

# Rotary Club of Winnipeg



## ROTARY NEWS, and MORE....

October 15, 2019

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

After a long break for the busy summer months, this is the first Fall issue of "Rotary News and More ...." for 2019. So much has happened over the past 4 months. So much to report on.

This issue will have more text than usual and fewer photos. I personally always like to read the photos first. I will aim to have more photos in future issue.

I am using a slightly smaller font. It lets me get in more text. Please let me know if it is still readable or not.

Frank Cosway

Luncheon Speaker & Fundraiser Event

### INDIGENOUS PEACEMAKING AND TRIBAL NOTIONS OF JUSTICE

Special Guest Speaker:  
Brett Lee Shelton (Oglala Sioux Tribe),  
Senior Staff Attorney with the Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado

**Rotary**  
Club of Winnipeg



The club that  
made Rotary  
International



### The Ride for Polio Eradication and social evening

October 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Winnipeg Winter Club  
Cost \$15.00      Cash bar  
No meeting October 23<sup>rd</sup>      Contact: Nancy Cosway – 204-654-1045

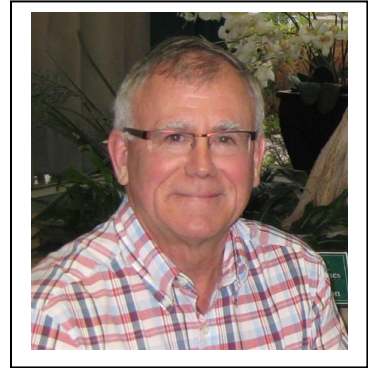


# END POLIO NOW

## NEW MEMBER: Jerry Storie

Jerry grew up on a farm near Baldur, Manitoba. He graduated from Baldur High School and attended Brandon University and the U of M.

Jerry moved north in 1975, and began his career as a guidance counselor and classroom teacher in Flin Flon, Manitoba. He was elected MLA for Flin Flon (1981-1994) and served in a number of ministerial portfolios. He was a school superintendent from 1994-2004 with Frontier School Division in the north and Turtle Mountain School Division in southern Manitoba.



In 2005, Jerry joined the faculty at Brandon University as an Associate Professor and Dean of Education. While Dean of Education, he was instrumental in the establishment of the BU Centre for Aboriginal and Rural Education Studies.

After retiring, he remained a BUCARES Research Affiliate and authored a book on First Nations student success, entitled *Becoming Family: Living and Learning at Frontier Collegiate*.

Jerry is a volunteer member on a number of boards, including the International Peace Garden and the Central Speech and Hearing Clinic. He is the Honourary President of the Youth Parliament of Manitoba and has acted as the President of the Rotary's MUNA. Jerry is also a volunteer construction worker with Habitat for Humanity. He lives in Winnipeg, with his partner Marlene, close to his grandchildren.

## ROTARY CLUB OF WINNIPEG Organization: 2019/20. Directors, Committee Chairs & Project Chairs

Prepared by: President Roy Vallance

### Community Service Committee - Director: Nancy Cosway (Chair)

#### Projects:

- Murdoch MacKay Flex
- Christmas Giving
- Inspire Community Outreach
- Peace Builder Committee: David Newman (Chair)
- Adventures in Human Rights administered by World Peace Partners: Rob Tisdale
- Rotary Career Symposium: Lucy Vogrig (Chair)
- Honouring Indigenous People Committee: Darren Swanson (Chair)
- Projects: Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges
- Frontier College Literacy
- Schools Partnerships (Winnipeg/Northern FN Communities)

### Youth Service Committee – Director: Pat Vallance.

- Model United Nations Assembly: Darren Swanson (Chair)
- Rotary Leadership Circle: Pat Vallance.

