

## 2019 – 2020 BOARD

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# The Spoke



## The Rotary Club of Elizabethtown

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**Friday 12:15 pm Funk Brewing Co.**

*currently a ZOOM meeting - link emailed to members*

**Monday 5:30 pm Moo Duck Brewery**

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**Total Membership: 135**

**Group E:** Elizabethtown, Mount Joy, Donegal, Lititz  
Eastern York Co (Wrightsville), Hempfield, Manheim

**Zones 24 & 32 District # 7390**

**Brenda Kreider Barlet, Editor**

**December 11, 2020**

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## Friday Meeting Keynoters:

Dec 11	Sawyer Neale	Aberdeen Mills History
Dec 18	Kevin Engle	TASTE Brainstorming
Dec 25	NO MEETING	
Jan 1	NO MEETING	
Jan 8	Ken Wolfe	Rt 6 Trip
Jan 15		

## Monday Meeting

5:30 – 6:30pm

**Moo Duck Brewery**

Chair Wendi Grinnell

Vice-Chair Alyssa Roth

## Monday Meeting Keynoters:

Dec 14	Steve Glick	Classification
Dec 21	Lori Shenk	Northwest EMS
		Agency of the Year Award
Dec 28	NO MEETING	
Jan 4		

## Keeping the Calendar

First Tues of each month – Board Meeting

**Dec 25** NO FRIDAY MEETING

**Dec 28** NO MONDAY MEETING

**Jan 1** NO FRIDAY MEETING

## DECEMBER Birthdays

11	Greg Grove	April 11
13	Michael Kalloz	Hannah Kline
19	Ann Reinhold	
23	Del Becker	April 25
27	Ryan Reed	Garrick English

## When Americans banned Christmas - The Puritans were a serious bunch. *theweek.com*

**How did the first settlers celebrate Christmas?** They didn't. The Pilgrims who came to America in 1620 were strict Puritans, with firm views on religious holidays such as Christmas and Easter. Scripture did not name any holiday except the Sabbath, they argued, and the very concept of "holy days" implied that some days were not holy. "They for whom all days are holy can have no holiday," was a common Puritan maxim. Puritans were particularly contemptuous of Christmas, nicknaming it "Fools-tide" and banning their flock from any celebration of it throughout the 16 & 1700's. On the first Dec. 25 the settlers spent in Plymouth Colony, they worked in the fields as they would on any other day. The next year, a group of non-Puritan workmen caught celebrating Christmas with a game of "stoole-ball" — an early precursor of baseball — were punished by Gov. William Bradford. "My conscience cannot let you play while everybody else is out working," he told them.

**Why didn't Puritans like Christmas?** They had several reasons, including the fact that it did not originate as a Christian holiday. The upper classes in ancient Rome celebrated Dec. 25 as the birthday of the sun god Mithra. The date fell right in the middle of Saturnalia, a month-long holiday dedicated to food, drink, and revelry, and Pope Julius I is said to have chosen that day to celebrate Christ's birth as a way of co-opting the pagan rituals. Beyond that, the Puritans considered it historically inaccurate to place the Messiah's arrival on Dec. 25. They thought Jesus had been born sometime in September.

**So their objections were theological?** Not exclusively. The main reason Puritans didn't like Christmas was that it was a raucously popular holiday in late medieval England. Each year, rich landowners would throw open their doors to the poor and give them food and drink as an act of charity. The poorest man in the parish was named the "Lord of Mis-rule," and the rich would wait upon him at feasts that often descended into bawdy drunkenness. Such decadence never impressed religious purists. "Men dishonor Christ more in the 12 days of Christmas," wrote the 16th-century clergyman Hugh Latimer, "than in all the 12 months besides."

