on the many events, speakers and videos.

<http://www.peacedays.ca>



SISTER CLUB VISIT TO KINSTON, NC. – October 18 – 23, 2017



The Winnipeg group that went to Kinston, NC included (front row left to right: Verna Hryhorchuk, Nancy Cosway, & Leona Shewchuk, and in the back row Frank Cosway, Don Ross, Ian Baker & Ernie Shewchuk)

As usual, the trip included:

- Lots of southern hospitality
- Dining & Eating, plus
- Tour of Spirit Aerosystems
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tU3usTOslAs>
- Attending Rotary Club of Kinston mtg.
- Presentation of a Paul Harris
- Tour of Lenoir Community College
- Visit to Swansboro & Beaumont
- Trip to the beach houses at Atlantic Beach
- Sunday evening at the Parry Fun Farm



WORLD POLIO (ERADICATION) DAY – October 24, 2017

Speaker: Donna Carreiro, CBC Radio Current Affairs Producer
Topic: Post-Polio Syndrome



Donna told a very moving personal story of her father's courageous struggles and challenges with Post-Polio Syndrome (PPS) and his recent death, 8 months ago. He had great difficulty getting a diagnosis of PPS because of the limited awareness and knowledge of PPS amongst the medical profession and health care providers.

We have people in our Rotary membership who are polio survivors, or have family who were affected by polio. They include: Cynthia Brick, Art Jonasson, Ken Krebs, and Rany Jeyaratnam.

It will be a great accomplishment once we (Rotarians) are able to eradicate Polio, but there will still be a lot of work to do to address the needs of the millions of polio survivors around the world.

Google "Post-Polio Syndrome" for more information or click on the links to Donna's articles below:



Photo of Strini Reddy collecting the Proclamation from Premier Brian Pallister. (The Premier's father was a polio survivor.)



Post-Polio Syndrome:

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/post-polio-syndrome-facts-1.4061084>

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/polio-survivors-post-polio-1.4055557>

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We held our Remembrance Day program on November 8th. The Speaker was Honourary Colonel Nick Logan speaking about the changes taking place within the Canadian Armed Forces and the new recruitment goals for the Reserves.

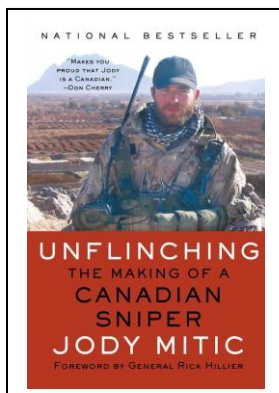
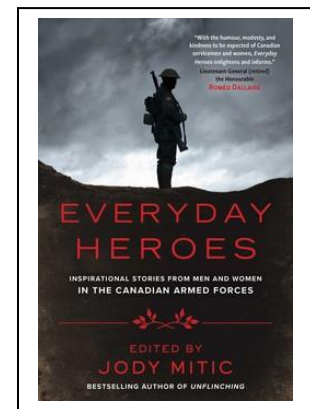


Over the past few years, as I have been reading several books about various war efforts, peace keeping & peace making activities of the Canadian Armed Forces, I have developed the feeling that “Everyday should be Remembrance Day”. This feeling has been bolstered by a couple of recent winter visits to the United States where they seem to show greater respect and appreciation for their military and their veterans.

Here are a few of the books which have influenced my thinking that “Everyday should be Remembrance Day”

“**Everyday Heroes**” edited by Jody Mitic is my most recent read. It is an edited collection of “Inspirational Stories from Men and Women in the Canadian Armed Forces”.

<http://www.simonandschuster.ca/books/Everyday-Heroes/Jody-Mitic/9781501168079>



His first book, “**Unflinching: The Making of a Canadian Sniper**” is “His raw, candid, and engrossing memoir following his personal journey into the Canadian military, through sniper training, and firefights in Afghanistan, culminating on the fateful night when he stepped on a landmine and lost both of his legs below the knees.”

<http://www.simonandschuster.ca/books/Unflinching/Jody-Mitic/9781476795119>

Other good reads, in my opinion, include:

Romeo Dallaire, “**Shake Hands with the Devil – The Failure of Humanity in Rwanda**”

Romeo Dallaire, “**Waiting for First Light: My On-going battle with PTSD**”

Paul Gross, “**Hyena Road**” (A novel of Canadians fighting in Afghanistan.)

John Nadler “**Valour Road**” (The story of 3 soldiers from Valour Road in Winnipeg who received the Victoria Cross.)

Trevor Green & Debbie Green, “**MARCH FORTH. The Inspiring True Story of a Canadian Soldier’s Journey of Love, Hope & Survival**” (Trevor & his family also appeared at the closing ceremonies of the Invictus Games in Toronto in September, 2017, along Prince Harry, the founder of the Games.)

Joseph Boyden, “**Three Day Road**”

Editor’s Note:

I have finallyyyyyy finished the first Fall issue of “Rotary News and More”

The next issue will include articles on the following:

- Members changing jobs, expanding their business etc.
- New members – we have at least 6 new members this year
- Menstrual Hygiene projects in Uganda & Cambodia
- Vaccinations and The Anti-Vaxers
- And More

Please send me your Announcements, Project Updates, Photos, and anything else that you think would be of interest to Rotarians.

Thank you and enjoy reading the newsletter.

Frank Cosway