

Our speaker last week was Heather Ginsburg, Field Education Programs Coordinator with the San Antonio Water System. Heather showed us an excellent end to end presentation of what happens when it rains in the San Antonio area. Her presentation was titled "The Rain to Drain Experience". It was a very interesting program. After her presentation, club president Dan Clark presented Heather with a Speaker's Certificate of Appreciation and the most recent edition of our Rotary magazine.









Form below to fill out for you and your Rotary people for the Missions baseball game, Saturday, June 1st. Google sheet link below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ d/1cp9mlQkuyKxF9CP8TqkNEidhWfZfJPI2Ltj3v7RMOs 0/edit?usp=sharing

NAMES MUST BE ADDED BY MAY 15TH

Please add your name, cell, email and how many tickets you would like up to 4 per person. If you do not want to do the sheet- email me, and I'll add it for you.

Please contact President-Elect Russell Sturgeon if you have any questions.

Rotary recognizes President Emmanuel Macron for France's commitment to a polio-free world

Rotary International presented its Polio Eradication Champion Award to French President Emmanuel Macron today, in recognition of France's significant role in the global effort to eradicate polio. The ceremony was a feature of the Rotary Day event at UNESCO, centered on education and peace.

Under President Macron's leadership, France notably pledged \notin 50 million to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) in October 2022. This commitment was complemented by a significant partnership announcement in December 2023 between the Gates Foundation and the French Development Agency (AFD), which included a loan of up to \notin 55 million to support the World Health Organization's polio efforts in Pakistan, bringing the country's total commitment to polio eradication to up to \notin 105 million (\$103.4 million). France has also been a strong advocate within the G-20 and G-7, urging other nations to continue their support for a polio-free world.



"I am delighted to recognize President Macron and the Government of France for the outstanding commitment to a polio-free world," said Rotary International President Gordon McInally. "Our experience over more than thirty years of battling polio has shown us what we can achieve by working together. As part of the global team to end polio, we are committed to reaching every child and eliminating polio even in the most difficult environments."

Rotary has contributed more than \$2.7 billion to fight polio, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation, and countless volunteer hours since launching its PolioPlus program in 1985. Rotary's over 1000 clubs in France have contributed a total of \$24.64 million (around \notin 23.17 million) toward ending polio. In 1988, Rotary joined in partnership with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to form the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. The Gates Foundation and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, later joined. When the initiative launched, there were 350,000 cases of polio every year. Today the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent.

About Rotary: Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. Rotary connects 1.4 million members of more than 46,000 Rotary clubs in almost every country in the world. Their work improves lives at both the local and international levels, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world. For more information, visit Rotary.org.

About the Polio Eradication Champion Award: Established by Rotary in 1995, the award honors individuals who have made significant contributions to the global eradication effort. President Macron is the first French President to receive this award and joins other distinguished recipients including Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, Xavier Bettel, Prime Minister of Luxembourg, and Albert II, Prince of Monaco. Former leaders who have been honored include U.K. Prime Minister Theresa May, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, former Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, former German Chancellor Angela Merkel, former Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari, and former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

Name Name	All Rotarians are invited to attend the Installation Dinner for 2024- 2025 District Governor Kristen Salazar on
The District 5840 District Annual Fund Raffle tickets have been passed out. Please sell as many tickets as you can to raise as much money as possible for the Annual Fund.	Wednesday, June 26th at the Old San Francisco Steakhouse, 10223 Sahara Dr, San Antonio, TX
Why give money to the Annual Fund? Because the service projects funded by the Annual Fund help change lives across the globe, in each of our communities and in ourselves. Each Rotary club in our District can receive funds from the Annual Fund for their own unique projects.	78216. The evening will begin at 6:00 PM for cocktails, followed by
The prize for the Raffle winners is a \$1,000 gift card. There are seven (7) prizes. The winner of the third drawing is the SELLER of the ticket so please be sure to complete that information on the ticket stubs. The Drawing will be on June 1st in Uvalde at the Club Leadership Workshop. All ticket stubs must be turned into PDG Jerry Hardy by May 25, 2024. Please contact Dan Clark if you have any questions.	dinner at 6:30PM. Dress code is Roaring 20's. Cost is \$40 person or \$300 for a table of 8. Click the link below to Register. https://rotary5840.org/events/district-installation-dinner/