

World Polio Day 2022 Observation at Utah Valley University

*Helping with Rotaract World Polio Day Panel &
Initiative*



Orem-Lindon Rotary and UVU Rotaract World Polio Day Panel & Initiative

DAY: Wednesday, October 19th

TIME: 12:00 pm

LOCATION: UVU Campus, LA116

More info at: <https://www.uvu.edu/utahimf/blog/2209wpdpreparations.html>



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On October 19, 2022, Utah Valley University (UVU) Rotaractors hosted the World Polio Day Observation at the UVU campus. Orem-Lindon Rotary members were also present. As we have witnessed a number of cases of polio in the United States since 2013, this year's event urged us to urgently support Rotary International's End Polio initiative.

Tristin Juarez Smith, President of UVU Rotaract, created a Task list for UVU Rotaractors to help them complete the preparations for hosting World Polio Day at UVU. This was based on the student-engaged learning (SEL) model. These responsibilities included creating an event agenda, identifying potential speakers, creating promotional material, tabling brochures and event logistics, as well as connecting with presenters. Our October 19th luncheon was the venue for all tasks. Tristin Juarez Smith suggested that members set up a table on the UVU campus prior to the luncheon and display their work in the lobby during the concert by Utah Symphony on October 20, 2022, at the UVU Noorda Center. To support our efforts to connect with UVU students and the community at large, we added items to the task list.



Keynote presentation of Dr. Joseph Johnson MD, Utah Valley Pediatric

The event featured guest speakers and 35 Orem Lindon Rotary members. The event is open to students, faculty, as well as the general public. We needed tables and chairs that could accommodate all Rotarians (35), and additional chairs for students; if there was not enough space, there was the option to open the glass wall and create a bigger venue. One table will be needed for Campus catering to serve the box lunches.

I was able to coordinate with two members of the UVU Office of Global Engagement staff, Carlos Alarco and Amy Barnett, to secure the time and reservation of the room for the event. UVU Professor Baktybek Abdrysaev and UVU Office of Global Engagement staff, Amy Barnett, were able to set time out of their busy day to take a look at the room, and we were able to put into place an action plan that was able to make this event a success. I coordinated the room setup, including the main table and the chairs in the event room.

This is an example of the SEL method that UVU Rotaract members and UIMF members use to advocate for Sustainable Mountain Development throughout Utah and the globe. The most underserved communities in the world are mountain communities and mountainous areas. The SEL model was a way for UVU students to make a lasting impression on the Utah community as well as the world. They also supported Rotary International's End Polio Now initiative.

*Stephan Atkinson (Child), President of Utah Valley University Foreign Affairs
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