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Presentation by John DeMauro

The primary international project of Rotary International is polio eradication. Since 1985 Rotary has raised over 2 billion dollars in its fight against this terrible virus that has stricken millions. Rotary's Global Polio Eradication Initiative involves 4 Core Partners; The World Health Organization (WHO), The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), The United Nations Children's Fund, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and The Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI). GAVI is an international organization that provides access to new and underused vaccines for children living in the world's poorest countries.

Since 1988, when Rotary International began its worldwide polio immunization project, polio cases worldwide have reduced by 99.9%. Polio has been eradicated from all but two counties in the world (Afghanistan and Pakistan) with Nigeria (the last country in Africa) being declared "polio free" in August of this year.

An article printed by the Washington Post shared the story of a man in a woolen shawl cradling a small child in his lap. "We did not vaccinate our son. Now his feet cannot feel anything and he can no longer walk. I ask you all to vaccinate your children. If one child becomes a victim, it is a loss for all." Unfortunately, not all people in Pakistan are convinced that the vaccine is safe and children continue to contract the virus.

It is not always safe to promote and deliver the vaccine in some regions of both Pakistan and Afghanistan. Over 70 vaccinators or their guards have been killed by Islamist militants since 2011. Yet despite the dangers people like Nadia Bibi, who was shot and badly injured in 2014 continue to go door to door putting drops in the mouths of children.

As Rotarians, we are not being asked to risk our lives to save children from this dreaded disease. Instead, we are being asked to share some of our money, to give those who are risking their lives the resources they need. And as a club, we have stepped up to the plate and delivered. In the last three years, our club has given just under \$20,000 to Polio PLUS. Last year we gave \$9,587. Our goal this year is \$10,000!

CORRECTION!!!

Regarding Mike Vernon's email blast last week.

"If you wish to make a tax-deductible (*not tax free*) donation to support disaster relief efforts in the panhandle of Florida, you may do so by contributing directly by credit card or check to the District 6940 Foundation, a 501(c)(3), found at the following link:
<http://www.rotary6940.org/>"

Calendar

Club Programs

Club Events

none

Member Dates

Birthdays

10/23	Maverick Vonherbulis,
10/26	Melissa Brzezinski

Wedding Anniversaries

10/22	Ryan McDonald - Tarah / 4 Years
10/14	Jack Clayton - Gay - 42 years

Member Anniversaries

10/27	George Syme - 9 years
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We will be going back to face to face meetings at Heathrow Country Club beginning **October 15th**. Quarterly bills will reflect the decision you made when you were surveyed a few weeks ago. We will require an RSVP each week for those wanting to be served breakfast. Until further notice, all meals will be plated and all drinks and food will be served by Heathrow staff. Masks will be required. Anyone not wearing a mask will be provided one or will be asked to sit separate from the rest of the group. Social distancing will be required when both seated and standing. Please leave the facility immediately at the conclusion of the meeting. Thanks, for making sure that whatever we do is fair to all concerned.

Potential Members

Candidate	Sponsor

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