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GLIMPSES OF PULSE POLIO ON 13TH SEPTEMBER AT KMC WARD 77, KHIDDERPORE



Goal is 100% participation to achieve 100% immunization with no child

From the desk of PDG Vijay Bhandari

when we will be able to say that we have made polio a thing of the past. For if we fail now, we will fail all those who have gone before us, and every child to whom we made a promise. If we fail, we risk our own good name, and the good name of all the Rotarians

who came before us. We will not fail. We can and we must succeed.

Many of you have already given so much to the battle against polio. Each of you is forever a part of history - part of Rotary's legacy and its gift to the world's children. Today, I call on Rotarians - especially new Rotarians who have not been a part of the campaign in the past - to do what they can, to finish this fight once and for all I would like to recollect the famous story of John Stephen Akhwari, an Olympic athlete from Tanzania who represented his country in the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City. It was October 20, 1968 and the time was 7 pm. The closing ceremonies had just been completed.

As the spectators and other athletes were leaving the stadium, down the boulevard came the whine of sirens. People remained seated to see the last runner of the marathon making his way into the arena to the finishing line.

This was John Akhwari, who hobbled into the light. He had a horrible fall early in the race, whacked his head, damaged his knee and endured a trampling. He finished last among the 74 competitors. When asked why he continued to run and proceed to the finish line, John Akhwari said "My country did not send me over 11,000 kms to start a race. They sent me, over 11,000 kms to finish one".

We have to think that the finish line is near and that we have to complete the race. During the last leg of this race we have to have that endurance to step up the pace and finish the race. It was Winston Churchill who said in his famous speech "Never, never, never, give up" February 7 is the second NID of the year - the day to keep our promise of reaching the vaccine to every child, the day to walk the last mile towards 'Polio free world' and the day to finish the fight once for all. The message for the entire Rotary parivar for the day is 'Pulse Polio first'. Take time to review the performance on Jan, 10 - identify the lapses - and plan for a perfect Polio Sunday on February 7.

Ask yourself the following questions :

- How many Rotarians participated in the campaign on Jan, 10 ? Was it good enough?
- Was Rotary identity satisfactory?
- Did the pulse polio message reach every household in the community?
- How many children could have been missed and why?
How can we reach the un - reached ?

Our ultimate goal is 100% participation to achieve
100% immunization with no child

*"A bend in the road is not the end of the road...
unless you fail to make the turn."*

WOMEN'S REVENGE

'Cash, cheque or charge?' I asked, after folding items the woman wished to purchase.

As she fumbled for her wallet , I noticed a remote control for a television set in her purse.

'So, do you always carry your TV remote?' I asked.

'No,' she replied, 'but my husband refused to come shopping with me,

And I figured this was the most evil thing I could do to him legally.'

WIFE VS. HUSBAND

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word..

An earlier discussion had led to an argument and Neither of them wanted to concede their position.

As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, The husband asked sarcastically, 'Relatives of yours?' 'Yep,' the wife replied, 'in-laws.'

WORDS

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day....

30,000 to a man's 15,000.

The wife replied, 'The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men...

The husband then turned to his wife and asked, 'What?'

CREATION

A man said to his wife one day, 'I don't know how you can be So stupid and so beautiful all at the same time.

'The wife responded, 'Allow me to explain.

God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you !

WHO DOES WHAT

A man and his wife were having an argument about who Should brew the tea each morning.

The wife said, 'You should do it because you get up first, And then we don't have to wait as long to get our tea.

The husband said, 'You are in charge of cooking around here and

You should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my tea.'

Wife replies, 'No, you should do it, and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do th tea.'

Husband replies, 'I can't believe that, show me.'

So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says 'HEBREWS'

The Silent Treatment

A man and his wife were having some problems at home And were giving each other the silent treatment.

Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him

At 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight.

Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper,

'Please wake me at 5:00 AM.' He left it where he knew she would find it.

The next morning, the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight. Furious, he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, When he noticed a piece of paper by the bed.

The paper said, 'It is 5:00 AM. Wake up.'

Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the master piece