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TODAY IS WORLD POLIO DAY!

Polio Poliomyelitis, or polio, is a paralyzing and potentially fatal disease that still threatens children in some parts of the world. Poliovirus invades the nervous system and can cause total paralysis in hours. It can strike people of any age but mainly affects children under five. Polio can be prevented by vaccines, but it is not curable. Unlike most diseases, polio can be eradicated.



PolioPlus For more than 30 years, Rotary and our partners have driven the effort to eradicate polio worldwide. Our PolioPlus program was the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication by vaccinating children on a massive scale. As a core partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, Rotary focuses on advocacy, fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and awareness-building.

Rotary members have contributed \$1.9 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments

to contribute more than \$8 billion to the effort.

Polio Today With our partners, we have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent, from 350,000 cases in 125 countries in 1988 to just 33 cases caused by the wild virus in 2018. Only two countries continue to report cases of wild poliovirus: Afghanistan and Pakistan. The infrastructure we helped build to end polio is also being used to treat and prevent other diseases and create lasting impact in other areas of public health.

Challenges Rotary and our partners have made tremendous progress against polio, but eliminating all cases is going to take even more progress and perseverance. Afghanistan and Pakistan face unique challenges, including political insecurity, highly mobile populations, difficult terrain, and, in some instances, logistical barriers. With sufficient resources, the commitment of national governments, and innovations that improve access to remote areas, we are optimistic that we can eliminate polio.

Ensuring Success Rotary has committed to raising \$50 million per year for polio eradication. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has pledged to match that 2-to-1, for a total commitment of \$150 million each year. These funds provide much-needed operational support, medical workers, laboratory equipment, and educational materials. Governments, corporations, and private donors all play a crucial role in funding.

Rotary in Action More than 1 million Rotary members have donated their time and money to eradicate polio, and every year, hundreds of member's work with health workers to vaccinate children in countries affected by polio. Rotary members work with UNICEF and other partners to prepare and distribute informational materials for people in areas that are isolated by conflict, geography, or poverty. They also mobilize to recruit fellow volunteers, assist in transporting the vaccine, and provide other logistical support.



Things Are Happening in the City of Dublin!



Hazel Wetherford, Dublin's Economic Development Director, presented a rosy picture of Dublin's development activities at last week's meeting. Dublin has grown to a population of 65,000 and now has 8 million square feet of commercial development, 32,000 employees and an unemployment rate of under three percent. Two-thirds of the 23,000 households own their home and 61 percent of the adult population has a college degree. Hazel sees her role as enhancing and expanding business, growing new businesses and jobs while increasing Dublin's revenues and quality of life. There have been several new businesses open recently and many more to come with restaurants, hardware stores, pet hospitals, child care facilities and even Patelco Credit Union moving from Pleasanton.

Dublin is planning to make plans and encourage land owners in downtown to actually create a real downtown with new shops, restaurants, plazas, and convenient housing. Blessed with two BART stations, both are the scene of dense residential development, shopping and a major new Westin hotel near the new BART parking garage and IKEA at the east station. The AT Dublin developers hope to eventually replace the new Rotary fireworks sales offices, as soon as they can gather three votes at the City Council. At least three other hotels are coming, two near Kaiser and one adjacent to the Bowling center. The City of Dublin is consciously working hard to become an even stronger community for which residents, employees, visitors, freeway travelers can take great pride.



Welcome, Dominick Piegaro

Last week we welcomed Dominic Piegaro into Dublin Rotary membership. Dominick seems to be something of a Dublin institution, having served as a campus supervisor and longtime coach at Dublin High School – he's known affectionately as Coach D by many students, including non-athletes. A true Dubliner. he lives here and his kids are all DHS graduates, most recently his twins graduated in 2019. He works at All Natural Stone. down the street at Sierra Lane. Check out their website for some great stone home applications!





Around the Room

As usual, there is a lot going on at Dublin Rotary. **Bryan Benton** announced that two new Dublin Interact clubs in were in planning stages: one at Fallon Middle School and later one at Wells Middle School. Both clubs are designed to feed into the DHS Interact Club.



Middle school clubs are rare, but they are permitted and do exist elsewhere. And Facebook guy **Rich Boschetti** snitched on **Namrata** as being a great candidate for a Bollywood dance performance!

Larry reported that his wife is continuing on her cancer treatments after being reattacked after her earlier episode from a couple of years ago. Also, **Kamal** visited his aunt overseas as she passed away. **Mike Kyle** had foot surgery and **Stephany Barker** is recovering from her illness. We offer sympathy and encouragement to all those recovering.



Mona is selling tickets for a \$10 donation to a charity drawing that will make you eligible to win a oneweek stay in a brand new 3-bedroom penthouse condo in Cabo San Lucas. The real benefactors are the burned children being treated by the Coaniquem Burned Center in Central and South America.

Don Price is encouraging all to contribute to the Rotary Foundation and to help End Polio. See the article elsewhere on the October 24 World Polio Day. He described how a \$1 contribution can be expanded to \$6, thanks to matching contributions of the club and the Gates Foundation.

Here's a prideful tidbit: in our 48 year history, the Rotary Club of Dublin has contributed \$485,431 to the Rotary Foundation. **President Mike's** goal for us is to reach \$500K this year by contributing the final \$14,569 to bridge the gap.

