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5 things you might not know about ending polio

The road to eradicating polio has been a long and difficult one, with Rotary leading the fight since 1985. Going from nearly 350,000 cases in 1988 to just 10 so far this year has required time, money, dedication, and innovation from thousands of people who are working to end the disease.

Here are five things you may not know about the fight to end polio:

1. Ice cream factories in Syria are helping by freezing the ice packs that health workers use to keep the polio vaccine cold during immunization campaigns.



John Cena

2. Celebrities have become ambassadors in our fight to end the disease.

They include WWE wrestling superstar John Cena, actress Kristen Bell, action-movie star Jackie



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4 Way Test

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?

2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

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

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

Heading

Programs:

October 2017

- 5 Duane Robinson
- 12 Susan Robinson
- 19 Ron Iudice
- 26 Roger Leonard

November 2017

- 2 Mike Fagalde
- 9 Glenn Sutherland
- 16 John McCamman
- 23 Thanksgiving
- 30 Dave Gerken

December 2017

- 7 Susie Stonum
- 14 Randy Brower
- 21 Christmas Program
- 28 No Meeting

Chan, golf legend Jack Nicklaus, Grammy Award-winning singers Angelique Kidjo and Ziggy Marley, Nobel Peace Prize laureate Desmond Tutu, anthropologist Dr. Jane Goodall, co-founder of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Bill Gates, and world-renowned violinist and polio survivor Itzhak Perlman.



3. Health workers and Rotary volunteers have climbed mountains, crossed deserts, and sailed to remote islands, risking their lives to vaccinate children against this disease. Rotary has

funded more than 1,500 motorbikes and 6,700 other vehicles, as well as 17 boats, to make those journeys. Vaccinators have even traveled on the backs of elephants, donkeys, and camels to immunize children in remote areas.

4. In Pakistan, the polio program emphasizes hiring local female vaccinators and monitors. More than 21,000 vaccinators, 83 percent of whom are women, are achieving the highest immunization coverage rates in the country's history.

5. Thanks to the efforts of Rotary and its partners, more than 16 million people who otherwise might have been paralyzed are walking today. In all, more than 2.5 billion children have been vaccinated since 1988.

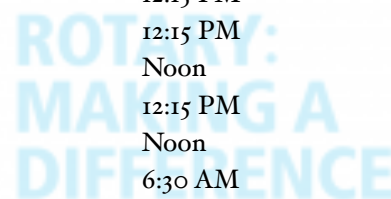
Where to Make Up Locally

Monday	Lodi Tokay
Tuesday	Oakhurst Sierra Sunrise North Merced Groveland
Wednesday	Oakhurst Sierra Merced
Thursday	Chowchilla
Friday	Merced Sunrise

Lodi Elks Lodge
Pop's Family Restaurant
Fernandos
Pine Mountain Lake Country Club
El Cid's Mexican Restaurant
Branding Iron
Farnesi's Restaurant
Paul's Place

Noon
7:00 AM
12:15 PM
12:15 PM
Noon
12:15 PM
Noon
6:30 AM

***Any day, any time: www.eclubonline.net



Gates Foundation to host 2017 World Polio Day

For the first time, Rotary's World Polio Day celebration heads to the West Coast of the United States. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, one of our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, will host the annual event at its campus in downtown Seattle, Washington, on 24 October. You can watch the event live at 14:30 Seattle time (UTC-7) or view a recording later.

Sue Desmond-Hellmann, the Gates Foundation's chief executive, will brief the supporters who attend — as well as the global audience watching via livestream — on progress in the eradication campaign. Only 11 new cases of polio caused by wild poliovirus have been reported this year, all in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

At the 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Bill Gates renewed and increased his foundation's pledge to match, 2-to-1, all contributions to The Rotary Foundation that are designated for polio eradication efforts. Rotary's commitments and pledges from world governments and corporate donors, counted along with the

Gates Foundation's pledge, have made the campaign to eliminate polio worldwide \$1.3 billion stronger.

Other speakers at this year's World Polio Day event include Jay Wenger, director of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's polio eradication efforts; Dean Rohrs, vice president of Rotary International; John Cena and Tiwa Savage, Rotary polio ambassadors; Ade Adepitan, a Paralympian and polio survivor; and Jeffrey Kluger, senior editor at Time magazine overseeing science and health reporting.

Attendees may also draw inspiration from the setting — the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation headquarters, near Seattle's iconic Space Needle.

Last year, Rotarians in more than 90 countries registered over 1,400 events and fundraisers to mark World Polio Day in their communities and draw attention to Rotary's leadership in the fight against polio. With your contributions and advocacy, as well as the Gates Foundation match, we're aiming to raise \$250,000 during this year's celebration.

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April 20-22, 2018
District Conference

Tenaya Lodge

Club Events:

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Outhouse Races

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