



We meet our District Gove

From Past Prez Lonna,



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CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

We LOVE our Homestead c

From Community Service Chair Lonna,
This season we are so Thankful for what Sue
are doing for our community by housing foste

A new Corporate Members

From Membership Chair Cheri,



Midday Rotarian Denny Wi

From PR rep Mary K,

At the Gates Foundation Discovery Center World event Tuesday, October 24th, Gig Harbor Mid share a wealth of empathy, experience, and e throughout the world. Event moderator Penn asked Denny how he feels when providing th Denny replied, "To hold a baby and know the drops in their mouth is the most rewarding fe a huge difference through the simplicity of th Polio has been with us since time immemoria old. Two hundred people can be silently infec impacted by the debilitating effects. Rotary h disease for over 35 years.

There are now multiple worldwide organizatio the evening, panelists referred to GPEI. The public-private partnership led by national gov Health Organization (WHO), Rotary Internatio and Prevention (CDC), the United Nations Ch Gates Foundation and Gavi, the vaccine allian worldwide.

Panelist Ezra Teshome, also a local Rotarian v campaigns in Ethiopia for over 20 years, echo Ethiopia, Uganda, and other countries throug is a "life changing experience...when saving c

themselves.”

Tehniyat Khan from the Gates Foundation's polio program in Afghanistan and Pakistan, noted the critical importance of trusting relationships. As Denny has previous experience with the knowledge of where to find a family compound in these places and they'd bring the kids out from under the cover, we'd go into their houses to administer their shots. Polio struck Denny Wilford early. He was only 3 years old. Denny grew to walk tall and brave in his life, but he has seen countless other children from the same fate. Denny's commitment to eradicating polio led to the creation of "Drops." "Just 2 drops" because that's all it takes to prevent from getting polio. Generous grants from Rotary International and Midday Rotary Club have also helped fuel Denny's work in Ethiopia and Uganda. Lives are literally changed by the members and the volunteers who provide the infrastructure for drinking water, sanitation, medical care, and education. Rotary members have contributed more than \$1 billion to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries. Denny's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions that have provided more than \$10 billion to the effort.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. We continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If we succeed today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze a

Helping Keep Gig Harbor C

From Community Service Chair Lonna,



Cleaning Burnham Road is not easy! Lots of i
Midday Rotarians do our annual Clean-up of l
October 21st!



We're back in the Exchange

From Exchange Chair Mary Gorman,



Join us at our Weekly mee

Midday Rotary Meets at: We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 98332. Our Board meets the 4th week by Zoom.
Time: Tuesdays at 12:00 PM

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion



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A Joint Gig Harbor Rotary Program for
Awareness, Education, and Action

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death she joined the fight against systemic racism. "It's not enough to be white". She told her story of being a woman of color. Hers is just one story that represent millions of people of color of their skins.

If you have any doubts about this issue, I rec

Check us out on Social Media

from Editor Don

I mentioned earlier that our Rotarian Adison has set up our FaceBook and YouTube which had been up and running. We are asking Gig Harbor Midday Rotary to connect with us. THANK YOU, Adison, for your help!

YOUTH PROTECTION AWARENESS TRAINING

GH Midday Rotarians please note: Only a few Rotarians are so qualified. If you are among the qualified, are you interested in YOUTH PROTECTION AWARENESS TRAINING? The course takes just a little time, and is very