We were pleased to have **Dr. Dave Marken**, the new Superintendent of DUSD express his interest in being the first corporate member of Dublin Rotary. He is returning to Dublin after retirement and relocation to Lodi. He noted that DUSD currently has 12,500 students. There are 73 portables, including 23 at DHS. The challenge is great; so is the on-going student performance.



President Mike awarded the Rotarian of the Month to Chris Kinzel, for editing the Dublin Rotary Shamrock, which recently resumed publication after Chris paused the bulletin because he felt he had a more important job to do and absolutely no one volunteered to take it over!





This year's DPIE fund raising event was wildly successful, in part because of the organization's active support by many local Rotarians, some of whom are pictured here.

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Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan Speaks



We received a status report on new Assemblymember Bauer-Kahan's first year as the District 16 representative. District 16 stretches from Lamorinda on the north to the Tri-valley on the south, along the I-680 corridor beginning at Walnut Creek. She commutes

The Matthew Muller Mystery



We were recently treated to a homegrown crime mystery, presente d to us by Sheriff's Captain Nate

Schmidt in his Dublin Police role. He has been working in Dublin for 15 to his 20 year career with the County and now supervises over 60 police employees. Captain Nate described a home burglary and potential kidnapping from an east Dublin home in June of 2015. The perp entered the home while the householders and their 20-year old daughter were sleeping. After a struggle, the burglar fled, but did leave behind a cell phone. With cell phone data, he was traced to a South Lake Tahoe home, where he was arrested three days later. Matthew Muller is his name, a 39-year old Harvard Law School grad, who apparently wasn't paying attention during the course on cell phone security.

After checking his history and his modus operandi, he turned out to be the likely perpetrator of a bizarre kidnapping case that had occurred just two months to Sacramento during the legislative session from her home in Orinda. She had a successful first year in terms of bills signed into law:

- Removal of CalWORKS penalties for higher income scholarships
- Estate of trust transfer gun control requirements
- Paid visitation court-monitored custody screenings
- Covered California extension of health care enrollment periods
- Increase out-of-state for profit on-line college requirements
- Smart justice fiscal savings reforms
- Iron Horse Trail transportation extension
- Handling of deadly food allergens
- Human trafficking victim confidentially

earlier. He kidnapped a 30 year old woman in Vallejo, who was held for two days and released at her father's home in Huntington Beach. For whatever reasons, the victim's story was branded by Vallejo police as an "orchestrated hoax" and the couple was widely branded



as liars. Then the SF Chronicle began receiving emails from a person claiming to be the kidnapper, giving a motive and an elaborate story. Then the FBI and Dublin Police stepped in to give information to authorities that Muller may be their man and, by the way, he was in their custody. He eventually confessed and was sentenced to 40 years. He also had done a number of other Bay area home break-ins about the time of the Dublin arrest.

Captain Schmidt indicated that Muller earlier had become involved with prescription and illegal drugs and his life took a downhill spiral including divorce, disbarment, and mental decline. Captain Schmidt's program was extremely interesting!



Dublin Rotary Chamber of Commerce Networking Mixer -- October 23





Harold Ceizler Greets



Our recent greeter was **Dr. Harold Ceizler**, a charter member of Dublin Rotary (since 1971!). To introduce himself Harold read from a 1995 column in the Dublin Rotary Shamrock. The editor in those days was a young(er) Chris Kinzel. Here's what the article said, remember this was 24 years ago:

"Harold is our current Vocational Service Director, is a Paul Harris fellow, and has held virtually every club office except President (so far). His best memories of Rotary include his recent sponsorship of Neila Kleinsmith as an international scholar and his hosting of a Peruvian VIP during an SF international Rotary conference.

Harold was raised in Colton, CA and attended San Diego State and the (now) UOP Dental School in SF. He has been married to Stephanie, a former hygienist, for 27 years. They have 3 daughters, Danielle (who is a firefighter for Chief Karl) and twins Dawn and Lisa. The family has lived in the Pleasanton hills for 12 years in a beautiful house that Harold (and a few other craftsmen) built. Hobbies? Just a few--motorcycles (a former dirt bike trophy winner), water skiing (in the delta, behind his ski boat), snow skiing (usually at Tahoe, but next month in Utah!), scuba diving (at Mendocino/Ft. Bragg), collector cars (a `50 Ford and a `67 Camaro), airplane-trawler co-owner (now retired), weight lifter, violin instructor (also retired). You can tell he's a very sedate fellow!

Oh yes, he does a little work too. He had his own busy Dublin dental practice for 20 years, and now works a total of 2 days a week for 2 dentists. He has had side businesses including a gas station/car wash, real estate, home repair, hot tubs, and his current one – administrating employee dental programs.

Harold had the idea to develop the widely-used balloon angioplasty stent; the friend who developed and marketed it is now a multi-zillionaire. In Rotary Harold is a behind-the-scenes person whose goal is to help every President have a successful term. He seems to be succeeding in this and all of his other exciting ventures!" He just keeps on ticking. Now fully retired, **Harold** says his main activity is getting up early on Tuesdays to make lunch at Rotary.

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And, we had a successful social recently at Lazy Dog; almost no one embarrassed themselves.







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