- Adventures in Citizenship: Pat Vallance.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards: Pat Vallance.
- Rotaract: Strini Reddy
- District Grants: Eva Vida

**International Service Committee - Director: Strini Reddy.**

- World Community Service Committee: Richard Whidden (Chair)
- Projects: Dabaab Refugee Camp/ Humankind International
- South Sudan Scholarships
- South Africa - Westville
- South Africa - Hillcrest
- Guatemala Scholarships
- Joya Verde - Water and Sanitation: Eva Vida, Satellite Club
- Rotary E-Club One of South Africa
- Bangladesh - Rohingya Refugees' Education
- Global Grants: Strini Reddy

**Public Relations Director: Omo Fabarebo.**

- Social Media: Omo Fabarebo
- Media: Facebook, Instagram & Twitter
- Club Website: Omo Fabarebo
- RibFest Website and Facebook: Omo Fabarebo
- Club Newsletter: Frank Cosway.
- Club Brochure: Omo Fabarebo

**Fundraising Director: Ron Reider.**

- RIBFEST: Nancy Cosway (Co-Chair), Brent Jorowski (Co-Chair)
- RIBFEST Sponsorship & Fundraising: Frank Cosway
- Permanent Endowment Fund: Glen Torgerson (Chair)
- Rotary Foundation: Eva Vida
- Polio Plus: Nancy Cosway.
- Save Coupon Books: Ron Reider

**Technology Director: Jacques Page.**

- Square: Jacques Page
- Office Equipment: Jacques Page

**Membership Director: Eva Vida**

- Membership Committee: Eva Vida (Chair)
- Satellite Club: Cameron Zywina
- Classification: Dave Johnson.

**Club Service Director: Trevor Stark.**

- Speakers Committee: Trevor Stark (Co-chair), Brent Jorowski (Co-chair)
- Social Events: Trevor Stark
- Sister Club (Kinston NC): Verna Hryhorchuk

**Officers of the Club for:**

**Rotary Club of Winnipeg (not-for-profit) and  
Winnipeg Rotary Club Community Service Fund Inc. (Registered Charity)**

- **Club President: Roy Vallance.**
- Treasurer: Jennifer Ash.
- Club Secretary: Elly Hoogterp.
- Board Advisor: Sid Ritter.
- Club Administrator: Sandy Allen.
- Nominating Committee: Brent Jorowski (Vice Chair of the Club)
- Bylaws Committees: Sid Ritter
- Sergeant-at-Arms Committee: Ian Seymour (Chair)

## IS THIS A “TEACHABLE MOMENT”?

Now some of you may be saying, “This is great information, but how do I contact these people?” If you don’t already know, I am going to tell you how to find members telephone and e-mail addresses on Clubrunner (our Club website).

- Log into to: [www.winnipegrotary.org](http://www.winnipegrotary.org) (This will take you to our Clubrunner website)
- To save time later, you can bookmark this URL
- Next, Click on “Member Login” in the upper right corner
- Next, Click on “Login”
- If you can’t Login, Click on “Forgot Login Name” or “Forgot Password”
- If you can Login successfully, Click on “Member Area” – top right
- Under “My Clubrunner” Click on “View Club Photo Directory”
- Now you should be able locate every member’s telephone # or e-mail address
- If you have any problems, please give me a call at 204-654-1045.

## CLUB PROJECTS FOR 2018-19:

Prepared By: Frank Cosway

### LOCAL PROJECTS:

**Frontier College – Indigenous Summer Literacy Camp (\$750):** The Camp aims to reduce summer learning loss and support children’s ability, enjoyment, and confidence as readers. The Camp is designed for youth ages 13 – 16 years old. (Contact: Darren Swanson)

**Lord Selkirk Day Care Book Fund (\$650):** This was a Holiday Season project in 2018 to provide children’s books for an Inner-City day care. (Contact: Nancy Cosway & Strini Reddy)

**Murdoch Mckay Flex Program: (\$1,000):** This program supports students who have difficulty achieving success within the normal school system. They receive support in the following areas: nutrition (breakfast program), academic instruction, behavioral counseling and physical education. (Contact: Nancy Cosway)

**Rotary Leadership Circle (\$5,000):** The Rotary Leadership Circle program, established in 1996, is a youth leadership development and summer work project for 165 youth ages 10 – 14 years of age, and operates for 6 weeks in the summer. (Contacts: Pat Vallance or Ron Reider.)

