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Polio Plus Update

President Susie Ledford before introducing today's speaker Demi Bray to talk on Polio Plus Update had all members hold two fingers up about a half an inch apart to show how close we are to eliminating polio from the world. Susie who was wearing a End Polio Now tee shirt reported that members could purchase their own for \$20 and hoped many would then wear their tee shirt on October 22 when our club will celebrate





World Polio Day that is being celebrated worldwide on October 24.

Demi indicated that she has a great passion in helping eliminate polio worldwide. She related that her step-mother, who was a great sports woman, contacted polio in her early 30's. Her step-mother with much struggle overcame polio but there is no cure and the disease stays within the affected individual and her polio reappeared later in her life. Demi indicated that eliminating polio worldwide became a Rotary International global effort in the 1980's. When RI first started this global effort to eliminate polio there were about 350,000 cases per year. Now there about 417 cases per year.

Last year the Bill and Malinda Gates Foundation challenged RI again. Over the next 5 years RI is to raise \$35 Million and the Gates Foundation will give RI \$70 Million per year over the next five years. RI and the Gates Foundation believe polio can be wiped. It takes time , dollars and patience. Demi stated that one immigrant in Somalia infected 100 people. That's how fast polio can it can spread when people are not vaccinated for the disease. Five years ago there was a breakout of polio in this country. Its been reported that there are about 72, 000 children entering kindergarten, who because of their parents belief system on not having their child vaccinated for various diseases, are without immunization for polio who are at risk. There are countries with political and/or cultural con-

cerns who have denied immunization programs for their people.

Demi reported that at this time the basic vaccine costs 33 cents. Per shot. She stated that \$20 would protect 150. Money is also needed for the ready response team that moves quickly into refugee camps to immunization shots to all inhabitants. Demi indicated that I is District Governor Bray's goal to raise \$20 per Rotarian in the district this year. Demi said she has forms and labels to make it easy for our members to make their donation. You can also do your donation online at www.endpolionow.org.





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Member Profile- Richard (Dick) Pritts, Flywheel Co-editor Dick is a native of western Pennsylvania and graduated from The College of William & Mary before graduating from The Ohio State University School of Architecture. Dick worked with an architectural firm in his hometown for three years and then headed east to the Philadelphia area where he was a project architect on the Scheie Eye Institute, a teaching hospital associated with the University of Pennsylvania.



Pritts then left the northeast for the sunny climate in the Tampa Bay area where he continued making a living as an architect for almost forty years. Dick also had his own firm for about 12 years in Clearwater. Over the many years in the architectural profession he was the principal architect on several hospitals, skilled nursing facili-

ties, ambulatory surgery centers, medical offices and clinics, diagnostic imaging centers, inpatient hospice facilities, assisted and independent living facilities including continuing care retirement centers, churches, banking facilities, educational, libraries, recreational/athletic facilities and historic preservation projects. In retirement he is still doing architectural consulting work. Dick was active in leadership roles in his professional organization at both the local and state level including several years as treasurer for the Florida Foundation for Architecture.

Pritts became a Rotarian in 2002 in Dunedin, Florida and then transferred to our club when his wife Rhonda and he moved to the Franklin area. Dick has been co-editor of the Flywheel for the last two years and served as the Public Relations Co- Chair for 2013-14. Pritts is a Paul Harris Fellow Plus 1.

SCC Annual Golf Tournament

SCC is hosting it's Annual Golf Tournament on Tuesday, September 16th at Balsam Mountain Preserve. This tournament will benefit the SCC Foundation Annual Scholarship Fund. The cost is \$150 per player which includes green fees, golf cart, and the awards buffet. It begins at 9:00 that morning. Please contact Kathy Posety at 339-4227 for more dehttps://mail.aol.com/38727-111/ aol-6/en-us/mail/get-attachment.aspx? uid=29955936&folder=NewMail&partId=3tails. Thanks!

Wine and Cheese Reception



President Susie announced that there will be a wine and cheese reception at Cat Creek Lodge on September 18th at 5:30 PM. All new members from the 2013-2014 and the new members since July 1 of

this year and their sponsors are invited.



