



# The Serving Tray

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**WORLD POLIO DAY 10/24/22:** Past RI President Ray Klingensmith and three Past District Governors, Ralph Cupelli, Matt Eichor and Jeff Romine, presented the program today. **Ralph Cupelli** began by telling us that polio eradication has been an almost 45 year effort, Before Rotary’s involvement, there were 500,000 polio victims each year. Rotary has raised \$2 billion for the polio eradication effort! Sabin live vaccine is administered to children between 2-6 months and 4-6 years. **Ray Klingensmith** said this effort began during Clem Renouf’s term as president in Australia. In

the beginning the goal was to raise \$120 million worldwide with a club goal of \$25,000. Our club raised \$45,000! Worldwide \$247 million was raised! **Jeff Romine** showed a video message from RI President Jennifer Jones that included photos from her visit with Pakistan health care workers. **Matt Eichor** said wild polio cases exist principally in two countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan. In Pakistan so far in 2022 there have been 20 wild polio cases; in 2021 there was only one. In Afghanistan so far this year there have been two wild polio cases; in 2021, there were four. Neighboring countries are at risk, A polio case in Rockland County, New York was announced on August 12 this year. A young man developed paralysis and was diagnosed with polio, the first case in the United States since 2013. He had never been vaccinated against polio and lives in a county where only about 60% of children are vaccinated. Matt said recently a reengineered vaccine has been developed. The novel oral vaccine is referred to as nOPV1. So far, the trials have shown it provides comparable protection against polio while being more genetically stable and less likely to be associated with the emergence of vaccine derived polio cases. This means that nOPV2 has the potential to be a significant tool to help stop outbreaks of polio. On October 16, the Gates Foundation announced that they will commit \$1.2 billion to support efforts to end all forms of polio globally. Rotary continues its commitment to end polio on the planet and our dollars are also needed to continue this effort. A primary source of information is the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Visit <https://polioeradication.org/>.

**50-50 Drawing:** Jeff did not pull the ace of spades or “joker” for Marie; pot now up to \$1,411.

### Guests:

- Josh Farmer** (guest of Jeff Romine)
- Blytha Ellis** (guest of Dan Waxman)
- Crystal Amini-Rad** (guest of Ray Klingensmith)

### Upcoming Programs:

- Nov. 2:** Loring Miller/The Jefferson Highway
- Nov. 9:** Crystal Amini-Rad/Update on SB30
- Nov. 16:** Rotary Foundation/Jeff Romine
- Nov. 23:** NO MEETING: Jt. Service Luncheon 11/22?
- Nov. 30:** Brett Berke/What’s Going on with Take Root
- Dec. 7:** Justin Wiles/Foster Adopt/Connect
- Dec. 14:** TBA; **Dec. 21:** Holiday Party