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It was a cool, clear Tuesday morning and we were served juice, coffee and muffins at the Residence of Bob Smith's property. Bob has a beautiful home and is a rhododendron enthusiast. Charlie Sallis has worked with Bob for a number of years propagating species and hybrid plants. Bob has proposed that our club sell rhodos to the public with all the proceeds destined for the Rotary Foundation of

Rotary International to help meet the polio challenge. Charlie led us through the property's gardens include where new plants are propagated and nurtured. A great experience for all of us.



Ben Franklin said: In wine there is wisdom, In beer there is freedom, In water there is bacteria.

- Jill Cornwell is always interested in suggestions for speakers: _____ Jill is also accepting donations of good books for our library at Cumberland Lodge.



- _____ Work party at the orchard on 10 October.

- Linda reminded everyone to get donations and forms to Keith this week so they can be catalogued. Tickets sales are sluggish. Historical support from certain quarters during our first four years has been disappointingly low. Please pay for tickets ordered by next week if you haven't already. Wayne told us about a great package involving a week at a Marriott luxury condo in Las Vegas and that air travel is being worked on to be included.

- _____ Dodie Brand and Stefan Pletscher

- _____ Arrive by 6:30 AM, set up room, greet everyone as people arrive and hand out badges, help with visitors' name tags and make-up cards. Return room to original setup.





On 24 October, we mark World Polio Day. It is a time to reflect on the progress we have made and to strengthen our resolve for the work ahead. It is a time to raise awareness of our efforts to eradicate polio, and to help meet Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge.

We have come a long way. We have reduced the number of polio cases by over 99 percent, from more than 350,000 a year in the 1980s to about 1,650 in 2008. We have brought the number of endemic countries from 125 to 4. And we have vaccinated over two billion children.

We are proud of these accomplishments, and we are closer than ever to achieving our goal of worldwide eradication. But we must recognize that our greatest enemy is complacency. We cannot slacken our efforts now, because as long as there is wild poliovirus anywhere, the disease can easily spread again. The number of cases in endemic countries is down this year, but the number of cases in countries where polio has been reintroduced has increased significantly - a reminder of how polio knows no borders, and how vigilant we must remain.

Polio is still endemic in Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan. Difficult terrain, civil unrest, remote settlements, poor sanitation, and terrible poverty are just some of the obstacles to immunization. But we, and our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, are determined to continue our work with persistence and creativity.

I have been inspired by the incredible strides already made this year: In one 10-day period, a total of 222,270,331 children in 22 countries were immunized against polio. The effort and the commitment are phenomenal. This is a testament to the resolve that has brought us this far - and that will soon bring us to our goal of complete eradication.

Glenn E. Estess Sr. Foundation Trustee Chair ~Source: R I Website / Courtesy: eFlash_Rotary

19 Cumberland Rotarians attended our meeting on 6 October. Visiting Rotarians: Bob McQuillan and Paul Vroom of the RC of Strathcona Sunrise. Guests: Christine Dickinson, guest of Liz, Kathy Stevens, David's spouse and Charlie Sallis our tour guide.

7 Bill Armstrong, 16 Kim Sleno and 20 October, Alinda Ware. No one has an anniversary in October. Best wishes to everyone.



Trying to cut down on sugar? Each cube equals one teaspoonful!

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- 13 October: Alison Roberts - Creative Employment Access Society
 - 20 October: Debbie Palzat - Trip to the Dominican Republic
 - 27 October: Stew Ludtke - CV Mood Society

DEAR DIARY: DAY 1 - All packed for the cruise ship - all my best clothes.

DEAR DIARY: DAY 2 - Entire day at sea, beautiful and saw whales and dolphins. Met the Captain today - seems very nice.

DEAR DIARY: DAY 3 - At the pool today. Also some shuffle boarding and hit golf balls off the deck. Captain invited me to join Captain's table for dinner.

DEAR DIARY: DAY 4 - Won \$800.00 in the ship's casino. Captain asked me to have dinner in Captain's cabin. Had a luxurious meal complete with caviar and champagne. Asked me to stay the night but I declined. I could not be unfaithful to my spouse.

DEAR DIARY: DAY 5 - Pool again today, got sun burnt, and went inside to drink at piano bar for rest of day. Captain saw me, bought me several large drinks. Again asked me to spend the night. Again I declined. Captain told me if I did not the ship would sink. I was shocked.

DEAR DIARY: DAY 6 - Today I saved 1,600 lives. Twice.
