



# The Windjammer

## Today's speaker: Working to put polio in the past

Ann Lee Hussey of South Berwick, Maine has made the eradication of polio and the alleviation of suffering by polio survivors her life's work.

In the past 12 years she has actively participated in 25 volunteer NID (National Immunization Days) teams. She's organized and led the last 18 teams herself, choosing to take those NIDs to places that do not often see westerners — Chad, Mali, Bangladesh, Niger, Nigeria as well as less "touristy" destinations in Egypt and India — where the need is greatest and where the publicity and goodwill surrounding the trip are as critical as the immunizations themselves, as they help communicate the need for eradication.

She has shared her story and passion hundreds of times, carrying



the message of PolioPlus around the Rotary world and beyond, raising money and creating new converts to

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### RRR squad still needs players

The Juneau Rotary Club's quest to repeat as Rowdy Rotary Reunion softball champs could come to an end if the club can't put a squad on the field.

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### In memoriam: Sylvia Hartman



Sylvia Hartman, wife of fellow Rotarian Jeff and mother to fellow Rotarian Nicole Clark, passed away July 20.

A celebration of her life will be held at 6 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Glacier Gardens Greenhouse.

### Calendar

*August:*

#### *Membership and Extension Month*

• **Aug. 14:** Board Meeting, 5:15 p.m., 114 N. Franklin St.

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• **Aug. 17:** Rowdy Rotary Reunion, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sandy Beach.

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• **Aug. 20:** Club meeting. Speaker: Ken Collison, Bokan Rare Earth Deposit.

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• **Aug. 27:** Club meeting. Speaker: Reuben Yost, new Alaska-class ferry design.

### Greeters

• **Today:** Armando DeGuzman and James Alter.

• **Next week:** Bill Legere and John Blasco.

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## Cruise ship lunch coming up

The annual quad-club cruise ship luncheon is set for Sept. 17.

The lunch an excellent opportunity to bring your spouse, parents, a child who is over 5 years old or a friend.

The cost is \$35 per person, which can be paid to John Blasco. Please bring your driver's license or passport when you pay.

Security information is due by Sept. 3, so please don't delay.

## Ravindran tapped to lead Rotary Int'l in 2015-16

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka, has been selected by the Nominating Committee for

President of RI in 2015-16. Ravindran will become the president-nominee on Oct. 1 if there are no challenging candidates.

## Reunion

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General Manager David Wetzel still needs at least five more players to round out his squad, including at least one woman. Friends and family of Rotarians are eligible to play, so if you know a ringer, sign them up.

Contact Wetzel at [dwetzel@admiraltyenv.com](mailto:dwetzel@admiraltyenv.com) or 957-6481 to play.

For everyone else, the Reunion is from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at Sandy Beach. Be there!

## Polio

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the fight. She is determined that no child will needlessly have to suffer what she herself, a polio survivor, has been through. Her concern for polio survivors includes working to ensure mobility and dignity for those who survived the disease but did not have access to the kinds of surgeries and treatments that she was able to receive.

Hussey has put a face on the subject of polio eradication, winning hearts and minds and raising hundreds of thousands of dollars in the process. A polio survivor herself, the story Hussey tells is personal, and so is her fight to eradicate polio.

But for all the immunizations Hussey has herself made possible through NIDs, she considers fundraising and public awareness her most critical accomplishments. Hussey's work

has earned her the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World and the Rotary Service Above Self Award.

Outside Rotary, Hussey served as a trustee of York Hospital and currently serves on the board of Port Resources, an organization that supports developmentally challenged adults in Portland, Maine. Hussey was recently honored as a White House Champion of Change for her humanitarianism and contributions to public service, aimed at improving people's lives and making a better future around the globe. She was also recently honored at the Maine State Senate chamber for her remarkable achievements.

Hussey and her husband are Rotary Foundation Major Donors and Hussey currently serves District 7780 as PolioPlus

chairwoman. She also remains a member of the District Visioning Team, having introduced the Visioning program to her district during 2010-11, her year as governor.

She also chairs the Polio Survivors and Associates Rotarian Action Group. Previously, Hussey has served on the Reach Out to Africa Service Associates Subcommittee for 2007-10, as Zone 32 coordinator for Health and Hunger for 2009-10 and as District 7780 Annual Fund chairwoman. For 2013-14 she will serve on the Rotary International Rotarian Action Groups Committee.

Hussey is a veterinary technician who, with her Rotarian husband Michael Nazemetz, DVM, own Village Veterinary Clinic in Rollinsford, N.H.