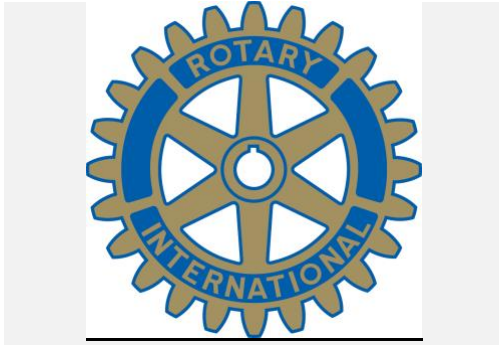


# BELLEVUE PAPILLION ROTARY CLUB NEWSLETTER

## February 2018



Meetings: Mondays at Noon  
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### **FEBRUARY SPEAKERS**

**February 5:** Fontenelle Forest  
**February 12:** Makovicka PT  
**February 19:** Armed Forces  
Recruiting  
**February 26:** Asthma and Allergy  
Center

\*Many of our best programs and speakers come from recommendations. Please let Jeff

([jesmith58@msn.com](mailto:jesmith58@msn.com)) know if you have an idea or suggestion for an upcoming program. He still has a few openings for March and April. Thank you!

### **GREETER**

### **FEBRUARY**

Greeter.....Sarah Conaway

### **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

What we do

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease

- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies

Be proud to be a Rotarian!

**FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**

*Rotary gives \$53.5 million to help eradicate polio*

EVANSTON, Ill. (Jan. 25, 2018) — With 22 confirmed cases in 2017 to date, and just one case in 2018, the world is on the brink of eradicating polio, a vaccine-preventable disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of children each year.



Rotary gives \$53.5 million to help eradicate polio and challenges the world to continue the fight to end the disease.

Rotary is giving \$53.5 million in grants to support immunization and surveillance activities led by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). More than half of the funds will support efforts to end polio in two of

the three countries where polio remains endemic:

Afghanistan: \$12.03 million

Pakistan: \$19.31 million

Further funding will support efforts to keep 10 vulnerable countries polio-free:

Cameroon: \$1.61 million

Central African Republic: \$428,000

Chad: \$2.33 million

The Democratic Republic of Congo: \$6.48 million

Ethiopia: \$1.82 million

Iraq: \$2 million

Niger: \$1.71 million

Somalia: \$3.29 million

South Sudan: \$835,300

Syria: \$428,000

An additional \$731,338 will fund research to be conducted by the **World Health Organization (WHO)**, and another \$518,000 will go toward technical assistance in West and Central Africa.

While significant strides have been made against the disease, polio remains a threat in hard-to-reach and underserved areas and conflict zones. Despite a historically low case count, as long as a single child has polio, all children are at risk, which underscores the need for continued funding and political commitment to eradication.

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Rotary has committed to raising \$150 million over the next three years, which will be matched 2-to-1 by the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**, yielding \$450 million for polio eradication activities, including immunization and surveillance. Rotary started its polio eradication program **PolioPlus** in 1985, and in 1988 became a partner in the **GPEI**, along with WHO, **UNICEF**, and the **U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation later became a partner. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases in 1988 to just 22 confirmed cases in 2017 (as of 25 January). Rotary has contributed a total of more than \$1.7 billion — including matching funds from the Gates Foundation — and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries from polio.

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**THE FOUR WAY TEST**—of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"When an individual, a sect, a clique or a nation hates and despises another individual, sect, clique or

nation, he or they simply do not know the objects of their hatred. Ignorance is at the bottom of it."

-Paul Harris

### ROTARY TRIVIA

*(Answer in next month's newsletter)*

Which of the following are areas by which the Object of Rotary is fostered:

- a. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service?
- b. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society?
- c. The application of the ideal of service in one's personal, business, and community life?
- d. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### ROTARY TRIVIA ANSWERS FROM LAST MONTH

- e. True or False: The first Rotaract Club was formed in Charlotte, North Carolina.

TRUE

## **AREA MEETINGS**

### **Monday:**

***Omaha Millard***, Noon @ German American Society

***Omaha North***, Noon @ Eppley Airfield Conference Center

### **Tuesday:**

***Omaha Morning***, 7:00 am @ Happy Hollow Country Club

***Northwest***, Noon @ Champions Run

***Southwest Omaha Rotary Night Club***, 5:15pm @ Millard Plaza Ballroom

### **Wednesday:**

***Council Bluffs Centennial***, 7:00am at HyVee

***Downtown***, Noon @ Field Club

***Plattsmouth***, Noon @ Plattsmouth State Bank

### **Thursday:**

***Suburban***, Noon @ Anthony's

### **Friday:**

***Omaha West***, Noon @ Champions Run