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THE LATEST ON ROTARY'S POLIO EFFORTS IN ADVANCE OF WORLD POLIO DAY ON OCTOBER 24TH



"FEED THE FRONTLINE"
SWITCHES FOCUS TO
LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS



OUR LATEST FUNDRAISING NUMBERS FOR THE AUTISM SPEAKS WALK ON OCT. 30TH



NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, OCT. 26 AT 7:30AM
TREYLOR PARK RESTAURANT
PATIO - NOCATEE

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Polio

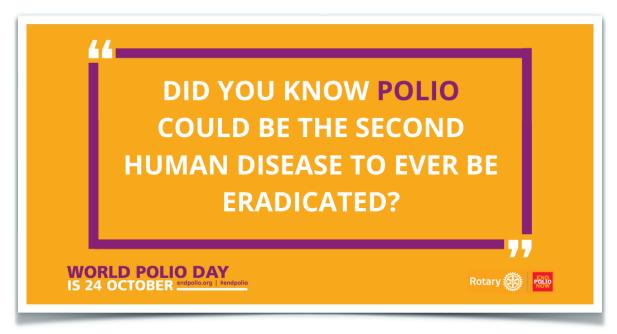
Poliomyelitis, or polio, is a paralyzing and potentially fatal disease that still threatens children in some parts of the world. Poliovirus invades the nervous system and can cause total paralysis in hours. It can strike people of any age but mainly affects children under five. Polio can be prevented by vaccines, but it is not curable. Unlike most diseases, polio can be eradicated.

www.endpolio.org/world-polio-day

PolioPlus

For more than 30 years, Rotary and our partners have driven the effort to eradicate polio worldwide. Our <u>PolioPlus</u> program was the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication by vaccinating children on a massive scale. As a core partner in the <u>Global Polio Eradication Initiative</u> (GPEI), Rotary focuses on advocacy, fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and awareness-building.

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Rotary members have contributed more than \$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments to contribute more than \$10 billion to the effort.

Polio Today

When Rotary and its partners formed the GPEI in 1988, there were 350,000 cases of polio in 125 countries every year. Today, we have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent, and just two countries continue to report cases of wild poliovirus: Afghanistan and Pakistan. Because of the efforts of Rotary and its partners, nearly 19 million people who would otherwise have been paralyzed are walking, and more than 1.5 million people are alive who would otherwise have died. The infrastructure we helped build to end polio is also being used to treat and prevent other diseases (including COVID-19) and create lasting impact in other areas of public health.

Feed the Frontline Update

On Wednesday, October 20, we will deliver meals to firefighters at 4 local fire houses as part of our "Feed the Frontline" effort. If you'd like to be involved, meet us at the Pieology in Nocatee at 5:15pm. We'll caravan to the local fire stations for meal deliveries around 6pm.

Autism Speaks Walk Update



With less than two weeks to go until our annual Autism Speaks Walk, the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra is about half way to its fundraising goal of \$5000! This year's Walk is planned for Saturday, October 30, 8AM-9:30AM, beginning at the Nocatee YMCA.

You can help right now by signing on to our Club's Walk page at http://act.autismspeaks.org/goto/pontevedrarotary. From there, there are two ways you can ensure we meet our \$5000 goal:

- **1. Come out and walk with us!** We are asking every adult who walks to make a \$25 donation and every student make a \$10 donation (Click on "Join Our Team" to get started. Once you have registered yourself you will have the option to add family members).
- **2. Become a fundraising partner!** Take 10 minutes and create your own personal fundraising page and send it to your friends and family via, text, email and social media (Once you have registered by clicking on "Join Our Team," you will have the option to set a personal goal and create your personal fundraising page).

Even if you aren't available to walk, please join the Ponte Vedra Rotary Team online and consider your personal gift to the cause of autism awareness—in whatever amount works for you. Or if you prefer, you can make your gift via the Club's Venmo account (@PonteVedra-Rotary) or by check to our newly established Ponte Vedra Rotary Foundation.



CELEBRATIONS!

OCT. 21st

Meagan & Matt Perkins celebrate their wedding anniversary. Congrats you two!

OCT. 30th

Joshua Woolsey celebrates his birthday. Happy birthday, Joshua!

UPCOMING SPEAKER SCHEDULE

Oct. 26 - Rich & Marie Turnbull, Rotary Polio Efforts

Nov. 9 - Catherine Newman of INK! (Investing in Kids)

Nov. 30 - John Churchill of Arthur Vining Davis Foundation, Keeping Local Journalism Alive

Fantasy Football League Standings

Standings Ponte Vedra Rotary 2021

East

RK	TEAM	W	L	Т	PCT	GB	PLAYOFF %
1	New England	4	2	0	.667		65
2	Aguilar Little Giants	4	2	0	.667		46
3	Team Baldwin The Baldys	2	4	0	.333	2	31
4	Team Perkins	2	4	0	.333	2	3
5	Beat Navy	1	5	0	.167	3	1

Projected Playoff Bracket | Game Lines | Final Standing Projections

West

RK	TEAM	W	L	Т	PCT	GB	PLAYOFF %
1	Team Wiltfong	5	1	0	.833		97
2	Rambling Wreck Burgess	5	1	0	.833		92
3	Me and Mahomies	3	3	0	.500	2	38
4	Nocatee Prez MB	2	4	0	.333	3	24
5	Team Lomax	2	4	0	.333	3	4

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Next Meetings

Tuesday, October 26 at 7:30am

In Person: The patio at Treylor Park Restaurant

Virtual: Zoom: ID - 388 019 0662; Password - 263 227

Speaker: Rich & Marie Turnbull, Rotary District 6970

Tuesday, November 2 at 7:30am

In Person: The patio at Treylor Park Restaurant

Virtual: Zoom: ID - 388 019 0662; Password - 263 227

Speaker: TBD

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