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A Gathering of Eagles

How are the Boys Scouts of America doing today in Western North Carolina? This is a question many vintage Eagle Scouts and other former Boy Scouts who have not been active in Scouting for years may wonder.

The Daniel Boone Council would like to bring these individuals from Macon County and southern Jackson County up-to-date on the activities, accomplishments and challenges that Boy Scouts in this area enjoy. This will be done at a dinner and presentation to be held at the Highlands Community Center starting at 6:00 pm on September 15, 2014.

Kirby Thompson, the Cataloochee District Executive (Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties), and other Council staff and local volunteers will talk about what Scouting has done in recent years to mold our future leaders. This will include discussion of the newly re-discovered Scout camp just east of Otto. There will also be the opportunity for those attending to share their Scouting experiences.

There is no charge to attend. However, you must RSVP by September 11th by calling Kirby Thompson at 828-550-7865 or emailing kirby.thompson@scouting.org. Also, if you can recall, please provide your highest Scouting rank and the Council or city in which you were last active. For additional information regarding Scouting in the Franklin area, contact Mike Norris at 828-524-4442, ext. 207, or e-mailing miken@wayah.com.

Friendship Exchange

Stacy Guffey announced that on October 13-15 there will be five ladies from the Philippines visiting our area in the Rotary Friendship Exchange program. We are looking for a host family for one of the ladies for the nights of the 13th and 14th. Please see Stacy or Larry if you can be a host family. The ladies will be the program at our October 15th meeting.

First Posting of Prospective New Member!

This is the first official posting of Jim Wilson. If you have any comments or concerns see President Susie or any board member.

Prayer / Pledge Schedule

Sep 17- Fred Alexander Sep 24- Susan Gibbs Oct 1- Rich Peoples



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Cruise Ticket Sales off to a Good Start but Need Some Volunteers for The Fair!



PE Sean Gibson reported that the cruise for two on Holland America as part of our Rickman Raffle will be given away at Noon on the last day of the Macon

County Fair 9/20. We are in need of volunteers to help work a table at the fair over the four day period to sell these tickets. Please see PE Sean Gibson, Judy Chapman or Cindy Rodgers! We have sold about 86 tickets thus far! Great work Rotarians! This is our final push..lets make it a good one!

Flywheel Lineup for 2014-15

Thanks to those volunteering in helping with the Flywheel. John Short will be third week and Tom Coley fourth week. Debbie Tallent is our photographer for the year. If anyone, especially a new member looking to get involved in our Club's activities and would like to write the week one or two meeting notes for the Flywheel, please see club Flywheel Co-Editor Dick Pritts. Thanks for all you do!

September 17th

Susie emphasized today that our September 17 meeting is pin day. Each Rotarian attending should wear as many Rotary pins as he can find in his collection. Award for the member with the most pins. The challenge will be trying to beat PDG Dennis Sanders!!

Clayton's Corner Humor



If they had a doting Mother....

MONA LISA'S MOTHER: "After all that money your father and I spent on braces, that's the biggest smile you can give us?"

COLUMBUS' MOTHER: "I don't care what you've discovered, you still could have written!"

MICHELANGELO'S MOTHER: "Can't you paint on walls like other children? Do you have any idea how hard it is to get that stuff off the ceiling?"

NAPOLEON'S MOTHER: "All right, if you aren't hiding your report card inside your jacket, take your hand out of there and show me."



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- 1 Ticket -\$1.00
- 3 Tickets \$2.00
- 5 Tickets -\$3.00

10 Tickets-\$5.00

25 Tickets-\$10.00



Upcoming Events

17 Sep- Club Assembly (Pin Day)

18 Sep-Wine and
Cheese Event—Cat Creek Lodge
24 Sep-Interact Day / Youth Training

1 Oct- Four-Way Test Training

8 Oct- Barry Clinton on Cowee Community Center

50 50 Drawing!



John Yermack could not pull the winning card. The \$44 pot rolls over

with 11 cards in the deck.

Next Meeting 9/17 President Susie will lead the Club Assembly program. See you at 12 noon at Tartan Hall!