### **YOUTH PROJECTS:**

**Model United Nations Assembly - MUNA (\$1,500.):** MUNA was founded in April, 1957 to expose youth to the world of international politics, through participation in a simulated United Nations Assembly. The 2019 MUNA was held at the Canadian Mennonite University, with 76 delegations participating. It is a yearly event and the idea is to simulate the United Nations. The high school students taking part are tasked with learning about the country they are assigned and debating the current issues from that country's point of view. Club funds were used for fees for two delegations and updating of the MUNA website. (Contact: Donna Alexandra & Darren Swanson)

**Rotary Adventures in Citizenship (Ottawa) (\$1,200.):** 200 Students are chosen from across Canada for this life changing experience. Each club can send one student. The student selected by the club must send in a detailed application & write an essay about what it means to be a Canadian. The program takes place in Ottawa and lasts for four days. The student stays with a Rotarian family & takes part in a very full schedule. The student must be between 16 & 18 yrs. (Contact: Pat Vallance)

**Rotary Career Symposium:** The "Rotary Clubs of Winnipeg Career Symposium" (established in 1997) An estimated 12,000 students and teachers attend the two day event in April each year. There were over 200 exhibitors and 70 speakers. The event is organized by a Board made up of representatives from the 8 Rotary Clubs in Winnipeg. 250 volunteers, mainly Rotarians, are recruited each year to staff the event. Our Club was heavily involved in the organization of the event. (Contact: Lucy Vogrig)

**Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) (\$500):** We send 2 students each year to this 5 day recreational and leadership development camp. (Contact: Pat Vallance)

### **INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS:**

**Guatemala (Joya Verde) Water & Sanitation Project (\$10,000):** The project will build bathrooms in 95 homes and connect the homes with water and sewer lines. Our new Satellite Club has undertaken to raise \$10,000 for this project which will be matched by a \$10,000 District Grant. (Contact: Cameron Zywina)

**Guatemala – San Pedro Scholarships:** This is an ongoing project in partnership with St Andrews River Heights United Church who are committed to an annual contribution of \$13,000 of which our club contributes \$1,000. (Contact: Elly Hoogterp)

**Kinston Hurricane Relief Appeal (\$1,650):** Our Sister Rotary Club in Kinston, North Carolina experienced severe damage from a hurricane in Sept/Oct 2018. The funds were sent to be used with Youth impacted by the hurricane. (Contact: Frank Cosway)

**Polio Plus – End Polio Now – We are This Close: (\$1,500):** Polio Plus is part of a global Rotary campaign started in 1986. Great progress has been made. But much important work still remains to End Polio Now. (Contact: Nancy Cosway)

**Rotary International Foundation (US\$5,540):** The Club members donate a minimum of US\$50 per member to the RI Annual Fund in order to qualify for Global & District Grants.

**South Africa:** This project started 15 years ago providing support to AIDS orphans. As the young people have grown up, the project has expanded it's services to provide life skills and trades training, vocational training for women in the community (eg. Sewing & dressmaking), and micro-enterprise and small business skills training. Two Recent Global Grants include:

- Phase 2 Training for Early Child Care Workers (USD10,000) and
- Construction of Sanitation Facilities for Gillets School (USD10,000)

This project is fully funded by the fundraising efforts of Strini Reddy, and Rotary Global Grants. (Contact: Strini Reddy)

**South Sudan Scholarship & Educational initiative (\$3,600.):** This project is a small scholarship program to support 4 South Sudanese student refugees who are currently living and going to school in Kenya. (Contact: David Atem )

