

Kenai Rotary E News

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The march against Polio, continues

It's hard to believe, but **Rotary has been working on this for 25 years!**

It was 1985, when Rotary International launched PolioPlus, we all thought well, maybe 2 or even 5 years, and Rotary could accomplish eradication of Polio from the face of the earth. The initial pledge was \$120 million. We all dug into our pockets, excited to see something many of us grew up with, fearing or dealing with, could be wiped out. By 1988 Rotarians has raised \$247 million! But polio still ravaged Mexico, most of northern South America, all of Africa, Asia, Russia, India, and others. Look what **was** accomplished.....

- ✓ September, 1991- the **last indigenous case of polio** in the Americas.
- ✓ 1994 the **Western Hemisphere is declared polio-free.**
- ✓ 1996 the reported incidence of **polio is 85% less** than in 1988.
- ✓ 1997 in India, **134 million children are immunized** on a single day.
- ✓ 2000 the Western Pacific region, from **Australia to China is declared polio-free.**
- ✓ 2003 The Foundation raised \$119 million from Rotarians in a 12 month campaign; we have now raised **more than \$500 million**.....and only 7 countries remain polio-endemic.
- ✓ 2006 **only 4 polio-endemic countries remain**, the lowest in human history. (Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, Pakistan)
- ✓ 2009 Rotary's overall contribution to polio eradication totals nearly \$800 million,

What's left.....our match of \$200 million to the \$355 million Bill & Melinda Gates grant, let's finish the job, **it's for the children.**

www.rotary.org/EN/CONTRIBUTE

George & Mary Ford

The response has been so great, we have Monday dinners scheduled for George & Mary all the way to the Monday before Thanksgiving. A very heartfelt thank you from George, he really appreciates it.

If you would like to sign up, and didn't have a chance, see Jeff Monday.

Program Schedule:

Team 3's done Monday, whew.....

☞ September 20- Kenai River Scenic Overlook BBQ-Picnic. Congratulations Scott, and thank you Rick K. & the City staff for the BBQ.

☞ September 27- Kenai Watershed Forum

A new month & Team 4 with Capt. Trent

★ October 4 - ??????

★ October 11 ??????

★ October 18 ??????

★ October 25 ??????

Fall Rotary Events:

- ✓ September-October ?? - See the tentative schedule for Rotary Park construction.

Congratulations Scott,

a big thanks from the Mayor & a big certificate, your gazebo is beautiful, we're proud to call you a fellow Rotarian.



Now let's get on with building those picnic shelters at Rotary Park.



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Carol Bannock

Programs: February, June, October

Next Rotary Board meeting: October 8 @ noon @ Baldwin & Butler conference room~ Any member is invited

Rotary International, September Rotary theme ~ New Generations month

Ask Big Al

☞ Hey Big Al, a couple of weeks ago I read about these "Rotary bucks" in E News, when do we see those? How do we get them?

☞ The Club Treasurer is responsible for printing all Rotary money & distributing it. I think it's kinda like foreign exchange, you give him some \$ or maybe pesos, and he gives you "Rotary bucks". I think Dave is speeding the process along, he's always paying his fines with those "Rotary coins", which he makes in his garage.

"Have a question about Rotary, fishing, just about anything.....Send your questions to E News, they will be answered the following week. Remember, **Big Al knows it ALL!**"

Mya won split the pot Monday 9/13..... all \$3.50 of it!!!!

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you...

Tom Wagoner

If you make it to Rotary, we'll sing to you.....

Name the Charter Member of the Nome Rotary Club, pictured below. Chartered, October 7, 1946



Yea, good guess, it isn't the woman, since they weren't allowed in Rotary until 1983.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: ???

Who is the Alaskan pictured in The Rotarian, September issue? What is he/she doing? + name the Nome Charter member above.

The winner gets: a dozen double chocolate chip cookies!!