

Rotary



District 7670

Monday, September 23, 2019

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Sept 28 GMS/PI/Membership Training

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, September 23, 2019



On Sept, 28, we will host a half-day training session offering tips on how to "Build A Vibrant Rotary Club." One session will include the Grants Management Seminar (GMS) for anyone wanting to apply for a district grant for 2020-2021 and intensive training on The Rotary Foundation. There will also be an "Open Mic" session for you to "pitch" your club's grant ideas that may need volunteer or financial support. Don't forget this GMS is required for anyone planning to apply for a district grant in May 2020 for DGE David Waechter's year as governor!

A concurrent session will offer guest facilitators from Virginia and South Carolina providing proven strategies for membership & public image.

The event will be 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Ferguson Auditorium on the campus of AB Tech (same as our May meeting and previous years) with continental breakfast provided at no charge thanks to our friends at Ingles Markets. We will also offer the "Duke Energy Technology Lounge" from 12:30-1:30 p.m. for anyone who would like specific one-on-one assistance with DACdb or social media! Registration desk will open at 8 a.m. so come early to network and fellowship with your fellow Rotarians!

Go to the district calendar on DACdb today to sign up! You must choose one or the other, even though they will be held concurrently, because we do need a head count for each group to ensure adequate seating and food.

We are fortunate to have an amazing keynote speaker to kick off the morning - Mike Kelly, a 1992 graduate of Mars Hill University (MHU). Mike currently lives in Ohio, where he served as Rotary District 6670 Governor in 2016-17. He was recently named Vice-Chair of the MHU Board of Trustees and is a professional speaker, author and consultant in the area of performance improvement, leadership development, communication/team building and personal effectiveness. You don't want to miss this unique opportunity to hear from him!

Hope to see you there!

District Governor Nominations 2022-23

By Tiffany Ervin on Sunday, September 22, 2019

Just a reminder that the deadline for nominations for District Governor to serve during Rotary Year 2022-2023 is midnight on Friday, September 27, 2019. The Nominating Committee, chaired by IPDG Isaac Owolabi, will convene on Saturday, October 5, at 9 a.m. All candidate interviews will be held at this time and each candidate must personally appear before the committee on this day.

All club presidents have received the criteria and information necessary to submit nominations, but I'm happy to send it to anyone else who needs it. I hope you will consider nominating a member of your club as a candidate for District Governor for

Rotary year 2022-2023. Please submit the required paperwork via email to rotary7670secretary@gmail.com or you may mail it to 825 C Merrimon Ave #332, Asheville, NC 28802, but it must be received no later than **September 27, 2019**. Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information or assistance.

Polio Case in Philippines

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, September 23, 2019

Statement from International PolioPlus Chair Michael K. McGovern on circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 case in the Philippines

Through ongoing disease surveillance, the Global Polio Eradication Initiative has confirmed a circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) case in a three-year-old girl in the Philippines, along with a possible second case pending confirmation from the World Health Organization. No cases of wild poliovirus have been discovered, and the Philippines' polio-free status is not at risk.

We're saddened by this news and for the child, especially as Rotary approaches the 40-year anniversary of our first immunization project in the Philippines in 1979.

It is important to remember that cVDPVs are extremely rare and only occur in under-immunized communities. Vaccination coverage in the Philippines has been steadily declining over the past few years, and the case reported recently underscores how crucial it is to increase vaccination coverage to at least 95% of children to stop future spread of polio.

Rotary and our partners are working with counterparts and public health authorities in the Philippines to strengthen surveillance and support immunization responses in the coming weeks and months.

Rotary has a broad and active network in the Philippines—a network that has the power to raise awareness about the importance of improving immunization rates and making sure every single child is protected against polio. On Friday, 20 September, the 10 District Governors in the Philippines signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Health to work together to ensure the success of the upcoming polio immunization campaigns.

We appreciate the leadership and commitment of Rotarians in the Philippines to protect all children from polio in the country where Rotary held the inaugural polio immunization campaign.

For more information and a video on vaccine-derived polioviruses, please visit this [link](#).

Mike McGovern, International PolioPlus Committee Chair

Sell Yourself!! Membership Minute

By Lynette Dickson Lazar on Sunday, September 22, 2019

Sell Yourself!

You are a member of Rotary for a reason. Have you thought about that reason lately? What do you say when someone asks you why you spend your time participating in Rotary? Some call this your "elevator speech" and suggest that you have a short spiel ready anytime you are asked about Rotary. You can discuss your club projects, why you joined Rotary, Rotary projects such as eradicating polio in the world, or something meaningful to you that Rotary enhances in your life.

You can also discuss the lifelong friendships and relationships you gain through Rotary, the leadership opportunities that you have, the diversity of working with people who have various experiences, the ethics of Rotary and the Four Way Test, the social opportunities and ability to join others in doing good in the world, and be sure to tell them we are People of Action.

