

is what humanizes us in times of conflict and builds a foundation for lasting peace.

Rotary remains committed to working with our members, partners, and communities to find long-term, sustainable solutions that support peace and development in the region and elsewhere.

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A NEW ANTHOLOGY OF CRIME FICTION RAISES FUNDS FOR POLIO ERADICATION

Lorraine Stevens had the motive and the means. All she needed were accomplices in her plot: publishing a collection of original crime fiction to raise money for the fight to end polio.

The idea for the anthology of short stories, published in July 2023 as “An Unnecessary Assassin,” came to Stevens last year at a literary festival in Yorkshire, England. She’d recently learned about the poliovirus reappearing in Great Britain and was talking with friends about how upset she was by the news.

“I happened to mention that polio had been found in the sewers of London,” says Stevens, a member of the Rotary Club of Scunthorpe, Humberside, England. “I found that quite disturbing. I had known polio was still around, but not as much as I went on to find out. One of my author friends said, ‘Well, you know enough authors, Lorraine. Why don’t you do an anthology and sell it for charity?’”

A former librarian who regularly attends crime-writing festivals, Stevens knew her friend was right. This was something she could do. She began asking authors she knew to donate stories for the book. Her first recruit was David Penny, the author of a well-regarded series of historical mysteries. He was eager to fight polio.

They wrote a book titled “An Unnecessary Assassin” which is about Polio. Stevens has sold the book at Rotary club meetings and crime-writing festivals all over Great Britain. It’s raised more than US\$3,000.00 so far, and its proceeds will be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

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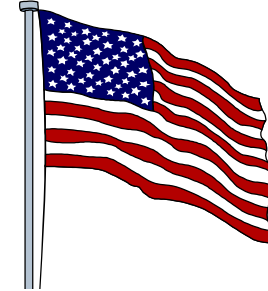
THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help to serve Thee all of our days.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS NORTH



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FUTURE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS

October 24 ----- World Polio Day
October 27 ----- Mrunalini Radkar
November 3 ----- Bill Neale ~ Lisa Stephens-Musik
November 10 ----- Rob Noble
November 11 ----- District 5790 Rotary Foundation Gala ~ Denton, Tx
November 17 ----- Board Meeting
November 24 ----- No Meeting ~ Thanksgiving
December 1 ----- Oku Okeke
December 8 ----- Jeani Secord ~ at Riverbend Nature Center
December 15 ----- Board Meeting
December 22 ----- Troy Secord (tentative)

NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING AT JIMMY'S EGG

Julie led us in the Rotary Prayer and Brandy led the club in the Pledges.

Harold Ferguson was the guest of Larry. Welcome!

The brag bucket was well fed by: Joe, Ajay (3), Linda (4), and Gary (5).
After that, the club was out of money!

A birthday was announced for Tom. Semi-congratulations!

An announcement was made that the World Polio Day will be October 24, 2023.

President-Elect Matt did a great job of introducing Kimber Hopkins of Emily's Legacy Rescue as our guest speaker. After her presentation, Rotary North presented her with a donation of \$2,500.00.

The raffle raised \$25.00 and Gary was the lucky winner. Then he drew the ace of ♥^s for a \$10.00 prize. If this week's lucky raffle winner draws the ace of spades they will win \$124.00 + ½ of what is raised today!
GOOD LUCK!



From L to R: P.E. Matt, Kimber Hopkins and President Ajay.

ROTARY STATEMENT ON THE CONFLICT IN ISRAEL AND GAZA

Recognizing there has been protracted suffering in the long history of conflict between Israel and Palestinians in Gaza, Rotary International urges all parties to seek avenues to peace.

At the same time, we unequivocally condemn the horrific attack by Hamas on Israeli civilians and are appalled at the number of people who have been injured, killed, and kidnapped.

As the war between Israel and Hamas intensifies, we remain deeply concerned about the potential for further escalation as well as the loss of life and the humanitarian crisis that is occurring in Gaza. We denounce the violence against innocent civilians and support upholding international humanitarian law.

Peacebuilding is both a cornerstone of Rotary's mission and one of our areas of focus. At our core, Rotary is a common ground for people to come together – across nationalities and religions, cultures and histories – and connect around their shared belief in a better tomorrow. That connection