**When did that view win out?** Puritans in the English Parliament eliminated Christmas as a national holiday in 1645, amid widespread anti-Christmas sentiment. Settlers in New England went even further, outlawing Christmas celebrations entirely in 1659. Anyone caught shirking their work duties or feasting was forced to pay a significant penalty of five shillings. Christmas returned to England in 1660, but in New England it remained banned until the 1680s, when the Crown managed to exert greater control over its subjects in Massachusetts. In 1686, the royal governor of the colony, Sir Edmund Andros, sponsored a Christmas Day service at the Boston Town House. Fearing a violent backlash from Puritan settlers, Andros was flanked by redcoats as he prayed and sang Christmas hymns.

**Did the Puritans finally relent?** Not at all. They kept up their boycott of Christmas in Massachusetts for decades. Cotton Mather, New England's most influential religious leader, told his flock in 1712 that "the feast of Christ's nativity is spent in reveling, dicing, carding, masking, and in all licentious liberty...by mad mirth, by long eating, by hard drinking, by lewd gaming, by rude reveling!" European settlers in other American colonies continued to celebrate it, however, as both a pious holiday and a time for revelry. In his Poor Richard's Almanac of 1739, Philadelphian Benjamin Franklin wrote of Christmas: "O blessed Season! Lov'd by Saints and Sinners / For long Devotions, or for longer Dinners."

**So Christmas was finally accepted at that time?** No. Anti-Christmas sentiment flared up again around the time of the American Revolution. Colonial New Englanders began to associate Christmas with royal officialdom, and refused to mark it as a holiday. Even after the U.S. Constitution came into effect, the Senate assembled on Christmas Day in 1797, as did the House in 1802. It was only in the following decades that disdain for the holiday slowly ebbed away. Clement Clarke Moore's poem "A Visit From St. Nicholas" — aka "Twas the Night Before Christmas" — was published in New York in 1823 to enormous success. In 1836, Alabama became the first state to declare Christmas a public holiday, and other states soon followed suit. But New England remained defiantly Scrooge-like; as late as 1850, schools and markets remained open on Christmas Day. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow finally noted a "transition state about Christmas" in New England in 1856. "The old Puritan feeling prevents it from being a cheerful, hearty holiday; though every year makes it more so," he wrote. Christmas Day was formally declared a federal holiday by President Ulysses S. Grant in 1870.

## E-town's esreveR Reverse Holiday Parade

Thank you, Rotarian Traffic volunteers:

Joe Rebman	Kevin Engle
Debbie Dupler	Deb Jones
Susan Grubb	Lori Funck
Ken Wolfe	Barry Acker
Glen Bootay	Brenda Acker
Bill Davis	Cal Kent
	Dan Brill

Yes, it's a little long, but I promised you an explanation of when Christmas was illegal in America!

## Congratulations to the E-town Rotary Club for conducting a free and fair election with certification that no one voted twice! Pres Don reported: In Monday's meeting we had exactly the 10 members needed (who were not present Friday) for a quorum (43 between the 2 mtgs.) to vote and approve the slate of officers for next year's Rotary Board.

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**Treasurer** Ryan Yorty  
**"At Large"** Scott Little  
Calvin Kent  
Kevin Becker

### Past-Pres

Don Grabowski

## MEMBERSHIP

### Honorary:

\* Ann Reinhold Bob Messick  
Jim Pinkerton Joe Murphy  
Otis Kitchen Orville Lauver  
+ \*Chuck Mummert

