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ROTARY NEWS

October 25, 2017 World Polio Day

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Yet the detection of new cases in northern Nigeria also demonstrates that surveillance efforts are reaching children even in areas affected by conflict. The challenge now is to contain the outbreak and boost immunity in affected areas until the virus is eradicated worldwide.

This year also saw the largest and fastest vaccine rollout in history, as 155 countries and territories switched from the trivalent oral polio vaccine to the **bivalent oral polio vaccine**. The bivalent oral polio vaccine protects against the only two strains still in circulation and reduces the likelihood of vaccine-derived cases.

- Stream the 24 October event live at endpolio.org.
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WORLD POLIO DAY OCTOBER 24th

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Hilton Suites
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Club Calendar

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- 10/2 Dr. Abbott, Update on Leprosy
- 10/16 Public Safety Awards
- 10/23 Emory Mulling
- 11/6 Bob Snelling, on William Wilberforce, the Parliamentarian responsible for removing slavery from the British Empire

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 10/9 Ashley Garrison
- 10/9 Lisa Stueve
- 10/14 Billy Lovett
- 10/28 Morris Moore

ANNIVERSARIES



- 10/24 Todd Lawrimore
- 10/12 Eugene Jordan

Rotary Online

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