# **FORTARIAN** WEDNESDAY 26/02/2025 THUNDER BAY, CANADA

# Meetings



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2nd & 4th Wednesdays

Dinner - 5:30pm Meeting - 6:15pm

> Daytona's Restaurant 965A Cobalt Crescent

### 2024-2025 Board of Directors

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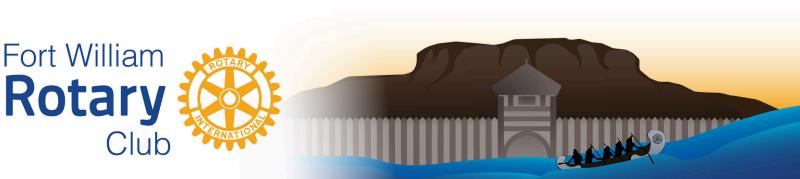


Glenn Craig Club President



Stephanie Urchick RI President

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## LAST MEETING

In President Glenn's absence, Jodi, President-Elect rang the bell and called the meeting to order. As always, our club sang our National Anthem which was then followed by Sharon Badanai providing the Toast to the King of Canada. Bev Knutson read the Land Accord. Jodi acknowledged Robert Moore and Brian Phillips as we haven't seen them in a while! Past-President Irene proudly introduced our quest speaker! Irene's hairdresser, Nicole Kowal, who is the Director of the Northern Ontario branch of Hemophilia Ontario. Nicole has a mild case of hemophilia and being a carrier, both of her children also have mild cases. Nicole provided the club an overview of different bleeding disorders and different treatment options - some of which are very expensive and require travel to receive so therapies.

IV Treatments are one of the most common therapies for managing hemophilia; however, there is NO one trained professional in North Western Ontario in hemophilia pediatric IV treatments – children are actually taught to run their own IV's. Family training is key to surviving blood disorders. There is a special camp for children with hemophilia because they can't attend regular camps due to their blood disease – fundraised dollars are very helpful to support kids to attend this special camp.

Nicole also provided the club with other ways fundraised dollars can support their organization. Nicole's presentation was followed by some Q&A. President-Elect Jodi thanked our speaker.



### **CLUB UPDATES**

#### Allocations

• Stephen provided an Allocations Committee update. He reminded everyone about the March 26 Partnerships Reception to be held at the Italian Hall. He also reminded everyone to wear their name tags. It was suggest that Glenn's speaking notes should have a call to action by encouraging our partner charities to join our club as corporate members.

#### **House Lottery**

• The licence is still currently under review by the AGCO and the house build appears to be on-track.

#### Lighter Side

 Brian provided the club with a lighter side story about the antics of his 91 year old friend who recently passed away. He said 91 Eleanor Barr was a remarkable woman and a historian – she was also an author. He gave examples of her sharp whit and naughty sense of humour!.

### Next Meeting: Mar 12

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