

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.

How can you take part in this year's World Polio Day? Host an event or activity. Get a city Proclamation. Plan a fundraiser. See last month's issue for ideas. Use the assets in the World Polio Day Toolkit to help spread the word about World Polio Day and the importance of polio eradication. Post on social media. <https://www.endpolio.org/resource-center>

However you decide to get involved, register your club's participation for World Polio Day! Do so by October 13th and you'll get early access to Rotary's Global Update one week before World Polio Day. The program is scheduled to be shown on October 24th on Rotary's Facebook page and [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org).

Also, be sure to tell us about your club's WPD events so we can help you promote them! Reach out to any Committee member!

## 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 now live and ready for you! Choose your meal and pay at: <https://dacdb.com/index.html?EventID=77626025>

## The MAGIC of Rotary by PDG Mark Scolnick

If you Imagine Rotary you are magical. Yes, each and every Rotaran has the power to make MAGIC happen. Here's how.....

Recently, I was on a Zoom call about Rotary Disaster Grants for Ukraine. It started out with a recap of numbers. Pretty interesting stuff. We raised \$15 Million for this effort - thank you for your participation! As of September 14th, The Rotary Foundation has given out \$9 Million in grants. With those funds, we are saving peoples lives. People are getting water, food, shelter, and medical care of every description. All because of Rotarians - yes, that is YOU - WOW! But wait, there's more....

Then a Rotarian I know in District 7910 told how he was telling his neighbor about Rotary and what we are doing in Ukraine. The neighbor happened to be connected to a Foundation. Later that week that Foundation sent our Rotary Foundation \$100,000.00! What? Just from telling our story? Yes, that is the MAGIC of Rotary!

Another Rotarian on the Zoom call from England was helping Ukrainians with water projects. The people from Ukraine and England needed help with advice and direction. Our Rotarian knows the MAGIC of Rotary. They reached out to our Rotary Zone 34 Director Jeremy Hurst and he got Past RI President Barry Rassin involved and they are all now connected and helping.

That is the MAGIC of Rotary! This is how our Clubs grow and this is why we support our Rotary Foundation. Let's make some MAGIC happen and together we will continue to impact the world, both here at home and abroad.

All of us can talk about what our outstanding Rotary Clubs are doing in our communities and throughout the world. Tell your story and if you and your Club don't know about the MAGIC, let me know I will gladly come to your Club and show you some MAGIC.

### **POLIO PARALYSIS CASES**

**17 in Pakistan**

**1 in Afghanistan**

**5 in Mozambique**

**TOTAL = 23 FOR 2022**

### **YOUR DISTRICT 6890 FOUNDATION COMMITTEE**

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