

CART Conversations are held every 3rd Thursday from 5:30-6:30 via Zoom. The subjects vary from public image to grants. Visit www.rotary7610.org/events/

PROGRAM: XIAO-YIN WILL SHARE HER EXPERIENCE IN INDIA AS ROTARY CONTINUES ERATICATING POLIO

Xiao-Yin Byrom continues to represent our club every year as she serves internationally. Xiao-Yin's most recent trip was to India where she worked with other Rotary Club members from areas around the glove as they continue their work to ensure Polio is eradicated. Come and listen to what she has to share.

I am looking forward to hearing all about Xiao-Yin's experiences and I hope to see you there!

## **MEET YOUR OFFICERS:**

President: Ab Basu Past President: Cheryl Macias President Elect: Luke Croushorn Secretary: Robyn Williams Treasurer: John Goldwater Vice President: John Heltzel Club Director: Willis Jones Sargent at Arms:

Visit DACdb.com for club information!! \*\*If you do not have your login, we can help Regular Meeting: Wed. March 5, 2025 12:00 PM City Tavern 9550 Center Street Manassas, VA 20110

## Meet more Impact Club members by walking with them in the St Patrick's Day Parade Sat Mar 8 @ 10:30



Celebrating 25 years of impact!

The Supporter Conference is being held April 4-6 in New Orleans at the Barnett Hotel.

GO TO: shelterboxusa.org/2025-conference/

To Register, now!

- Next Regular meeting March 12, 2025, 12:00
- IMPACT Club's next meeting is Mar 14, 2025
  @ 6:00 at 9004 Prince William St in the all-purpose room or on ZOOM. All members are invited
- IMPACT Club will participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade March 8, 2025. Join them!
- IMPACT Club will be doing a service project at House of Mercy March 15th.
- Executive Board Meeting, March 19, 2025 @ 10:30 at City Tavern

MARCH BIRTHDAYS- Consider Buck of the Month Club by donating \$ equal to your age! Don Kline- 2nd

## MARCH MEMBER CLUB ANNIVERSARIES!

Cheryl Dashiell- 2019 Ulysse Kenny Loveless- 1993

Ulysses White- 2002

We are always looking for new members! Please contact Jeff Brown with any new potential members: jeff.brown@brownsinsurance.com

Yours in Rotary Service,

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## Xiao-Yin Byrom's Journey of Service in India!

Traveling to India for National Immunization Day (NID) was a life-changing experience, made possible by the leadership of PDG Nancy Barbee and Colleen Bonadonna. Their vision and organization paved the way for an impactful mission.

During my time in India, I witnessed the dedication of healthcare workers and volunteers committed to eradicating polio. We worked alongside doctors, educating families on the importance of vaccination. In many communities, awareness is as crucial as the vaccine itself. I was especially moved by mothers who traveled great distances to ensure their children received the life-saving oral polio vaccine.

India's success—going from a polio-endemic nation to polio-free since 2014—is a testament to relentless public health efforts. Visiting both remote villages and urban clinics reinforced the ongoing need for vigilance and education to prevent resurgence. Programs like NID remain essential in protecting children worldwide.

Beyond immunizations, this trip deepened my understanding of maternal and child health challenges in developing regions. Access to clean water, nutrition, and medical care remains critical. However, through partnerships between Rotary International, WHO, and local governments, significant progress has been made.

This journey reaffirmed my belief in the power of service and collaboration. The perseverance and compassion I witnessed will stay with me forever. Polio eradication is within reach if we continue our global commitment. I encourage everyone to support public health initiatives—because small acts of service truly change the world.