#### **WORLD PEACE PARTNERS:**

- Peace Builders Committee
- Rotary Adventures in Human Rights (RAHR)
- Emerging Issues in Human Rights (EIHR)
- UNESCO Associated Schools Project & Peace Education
- Peace Days 365 & Festival of Peace & Compassion
- Peace Literacy
- Positive Peace & Global Peace Index
- (Contact: David Newman)

#### **HONOURING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (HIP) RECONCILIATION INITIATIVES:**

HIP will nurture and strengthen partnerships between Indigenous students in northern First Nations community schools and non-indigenous students in southern schools. This will enhance and further reconciliation through increased understanding and friendships. Students will connect through social media, face to face visits, and team work to get to know each other better, while addressing community issues. (Contact: Darren Swanson & Strini Reddy)

HIP Reconciliation Initiatives has included:

- **Hollow Water First Nation Partnership** which included a field trip to Wanipigow. The students from Winnipeg responded to a recognized a need for warm clothing.
- **St. Theresa Point & Pauingassi** requested winter clothing (35 boxes), social studies books (7 boxes) and library books (25 boxes).
- **Three Day – Joint Professional Development session in Winnipeg.** 100 staff from St. Theresa Point spent 3 days with their counterparts from Lois Riel School Division – learning, sharing and developing long term friendships.
- **North – South School partnership formed.** Ten southern students & two staff visited St. Theresa Point (STP) for three day field trip. Next year STP students will come south.



- **Hockey equipment** requested and provided to Pauingassi.
- **Summer Learning Loss Prevention program** being developed for remote First Nation children.
- **Training youth leaders for Recreation & Read program** being developed.
- **Board Games & Laptop computer and learning programs**
- **Little Grand Rapids:** Program to provide 20 bicycles, bicycle maintenance training and potential long term micro enterprise opportunities.

## ROTARY “PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND (PEF)”

On October 9, 2019, **Glen Torgerson**, Chair of the Permanent Endowment Fund presented President **Roy Vallance** with a cheque for \$8,000. This brings the PEF contribution to the **Winnipeg Rotary Club Community Service Fund Inc** for 2018-19 to \$44,000. These are discretionary funds which the Club may use to support Club projects. These funds come from the interest earned on the PEF. The PEF currently has over \$1.0 million dollars.



For more information, contact Glen Torgerson

## GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS AND WHAT THEY DO FOR ROTARY:

**Eva Vida** is our **Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for Zone 24 West.**



In addition to our club, I work at the District level in our own District 5550 as well as at the Zone level at Zone 24 West. Zone 24 West includes 7 districts across Western Canada, Washington State and Alaska.

My role is to provide support on all Foundation matters to each of these districts based on their particular situation. Support will involve discussions with the leadership of each district via email, telephone or in person.

I am frequently a guest speaker at Foundation events and at training sessions such as the President Elect Training Sessions and District Assemblies. I was in attendance and presented at 3 district training events in western Canada during March-May of 2019.

I am also involved in providing support and training at Zone conferences. This year's Conference was just held in September in Niagara Falls. My work there included the preparation and facilitation of a full day training session for District Rotary Foundation Chairs and other senior leaders from districts. At the same time, I managed the VIP slate and speakers for the event and was appointed to serve as the Aide to the Trustee Gulam Vahavaty who joined us from India, for a 5 day period.

I provide training to a number of districts via Webinars in order to assist with getting clubs certified and eligible for grant funding in each district. My role includes the preparation and then the presentation of these 2 hour sessions and in a typical year, there will be more than a dozen of these delivered with 6 already scheduled for the month of November 2019 for our district.

My position also holds a spot on the board of The Rotary Foundation Canada which involves regular monthly meetings, responsibilities for reviewing and approving applications for government of Canada grants from across the country and running training webinars for grant applications in this area. Two such webinars are scheduled and will be run on October 29th this year.

I work with a team of two assistants, an Endowment and Major Gift officer and a Polio Plus team member.

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