



Rotary in Action

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Celebrate the End of Our Rotary Year with a Party

Please be sure to join us this Friday, June 21 at 7:00 pm
 for our year-end social (adults only)
 at the home of Blake & Mimi Freeman.

There is a sign-up sheet at the meeting but if you didn't place
 your name on it, you are still welcome to join the fun.

Please bring some food to share. And BYOB!!

We look forward to seeing you there!!

REVIEW & PREVIEW...

Last Week: Sally Cleffie , Assistant Governor 2019-2020,
 Grow Rotary

This Week: Diane Mehrlich, Our Rotary Year!!

Next Week: Kelly Trace, Hi-Tech Hub

Happy Anniversary

Fred & Jo Ann Cumbie – June 20

Rick & Veronica Smith – June 22

IMPORTANT TRANSITION DATES

June 26 – 2019-2020 Officers and Directors will be inducted at
 the weekly meeting.

July 3 – We will still hold a weekly meeting, without a speaker
 but as a social time with fun and games.

July 10 – President Cristina will share her insights for the
 upcoming Rotary year.

July 17 – Official Visit of District Governor Cindi Cioci. Please
 plan to attend.

DATE FOUNDATION GIFT

6/19	Betsy Hurst
6/26	Diane Mehrlich
7/3	Caseo Corbett

UPCOMING EVENTS

6/21 Club End of Year Party – 7:00 p.m. - at the home of
 Mimi & Blake

7/1-7/31 School Supply Drive

7/11 Board of Directors Meeting – 6:00 pm. – Los Cabos
 Mexican & Cuban Restaurant

7/17 District Governor Cyndi Cioci's Official Visit

**10/26 Kissimmee Bay Rotary 20th Annual Casino Night &
 Auction**



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 GOOD WILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Welcome to All of Our Visitors Today

We are glad that you joined us and hope to see you again
 soon. Please be sure to provide us with your email address so
 we can be in touch with you about all the great and exciting
 moments in Rotary.

Back to School SUPPLY DRIVE 500 for A Gift for Teaching July 1-July 31

Remember how excited you were for the first day of school?
 You spent days picking out the coolest backpack, perfect
 pencils, most unique erasers and the hottest lunchbox! But the
 reality for the over 86% of students who receive lunch benefits
 is very different. Their families are unable to purchase the
 basic supplies needed to participate in school. Instead of
 feeling excited, they are nervous and hope no one notices they
 don't have the same supplies as everyone else. They often sit
 in the back of the classroom and don't participate in
 discussions or activities so they can hide the fact they don't
 have the required materials.

KBay Rotary is collecting everything related to back-to-school.
 Purchase items while you are shopping each week and bring
 them to our weekly meetings through July 1- 31.

NEEDED:

Box of 24 crayons
 Packs of pencils
 Pocket folders
 Backpacks
 Rulers

Bottle of glue
 Packs of loose leaf paper
 Cap erasers
 Pens
 Glue Sticks



Rotary Announces US\$100 Million to Eradicate Polio

EVANSTON, Ill. (June 10, 2019)

Rotary is giving US\$100 million in grants to support the global effort to end polio, a vaccine-preventable disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of children each year.

The funding comes as Rotary and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) address the final—and most pressing—challenges to ending poliovirus transmission, and as Nigeria approaches three years without any reported cases of wild poliovirus, bringing the Africa region closer to polio-free status.

“We have the wild poliovirus cornered in the smallest geographic area in history, and now there are just two countries that continue to report cases of the wild virus,” said Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary’s International PolioPlus Committee. “As we work with our partners to apply innovative new strategies to reach more children, and embrace lessons learned thus far, Rotary is doubling down on our commitment to end polio for good. I’m optimistic that the end of polio is within our grasp, but we must remain vigilant in rallying global political and financial support as we push towards a polio-free world.”

While there were only 33 cases of wild poliovirus reported in 2018, the last mile of eradication has proven to be the most difficult. Barriers to eradication--like weak health systems, insecurity, and mobile and remote populations--must be overcome. As long as a single child has polio, all children are at risk, which underscores the need for continued funding and commitment to eradication.

To support polio eradication efforts in endemic countries, Rotary is allocating half the funds it announced today to: Afghanistan (\$16.3 million), Nigeria (\$10.2 million), and Pakistan (\$25.2million). Additional funding, will support efforts to keep vulnerable countries polio-free: Chad, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Iraq, Kenya, Mali, Somalia, South Sudan, Syria, and Yemen.

The World Health Organization (WHO) will receive \$1.3 million to conduct research, and will also receive support for surveillance activities in its Africa (\$10.9 million) and Eastern Mediterranean (\$4 million) Regions.

Rotary has committed to raising \$50 million a year to be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, amounting to \$150 million for polio eradication annually. Rotary has contributed more than \$1.9 billion to fight the disease, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation, and countless volunteer hours since launching its polio eradication program, PolioPlus, in 1985. In 1988, Rotary became a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Gates Foundation later joined. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases in 1988 to 33 cases of wild poliovirus in 2018.

\$\$\$ Rotary Dues Reminder \$\$\$

This Rotary year will end on June 30, 2019. All Rotary financial obligations are due in full by that date. You may pay by cash, check or credit card. If you need another copy of your statement, please let Treasurer Nancy know.



**Kissimmee Bay Rotary’s
20th Casino Night & Auction
October 26, 2019
Kissimmee Elks Lodge #1873**



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PATHS - Professional and Technical High School
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Summer Vacation!!

KBay Rotary: www.kbayrotary.com
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The Rotary Club of Kissimmee Bay Meets at:
Kissimmee Bay Country Club
2801 Kissimmee Bay Blvd., Kissimmee 34744
Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.
Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 420225, Kissimmee, FL 34742-0225

ABRIDGED MAKE-UP SCHEDULE

E-Club Make-up: www.rotaryclubone.org

Monday		
Kissimmee	12:10 p.m.	Council on Aging
Lake Nona	6:00 p.m.	Valencia College-Lake Nona
Tuesday		
Lake Nona Lunch	11:45 a.m.	Ronald McDonald House
Thursday		
St. Cloud	7:15 a.m.	St. Cloud Women’s Club
Friday		
Celebration	7:00 a.m.	Celebration Health
Kissimmee West	7:00 a.m.	Florida Hospital-Kissimmee,
Poinciana	7:45 a.m.	Poinciana Medical Center- 2 nd & 4 th Fridays