



Tuesday
March 10th, 2020

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Club of Marco Island Sunrise

Speaker(s) Today



3/10 Habitat for Collier County,
Lisa Lefkow, CEO
Upcoming Speakers

- 3/17 Rookery Bay Update**, Savannah Lawson, Education Specialist, Rookery Bay
- 3/24 Mark Strain**, Chief Hearing Examiner, Collier County Planning Update
- 3/31 The Honorable John Boehner** former Speaker of the US House of Representatives (**non-member reservations required**)
- 4/07 TBD**
- 4/14 TBD**



- Debra Shanahan 7 Mar
- Kathleen Beaufait 16 Mar
- Rick LoCastro 21 Mar
- Hya Crane. 30 Mar



Today's Song: "Yankee Doodle"
(see back)



Rotarians at Work

Keep Your Eye on the Money

This week's 50/50 Raffle is **\$165** and **48 cards left** in the deck. In order to win, your number must be called and you must pick the King of Clubs



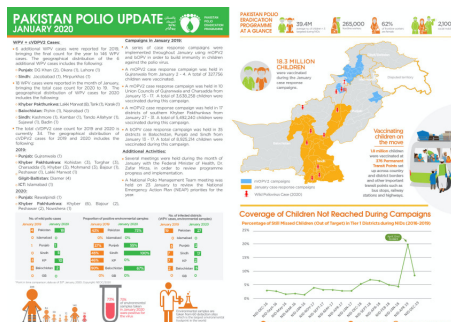
What is Rotary?

- We're a leadership organization...
- We're made up of local business, professional and civic leaders
- We meet regularly, get to know each other, form friendships
- Work in community and we have fun doing it!

The 4-Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Pakistan Snapshot January 2020



<http://polioeradication.org/news-post/pakistan-polio-snapshot-january-2020/>

Board Meeting



Coming Events:

- 3/12 Board Meeting**, Marco Island Chamber, 7:30 AM
- 3/14 Gift of Lift Dinner**, Gulfview Club, 58N Collier Blvd, 6:00
- 3/17 - Primary Election Day**, Club Workers Lutheran Church
- 3/19 - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**, Lake Placid, FL
- 3/20 - 3/22 Seafood Festival**, Veterans Park, Marco Island
- 4/9 Board Meeting**, Marco Island Chamber, 7:30 AM
- 4/15 District Assembly**, Cultural Center of Port Charlotte, 8 AM - Noon
- 5/7 - 5/10 District Conference**, Naples Beach Club

2019-2020 Club Officers:

- President:** Tom Mann
- President Elect:** Erik Condee
- President Elect Nominee:** Tony Barnard
- Secretary:** Natalia Armstrong
- Treasurer:** Debra Shanahan
- Sergeant At Arms:** John Apolzan
- Newsletter Editor:** Natalia Armstrong



International delegation of Rotary leaders visits Pakistan in support of polio eradication

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan. (February 6, 2020) – A delegation of Rotary International leaders from around the world traveled to Pakistan this week to meet with government leaders including Prime Minister Imran Khan, Minister of Health Dr. Zafar Mirza, Army Chief of Staff General Qamar Javed Bajwa and Dr. Rana Safdar, head of Pakistan's Polio National Emergency Operations Centre. The Rotary delegation included Holger Knaack, Rotary International President 2020-21; K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, Trustee Chair of the Rotary Foundation 2020-21; and Michael K. McGovern, Chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. The group was accompanied by incoming Rotary Foundation Trustee Aziz Memon, who leads efforts for Rotary's Pakistan PolioPlus program. The government leaders praised Rotary for its prominent role in polio eradication and for providing vital financial support to Pakistan and other polio-threatened countries. Rotary members have contributed more than \$2.1 billion dollars and countless volunteer hours to ending polio.

Rotary is the organization credited with initiating the global effort to eradicate polio. When Rotary formed the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) in 1988, there were more than 350,000 cases of polio annually around the world. Today, due to the efforts of Rotary, its partners and world governments, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent. In this week's meetings, the Prime Minister acknowledged recent challenges in the effort to rid Pakistan of polio, and confirmed that Pakistan considers polio eradication among its highest priorities. The Government of Pakistan has already taken a series of highly effective organizational steps to manage the polio vaccination program and provide much-needed resources to ensure the resurgence of polio in Pakistan is put to an end. General Bajwa assured the Rotary delegation of the unwavering support and cooperation of both the Army and the civil forces to ensure that every child in every community throughout Pakistan is reached with the lifesaving polio vaccine.

Dr. Zafar Mirza, Minister of Health of Pakistan confirmed the country's improved efforts to eradicate polio, noting that during the last round of national polio immunizations, approximately 40 million children were vaccinated.

Blowing in the Wind

How many roads must a man walk
down

Before they can call him a man?

How many seas must a white dove
sail

Before she sleeps in the sand?

How many times must the cannon
balls fly

Before they're forever banned?

The answer, my friend, is blowin' in
the wind

The answer is blowin' in the wind

Mr. Holger Knaack expressed his satisfaction with the visit and efforts by the Government of Pakistan to eliminate polio, stating, "We are grateful to have had the opportunity to meet with key leaders in Pakistan to learn about renewed efforts to eradicate the disease once and for all. We're confident that with the support of the government and the Army, that Pakistan will get the job done." Mr. KR "Ravi" Ravindran agreed, stating, "Polio eradication is a massive effort that will require all elements of society to band together and work towards our ultimate goal of ensuring no child ever again is paralyzed by polio."

During their visit, the Rotary delegation met with local Rotary leaders from Pakistan, which is home to more than 230 Rotary clubs and nearly 3400 Rotary members. They engaged with some of the major donors of the GPEI, and visited the National Emergency Operations Centre, where a high-tech data collection system monitored progress in real time.

While only Afghanistan and Pakistan continue to report cases of wild poliovirus, the remaining challenges to global eradication—such as difficulty reaching children amid insecurity and conflict and weak health systems—have proven to be the most difficult. In order to meet these roadblocks head on and ensure the continuation of program efforts, funding and support from donors and world governments is imperative.