1959 \* George Achorn  
\* Clair Baum  
1966 \* Harold Engle  
1969 \* Don White  
1972 \* Dave Heisey  
Walt Heisey  
1973 Jake Olweiler  
1977 \* Paul Wolgemuth  
1981 \* Noble Johnson  
1982 \* Ken Kreider  
1985 \* Charlie Cabaugh  
\* Kevin Dolan  
1986 John Smith  
1988 Roger Hipple  
1989 Jack Hostetter  
Barry Smith  
1990 \* Bill Davis  
\* Tom Labagh  
1991 \* Ken Wolfe  
1992 Dane Whitmoyer  
1995 \* Dennis Zubler  
1996 \* Joe Reberman  
1997 \* John Martin II  
1999 Barry Acker  
Tom Campbell  
Werner Fetter  
2000 Matt Denlinger  
\* Hob Kroesen (1980-91)  
Stacy Steinkamp  
2001 + \*Ralph Detrick  
2002 \* IDan Brill  
Deb Dupler  
Dave Hickernell  
2003 Brenda Barlet  
Bob Hollinger  
2004 Marty Thomas-Brummé  
Bart Ziegler  
2005 \* ScottCvek  
# David Halliwell (1981)  
Wayne Heisey  
2006 \* Kevin Engle  
2007 Scott Kingsboro  
# Joe Lisi (1973)  
\* Ueff Kline  
2010 Tyler Smith  
\* Michael Kalloz  
2011 Stanley Mumma  
Robert Cronin  
2012 \* Tim Haak  
Ben Hoffman (1965-67)  
Michele Balliet  
Jeff Clark  
Bill Moore (1974-81)  
\* Michael Handshew  
2014 Don Grabowski  
Andrew Schoenberger  
Jeff Nolan (97-2008)  
Del Becker  
Lori Funck  
Keith Yocum  
2016 Mitch Fory  
Marc Hershey  
Tracy Miller  
Jeff Marsico  
Ed Thomas  
! Anikka Brill  
Mike Brubaker  
Kristen Brubaker  
Robert "BJ" Reedy  
Ben Travis  
! Glen Bootay  
Scott Little (98-2005)  
Deb Jones  
Jennifer Koppel  
Dale Ressler(2007-14)  
Greg Grogan  
2017 Mark Bruce  
Sandra Bruce  
! Wendi Grinnell  
Allison DeArment  
Trent DeArment  
\* # George Biemesderfer  
Christian Zechman  
Eric Tereo  
Frank Telenko

\* Past / Current President  
^ Past District Governor  
+ Past Assistant Governor  
! Past/Current Alt. Club Chair  
# Joined Rotary- Another Club

## MEMBERSHIP (cont.)

2017 John "Norm" Norman  
Meshelle Pinzon  
John Yoder  
2018 Shaun McCoach  
+ # David Ritter  
Matthew Blazi  
Robert Switalski  
Michele Switalski  
David Perna  
Ryan Yorty  
Dustin Conrad  
Paul Metzger  
# Carol Nelson  
# Jim Nelson  
Christopher DiStasio  
Ann Simonetti  
Greg Grove  
# Robert Sorozan  
Peter Graustein  
Rachel Clark  
Adam Smith  
Jeffrey T. Clark  
2019 Alyssa Roth  
Kevin Becker  
Jon Ebersole  
Casey Greiner Miller  
# Denise Thompson  
Ed Cunningham  
Dan Serfass  
Denise Grove  
Steve Glick  
Dick Balderston (2007-15)  
# Calvin Kent  
# Alex Kauffman  
Kevin Schafer  
Tina Lutter  
# Rick Clark  
Dan Stephenson  
2020 Nick Ressler  
Ryan Reed  
Cody Atherton  
Bobbi Ressler  
Susan Grubb (2007-11)  
Sawyer Neale  
Logan Hoover



**It's that time again... CHRISTMAS TREE shift sign-up's.**  
See Mike Kalloz's on-line schedule.  
**We are asking all able-bodied members to sign up for 3 shifts.**  
The best way to get to know your fellow Rotarians is to sell C-mas trees together !

## December Students of the Month

### Hannah Kline

**Parents:** Denisha Roberts & Chad Kline

**School:** ● Key Club - President (12), VP (11) ● Science Club - Co-president (12), Treasurer (11,10) ● Science Olympiad Team ● Stock Market Club ● National Honors Society ● Cross Country - varsity letter, competed at league and district championships ● Track and Field ● Orchestra -1st violin ● *Shrek the Musical* - Pit Orchestra

**Awards:** ● Underclassmen Academic Excellence: ○ AP US Government and Politics ○ Honors Biology ○ Honors Chemistry ○ German III ○ 9th Grade Health and Physical Education

