

Monday with Mikey: July 18, 2016

"Take me out to the Ball Game..."

That song – that song – that song means "summer" to me.

To me summer is long, lazy evenings, watching a beautiful sunset – and moonrise – and the next sunrise. It's dippin' a cane pole with a wiggler and a popper on it into a creek and hopin' to catch pan-size bream for supper. It's lemonade and cold fried chicken and a checkered table cloth in a mountain meadow. It's fireworks and no school and fireflies and no cares.

And it means Baseball. Our national pastime. The one recreational activity that defines us as Americans (Walt Whitman said so – you can look it up).

And for me, as a Rotarian, baseball means ending Polio – now and forever.



There are only a few days left to sign up! Registration ends on Monday, August 25th!

Rotary Rays Day XVI is Sunday, August 7th! August is Rotary Membership Month, and our theme this year is "Bring a Friend!" This is a great opportunity to show your friends how much "Doing Good, Having Fun" is going on in our Rotary District and in YOUR Rotary Club.

Please see the attached flier - print it and fill it out - and send it to PDG Gene Beil (his address is on the flier) with a check for the seats of your choice.

REMEMBER: \$10 of EVERY ticket purchased goes to Polio Plus, and each \$10 will be matched with \$20 from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation!

Thanks for your support of our Rays and The Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus Fund!

Gosh, I love baseball!

Until next Monday, keep **"Doing Good, Having Fun!"**
Your Friend in Rotary Service,

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