# Rossbrook Circle

"No child who does not want to be alone, should ever have to be" -Sister Geraldine MacNamara

## No Child Alone Dinner Recap

For only the 2nd time in 43 years Rossbrook
House held a fundraising gala. The No Child Alone dinner was held for almost 600 guests in January.
Rossbrook participants, along with Patricia
Mainville and Matthew Mousseau, shared their

dance. Each of the guests received a decorated tile made by participants and students. Young speakers Dale, Drayton, Alois and Autumn thanked Rossbrook House's 3 core funders as well as private donors. They also shared what makes Rossbrook House special for them. Thank you to all of our guests, sponsors, supporters and volunteers who helped to make this night a success!

SAVE THE DATE

ROSSBROOK HOUSE POW WOW Thursday May 16, 5:30pm

ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING Thursday June 20, 8–9am ALL ARE WELCOME!

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### JUNE IS THE GREAT CANADIAN GIVING CHALLENGE!

Every \$1 donated\* made to Rossbrook via rossbrookhouse.ca is an automatic entry for Rossbrook House to win a \$10,000 donation. Stay tuned to Rossbrook's social media for more information.

\*minimum \$3 donation required

#### SPRING IS UPON US, AND WITH MAY COMES LEAVE A LEGACY<sup>™</sup> MONTH ACROSS CANADA.

To those, known and unknown, who have made a Planned Gift to Rossbrook House. Foundation, THANK YOU! Those who are known, makeup our Legacy Circle, and include Caroline Hunter.

Caroline first learned about Rossbrook House during her time as a student at St. Mary's Academy. During this time she was taught by Sister Marylyn and had the opportunity to hear Sister Gerry speak. It was the St. Mary's connection that led to Caroline being recommended to Sister Lesley in the early 2000s when the Rossbrook board was looking for an accountant to join them. Being a firm believer in providing youth with opportunities and giving back to the community, Caroline agreed to join.

During her 15 years on the board, Caroline's appreciation grew for the work Rossbrook does and the people involved, leading her to become a monthly donor and a member of the Legacy Circle. Caroline believes her gifts are a small way to help Rossbrook continue – "Rossbrook has been doing great work for 40+ years and I hope it continues well into the future to be a safe place for children and youth to belong, play, learn and become..."

For others considering making a planned gift, Caroline says; "Do it! Pick an organization that is meaningful to you and specify your wishes in your will so that they are met. Rossbrook is a wonderful organization and I plan to continue to support it throughout my lifetime and beyond."

Rossbrook House Foundation is equipped to accept planned gifts via bequest, publicly listed securities and gifts of life insurance. Interested in joining our Legacy Circle or want more information? Please contact Tom Thompson at 204.949.4097 or tthompson@rossbrookhouse.ca or visit us online at **rossbrookhouse.ca/foundation/planned-giving**.

# Rossbrook House is very fortunate to have relationships with many generous organizations who share their knowledge, venue or time with the participants!



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Future scientists in the making, learning about the heart, DNA and much more over several visits to the **Youth BIOLab Jeunesse** at the **St. Boniface Hospital Albrechtsen Research Centre**. For the 3rd year in a row Rossbrook and IRCOM had **FortWhyte Alive** all to ourselves and were treated to outdoor winter fun. The squeals and laughter were bountiful!

Volunteer bakers from **Cakes for Kids Winnipeg** have been providing birthday boys and girls with gorgeous and delicious cakes. The talent and generosity is inspiring!



Eagles' Circle girls group meets bimonthly with their teacher **Robyn Flamand** and **Hugh John MacDonald staff** to work on projects or crafts together. It's a safe space where they are free to discuss whatever they like. The **2019 Winter Games** were held at the end of January on one of the coldest weeks we'd had up until then. That did not stop the participants of all ages taking part in the competitions and fun like the Inuit blanket toss.

#### Sister Margaret Hughes and Sister Bernadette O'Reilly (Sisters of Sion)

are making a new home with the Sion community in Saskatoon. It's hard to imagine Rossbrook House being what it is today without their influence. We are forever grateful for their guidance, kindness and unwavering support and friendship!