



Transcript

**Infrequently Asked Questions – Winnipeg North  
Roger F. Poisson (People's Political Power Party)**

**What is a pressing issue unique to your riding, and what would you do about it?**

Poisson believes that hope and opportunity for youth is the key to his riding's success.

"The young deserve to have a future, and hope for the future. Many of them are discouraged because they've made mistakes in the past," said Poisson.

"We don't want to create a society where people are penalized for making mistakes. People have a right to move forward, and that can be done if we respect the young, if we love the young, if families model for their children, love and respect."

**What do you like least about politics?**

"Hope is never created," said Poisson.

"Happiness is just not there, no matter what they promise. There's a lot of fight, a lot of arguing in politics -- people aren't working together."

Poisson wants to be part of a process in which people work together.

"Where we respect one another, where we come to the table and talk to one another. To avoid the fighting -- fighting costs a lot of money and doesn't get you anywhere and it certainly doesn't make anyone happy."

**What is your riding's best-kept secret?**

Poisson believes his riding's youth are its best-kept secret.

Poisson chose to run in the Winnipeg North riding because "it's the toughest riding, it has a lot of social, economical problems, the lack of hope."



But, he says, "if you have faith in the young, if you give them hope for the future, if you love them, if families and if society models respect for the young . . . if you believe in the young, then we will have a wonderful future because the young are the future of Canada."

**What is the best advice you've ever received?**

"Do everything with love in your heart and you really can't go wrong," said Poisson.

He believes that "when you love someone then you have their best interest at heart."

With this knowledge, Poisson said, people "can take that to wherever they go and they can be love for everyone that they meet."

**What book could you not finish?**

Poisson said he "couldn't finish the book, any book," and that he is "always working for the people, working from the heart with love."

Poisson added he's "living the book, the book is alive and the book is love."

**What is your usual mode of transportation?**

Poisson uses a 1998 Nissan Pathfinder for the outreach program he has run since 1989, which takes him throughout Manitoba.

"You have to be able to get to places, you have to be able to get to the people, to reach the people to make a difference in their lives. You have to be there with them, it's not enough to write letters, you have to be there in person," said Poisson.

His vehicle "serves a purpose," he said.

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