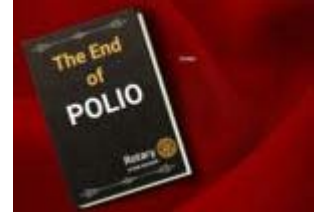
Another thing you can do is to explain the Vision of Rotary. ♦ **Together** we see a world where **People** unite and take action to **Create** lasting **Change** across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. ♦ Taking the bold words shows us that **Together People Create Change!**

[Read More](#)

Nominate A Polio Fighter!

By Tiffany Ervin on Saturday, September 21, 2019

I am pleased to share with you one of many recognitions and awards that are available from Rotary International. I encourage you to consider who may be an appropriate and worthwhile recipient of these or other awards available to us. There are numerous other local and district awards available as well. Club Presidents received a complete list of these in their PETS manual and I hope each club will consider recognizing noteworthy members, spouses and community leaders for these awards!



On 21 August, Nigeria reached three years without a case of polio caused by the wild poliovirus. This means it's possible for the entire World Health Organization African region to be certified free of the wild poliovirus next year. We know, now more than ever, that [we can and will eradicate polio.](#)

These achievements are possible because of contributions from our members. We invite you to honor Rotary members who've performed extraordinary service to end polio by nominating them for one of the following PolioPlus awards. Nominations must be received by **1 October**.

Regional or International Service Award for a Polio-Free World

Honor Rotarians who've made outstanding contributions to our polio eradication efforts since 1 November 1992. You can nominate a candidate for either their regional or international work. [Review the eligibility criteria and complete an online nomination form.](#)

PolioPlus Pioneer Award

Honor Rotarians who provided extraordinary service to our polio eradication efforts before 1 November 1992. [Review the eligibility criteria and complete an online nomination form.](#)

Each year, we receive nominations about incredible Rotarians. We encourage you to submit the strongest nomination possible by describing your nominee's years of service and highlighting their projects, participation in National Immunization Days, and leadership qualities.

UPDATES ON AVTAR'S MEDICAL CONDITION



By Christena Southwick on Friday, September 13, 2019

ASHEVILLE ROTARIAN IN
NEED OF KIDNEY DONOR

Avtar Dhaliwal, M.D., is asking for your support and consideration of his urgent need for a kidney donor. His pleas for help have not gone unheeded; there has been some response. However, the right match has not been

found. He continues to look while remaining on daily dialysis, a prognosis that will not go away until his kidney is replaced.

This is a highly sensitive medical situation and can certainly have the possibility of being fatal, an outcome that no one wants to happen.

Avtar asks that you forward his information to your Facebook friends by clicking on  share  at the bottom of this article located on the [Rotary Club of Asheville Facebook Page](#).

If there is a wish to find out more about donating a kidney to Avtar, please contact the doctor listed below:

LIVING DONOR CONTACT INFORMATION;

COLLEEN SHEEHAN, RN, BSN, CCTC

TRANSPLANT COORDINATOR-LIVING DONOR

PH # (336) 713- 5675

EMAIL: livingdonation@wakehealth.edu

Reference to the recipient:

Avtar Singh Dhaliwal

14 Points west dr.

Asheville, NC 28804

Tele: 1 (423) 914-1450

email: guravtarji@yahoo.com



Rise Against Hunger to help Bahamas-Sept 12 Update

By Tiffany Ervin on Thursday, September 12, 2019



A note from our RI Directors Stephanie & David:

You are all well aware of the tragedy Hurricane Dorian caused in the Bahamas. When tragedy met Haiti, Rotarians were immediately there, along with everyone else, to assist. Within six months, almost everyone else was gone, but Rotary is still there for the long haul, developing and building a countrywide water system with our HANWASH project.

I expect that the same will be true in the Bahamas, especially the Abacos,

which were devastated. We are currently not only raising money for relief, but Rotarians all over, especially in the Southeast, are rallying to the cause for supplies. The response is massive.

In talking with Past RI President Barry on Wednesday, in Nassau alone there are, or have enroute, over 11,000 refugees from Dorian who need shelter. Disaster housing is at capacity, and through Rotary, tents are coming in, and more buildings will be built and equipped. But FOOD will be an issue for some time to come. We already have over 400,000 prepackaged meals headed that way, but for 11,000 people at only two meals a day, that's less than 20 days of food.

Please consider a meal packaging event with the meals going to the Bahamas. [Rise Against Hunger](#) can help us coordinate the shipping of the meals through aggregating projects, but just getting the millions of meals needed in packages is our current challenge. ALL OF THESE MEALS WILL COUNT TOWARD OUR 10 MILLION MEAL CHALLENGE as well. You can get more information at their [website](#) and you can also make [online donations HERE](#).

David & Stephanie

