The bronze sculpture of Paul Harris holding a young child in his arms has been repurposed. This sculpture was generously donated to the District by the Mesa Rotary Club. The Paul Harris bronze will become a District award that will be awarded to one of the clubs in District 5495 in recognition of their support of the PolioPlus campaign. The award will be known as the **End Polio Now Champions Award**.

There are two (2) metrics that will be used to determine which club will hold the trophy for the year:

- Overall club giving to the PolioPlus fund, and
- Per capita giving to the PolioPlus fund.

Per capita giving will be given a higher weighting than overall giving using a factor of 1.25.

As an example, Club A is number 6 in overall club giving and number 4 in per capita giving. Using a weight of 1.25 club A has a total ranking of 11. \((6 + 1.25\times4 = 11)\) Club B is number 8 in overall club giving and number 2 in per capita giving. Club B has an overall ranking of 10.5. \((8 + 1.25\times2 = 10.5)\) Since club B has a **lower overall total** they would be recognized as the End Polio Now Champion for the year with their club name inscribed on the trophy. Rankings will be calculated for each club in the District using the PolioPlus report from Rotary Club Central. Periodically the rankings for the top 10 clubs will be reported. If your club is not in that group you likely have some work to do. The ranking for all clubs however will be calculated and available upon request.

Make it your club goal to be the historic first recipient of this newly created award. The award will be presented each year at the District Conference. The cutoff date for determining the year’s winner will vary year-to-year based on the date of the District Conference. Keep in mind that Rotary International can be a little slow in getting information on donations posted to Rotary Club Central. If your club is serious about earning this award we would recommend that donations to the PolioPlus fund be made as early as possible.

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