

District 6890

TRF Newsletter

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Take Action for World Polio Day: October 24th

Every year, the Rotary community mobilizes for World Polio Day to raise awareness about global efforts to end polio for good. If we stay committed, we can make polio the second human disease ever to be eradicated. There is no cure, but we can prevent the spread and paralysis with vaccinations. Did you know that with Rotary's hard work polio cases have been reduced by 99.9% since 1988? Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk. This crippling disease is only a plane ride away!

How will you take part in this year's World Polio Day? Are you hosting an event or activity? Are you getting a Proclamation or having a fundraiser? Be sure to check out the World Polio Day Toolkit. There are great resources there to help spread the word about World Polio Day and the importance of polio eradication. Don't forget to share whatever you are doing on social media and tag the district at #RotaryDistrict6890. <https://www.endpolio.org/resource-center>

NEWS WORTHY - Ukraine received close to 700,000 doses of polio vaccine from UNICEF!

THE DISTRICT 6890 ROTARY FOUNDATION GALA

You are cordially invited to attend the District 6890 Rotary Foundation Gala on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at the beautiful Magnolia Building, 702 E. Orange Street, Lakeland FL 33801.

A reception by invitation only for Major Donors and Paul Harris Society Members will be held at the Garden Bistro in the rear of the Magnolia Building from 5 to 6 pm. Cocktails for everyone in the Magnolia Room will begin at 6 pm and a plated dinner will be served at 7 pm. There will be fun and celebrating all night long! No guest speaker!

Clubs are encouraged to sponsor new members so they get to meet Rotarians from around our District and see how great our Foundation is. We have received wonderful testimonials from new members that attended last year. This helps engage and retain your new members.

There will be a fabulous Silent Auction, club recognition, entertainment, great food, and more! Please wear your 'fancy' clothes and your Paul Harris medallion or pin. Dinner will include salad, entrée, and dessert, and it will all be DELICIOUS! Cash bar. Here are your main course options: Chicken Picatta, Dijon Dilled Salmon, Eggplant Bolognese. Cost is \$60 per person. Register via DACdb and we will see you there. It is going to be the BEST!

Our Registration Link is ready for you! Choose your meal and pay at: <https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77626025>

SPECIAL NOTE: We can use your help as we need Sponsors and Silent Auction Items. Please contact Mark or Irma! markscolnickdistrict6890@gmail.com or irmacole26@gmail.com Thanks!

A New Weapon in the Fight Against Polio

A modified polio vaccine, nOPV2, is offering new hope in the fight to eradicate polio. The reengineered formula has a lower risk of causing vaccine-derived poliovirus. This means it is less likely that the weakened strain of poliovirus used in the vaccine will mutate and spur outbreaks in communities where immunization levels are low. The vaccine first rolled out in March 2021. In the first half of 2022, more than 370 million doses have been administered in more than 20 countries. Learn more here: <https://www.rotary.org/en/new-weapon-against-polio>

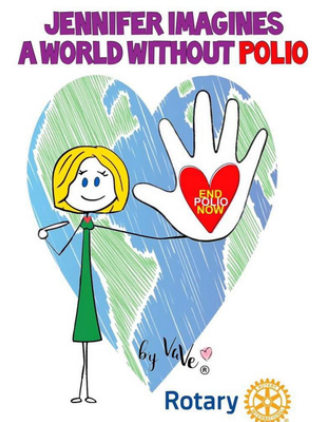
Rotary Pledges \$150 Million Toward Polio Eradication

Rotary International President Jennifer Jones appeared on the main stage at the star-studded Global Citizen Festival on 24 September to highlight Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio and announce an additional \$150 million pledge toward that end. Jones spoke in front of 60,000 people in New York City and tens of thousands more online and on TV.

Did You Know that Rotary has a Podcast?

Listen to this one about Polio!

<https://anchor.fm/rotary-international/episodes/A-New-Weapon-Against-Polio-e10ie0v>



POLIO PARALYSIS CASES

20 in Pakistan

2 in Afghanistan

7 in Mozambique

TOTAL = 29 FOR 2022



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This sample proclamation is a template you can use in working with your head of state, legislator or parliamentarian, provincial or state government, or county, city, or other officials to pass a resolution to commemorate World Polio Day on or around 24 October and publicize Rotary's accomplishments. Please remove this text box and insert the information at the bottom of this page.

Rotary International Proclamation

WHEREAS, Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who unite and take action to create lasting change in communities across the globe; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto, Service Above Self, inspires members to provide humanitarian service, follow high ethical standards, and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and in 1988 helped establish the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

WHEREAS, to date, Rotary has contributed more than US\$1.9 billion and countless volunteer hours to protecting more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary is working to raise an additional \$50 million per year, which would be leveraged for maximum impact by an additional \$100 million annually from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are providing much-needed operational support, medical staff, laboratory equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Rotary has played a major role in decisions by donor governments to contribute more than \$8 billion to the effort; and

WHEREAS, there are over [number] Rotary members in more than [number] clubs throughout this [state/province] that sponsor service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, disease, hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities and abroad;

Therefore, I, _____, [GOVERNOR/LEADER] of the [STATE/PROVINCE/CITY] of _____, do hereby proclaim [24 October OR OTHER DATE] World Polio Day in _____ and encourage all citizens to join me and Rotary International in the fight for a polio-free world.