

#### **OCTOBER 2022**

#### **English Edition**



#### **RI President Jennifer Jones Message**



In August, I was proud to visit Pakistan and highlight Rotary's top goal, eradicating polio. It was also a tremendous opportunity to spotlight female health workers who are playing a critical role in protecting children from this vaccine-preventable disease.

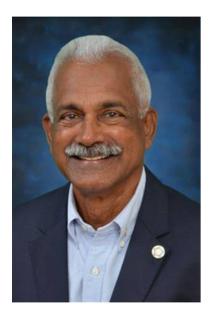
This month, as we celebrate World Polio Day, we are shining a spotlight on our more than 30-year effort to lead the first global polio eradication campaign and our success in forming partnerships capable of completing this massive goal. We all know that this is one of the most ambitious global health initiatives in history and that we've reduced polio cases by more than 99.9 percent worldwide.





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#### District Governor Leslie Ramdhanny Message



#### Economic and Community Development Month

My Fellow Rotarians, as we provide service to our communities through the projects we initiate, we stimulate economic development, to improve lives. Clubs are encouraged to engage communities in their service projects so that they feel that they are part of the activities. Such projects must be meaningful to create greater impact as we reach to take care of assessed needs. Remember as we participate in service projects, it is important that our Rotary branding must be clearly visible so that we can expand our reach. Persons in our community must be aware that Rotary is involved.

We are reminded that October 11, is the International Day of the Girl Child. Empowering Girls is a Rotary International Presidential Initiative and clubs are reminded to implement community projects to empower girls. Our women and girls must not be left behind, they must be given equal opportunities to achieve their potential and so assume their rightful places in the world.





#### **RI Monthly Theme**





#### **Rotary Supports Local Economies**





#### WORLD POLIO DAY

Rotary 🛞 Join us for World Polio Day 24 October

## Take action for World Polio Day!

In her World Polio Day message, Rotary International President Jennifer Jones explains why we need your support on World Polio Day.



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#### PLACE FOR PEACE



On the 21st September 2022 the Rotary Club of San Fernando-South (RCSS) in celebration of the United Nations International Day of Peace and the UN's call to **"End Racism, Build Peace"** partnered with (4) Secondary Schools at which the Club sponsors Interact clubs viz: ASJA Boys' College, San Fernando Central Secondary School, Naparima College and Parvati Girls' Hindu College to install peace poles at their Schools in commemoration of Peace Day.

Our Interactors are peacebuilders, many of them having recently participated in the Youth and Peace in Action initiative through NewGen Peacebuilders and representatives of each Interact Club delivered opening prayers for Peace at the event.

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## DISTRICT 7030'S CELEBRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE – 21ST SEPTEMBER 2022.



130 plus attendees joined in District 7030's celebration of the International Day of Peace on September 21st 2022.

The United Nations theme this year was "End Racism Build Peace" as is seen in our zoom backdrop created by Rotaractor/Member of the District 7030 Peace Committee Darren Sarijoen.

The session opened with the showcasing of some of the peace activities which had taken place in <u>Rotary District 7030</u> during peace week including peace walks and the unveiling of peace poles.



**ALL-MEMBER SURVEY** 

Dear Rotary member,

As part of our commitment to provide you with the best membership experience possible, we invite you to participate in the 2022 Rotary All-Member Survey. Your responses will help us learn what you like about being a Rotary member and how we can make your membership experience even better.

To begin the survey, click the link below. It will take 10 to 15 minutes to complete and will be open until 4 November 2022. Only one survey can be submitted using the link, so please do not forward or share this email.

If you any have questions, contact us at <u>surveys@rotary.org.</u>

Want to see results from previous Rotary surveys? You can find them here.



Sincerely,

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Jennifer Jones Rotary International President, 2022–23



## **ROTARY IN REVIEW**



#### A new weapon in the fight against polio

A modified polio vaccine, nOPV2, is offering new hope in the fight to eradicate polio. The reengineered formula has a lower risk of causing vaccine–derived poliovirus. This means it is less likely that the weakened strain of poliovirus used in the vaccine will mutate and spur outbreaks in communities where immunization levels are low.

The vaccine first rolled out in March 2021. In the first half of 2022, more than 370 million doses have been administered in more than 20 countries. <u>Read more</u> about what went into developing this vaccine or listen to the story on our Rotary Podcast.

# A modified vaccine offers hope that eradication is closer than ever



In mid-2017, two groups of 15 strangers lived together for 28 days each in a ring of shipping containers assembled in the parking lot of Antwerp University Hospital in Belgium. They had access to books and movies, a small courtyard for barbecues, a common kitchen and dining room, and a fitness room — all of it behind secure interlocking doors and under the watch of personnel in protective gowns.





# Rotary pledges \$150 million toward polio eradication



Rotary International President Jennifer Jones appeared on the main stage at the starstudded Global Citizen Festival on 24 September to highlight Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio and announce an additional \$150 million pledge toward that end. Jones spoke in front of 60,000 people in New York City and tens of thousands more online and on TV. Learn more about Rotary's most recent pledge in the fight against this disease.



#### **RYLA UPDATE (October 2022)**



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) will simultaneously be held throughout District 7030. The presentations from Trinidad and other countries will be facilitated via the zoom platform in English and French, and the breakout sessions will be managed in each country. Further, the participants will be required to be present physically in their country.

The event is open to persons 16–24 years old and is being planned from Trinidad and Tobago. District RYLA is scheduled for **January 14 and 15, 2023.** 

Rotary clubs sponsoring 1 to 10 participants will be required to pay US\$50.00 and for 11 and more participants a registration fee of US\$100.00. Additionally, a contribution will be required to cover the expenses incurred for the in-person attendance. Your country's RYLA Supporting Team will determine this latter charge.

The RYLA Planning Committee will be meeting on Saturday, October 15, 2023 to discuss the programme which will be shared with the District when it is finalised. The registration link would be sent to you during the first week in November.

Let us encourage our future leaders to participate and have fun in our District RYLA event!!

Warm regards,

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