**Community:** ● Donegal Youth Soccer Lightning '02 ● Pennsylvania Governor's School for the Sciences - Summer 2020 (With 5 other students, wrote a 40 page scientific paper entitled "DNA: The Discovery of the Double Helix to the Development of Modern Genetic Applications") ● AP Scholar - College Board ● Future Engineers: *Name that Molecule Challenge* -Finalist ● Lancaster-Lebanon County Orchestra ● T.E.A.M.S (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science) - 2nd Place ● Millersville 34th Brossman Foundation and Frisbie Science Lectureship and Exam -3rd Place ● Brittany's Hope Volunteer

**Employment:** Groff's Meats - Store Clerk

**Church:** ● St. Peter Catholic Church

**Hobbies:** ● Kayaking ● Hiking ● Rock Climbing

**Future:** ● B.S. in Biophysics ● MD-PhD in Biophysics ● A job in research (preferably medical) at a university or hospital

### Garrick English

**Parents:** Laura & Rodney English

**School:** ● Cross Country ● Science Olympiad ● North Museum Science and Engineering Fair ● Math competitions

**Awards:** ● Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award ● North Museum Science Fair Grand Champion ● Science Olympiad awards

● Cross country - varsity letter ● AP Scholar

**Community:** ● Environmental projects

**Employment:** ● Masonic Village Busperson

**Church:** ● Fish and Loaves at Christ Lutheran Church

**Hobbies:** ● Studying molecular biology ● Studying physics

● Robotics ● Computer programming ● Reading about mathematics ● Horticulture

**Future:** ● 4 year university ● graduate school ● earn a PhD in quantum physics or cosmology. ● Apply physics training to help solve

DECEMBER IS

**POLIO IS STILL INFECTING CHILDREN**  
**END POLIO NOW**

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

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"The prevention of disease today is one of the most important factors in line of human endeavor."  
Charles Mayo

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**RI President:**  
**Holger Knaack**  
**District Governor:**  
**John Anthony**

**District 7390 Conference**  
**30 April – 2 May 2021**  
**Pocono Manor, PA**

**International Convention**  
**12-16 June 2021**  
**Taipei, Taiwan**



# ROTARY

## ROTARY of ELIZABETHTOWN

### Committee Chairs

<i>Nominating</i>	Bill Davis
<i>Foundation</i>	Ken Wolfe
	Dennis Zubler
<i>Membership</i>	Ralph Detrick
<i>Corporate Membership</i>	Kevin Engle
<i>Internat'l Projects</i>	Joe Reberman
<i>Pfautz Scholarship</i>	Bill Davis
<i>Public Image/Relations</i>	
<i>Student Loan</i>	Kevin Dolan
<i>Family of Rotary</i>	Shaun McCoach
<i>Community Giving</i>	Deb Jones

### Fundraising Chairs

<i>Christmas Tree Sale</i>	Tim Haak
	Mike Kalloz
	Glen Bootay
	Barry Acker
	Don Grabowski
	Kevin Engle

### GOLF Major

<i>TASTE</i>	
<i>Mother's Day 5K</i>	
<i>Pints for Polio</i>	Denise Grove
	Alyssa Roth
<i>Grants</i>	Don Grabowski

### Project Chairs

<i>Service Committee</i>	Jeff Clark
<i>4-Way Essay/Speech</i>	Mike Handshew
<i>Adopt-a-Highway</i>	Tyler Smith
<i>Jr Achievement</i>	Debbie Dupler
<i>Community Volunteers</i>	Dan Brill
	John Martin II
	Anikka Brill
	Debbie Dupler

### RYLA

*Students of Month*  
*Youth Exchange*

### Club Service Chairs

<i>Chaplain</i>	Clair Baum
<i>Caring / Cards</i>	Lori Funck
<i>AV / IT</i>	John Yoder
<i>Music</i>	Charlie Cabaugh
	Don Grabowski
	Bill Moore,
	Bob Hollinger
	Stan Mumma
	Charlie Cabaugh
	Bart Ziegler
	Brenda Barlet

*Sheriff*  
*The SPOKE Editor*