



# The SPOKE

## Elizabethtown Rotary Club

SERVICE ABOVE SELF | DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

**MONDAYS | 5:30-6:30 PM**

MOO-DUCK BREWERY

President ShaunJude McCoach

- JAN 6 TBA  
TBA
- JAN 13 Dennis Zubler & Don Hamilton  
The Author's Journey
- JAN 20 TBA  
TBA
- JAN 27 ShaunJude McCoach  
Etown Rotary Chapter

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**FRIDAYS | 12-1:30 PM**

PINE CREEK SPIRITS

Glen Bootay, CHAIR

- JAN 3 Ralph Detrick  
Ecuador/Galapagos  
Travelogue
- JAN 10 Marc Hershey  
Elizabethtown Fire Department
- JAN 17 Alyssa Roth  
RAGAS
- JAN 24 Gregg Scott FAIA  
Urban Legend - Architect CE  
Urban

**NO MEETINGS**

FEB 07 | MAY 26

**ONLINE PAYMENT LINK**

[register.etownrotary.org/pay](https://register.etownrotary.org/pay)

WATCH PREVIOUS

**FRIDAY SPEAKERS**

### THANK YOU...

...for sponsoring a new member  
this Rotary Year

<i>sponsor</i>	<i>new member</i>
<b>Deb Dupler</b>	<b>Wade Amick</b>
<b>Kevin Dolan</b>	<b>Joey Lonardi</b>
<b>Dennis Zubler</b>	<b>Dana Ramsey</b>
<b>Dennis Zubler</b>	<b>Julia Mayberry</b>
<b>Dennis Zubler</b>	<b>Curt Norris</b>
<b>Paul Wolgemuth</b>	<b>Robert Sholl</b>

We've gained 6 new members this year and tied last year's tally. Put your name and your friend's name here and help us beat last year's total.

### JOKE OF THE WEEK

The Editor



*Last year, I was able to keep all of my New Year's resolutions...*

*... tucked away in a journal on my bookshelf.*

### From the President...

*Good Thursday Etown Rotary:*

*Happy New Year, fellow Rotarians! As we embark on a new year, let's celebrate the spirit of service, friendship, and global understanding that defines Rotary.*

*2024 was a year of challenges and triumphs, a year where we continued to adapt and evolve while upholding the core values of Rotary. We saw Rotarians around the world making a difference in their communities and beyond, tackling issues such as disease prevention, literacy, and poverty alleviation.*

*The Rotary year ahead, with its theme of "The Magic of Rotary," offers us a powerful reminder of the positive change we can create together. It's a call to embrace the transformative power of collective action, to find the magic in our shared purpose, and to spark positive change in the lives of others.*

*Have a great weekend!*

*Yours in Rotary Service,  
President Shaun*

## JANUARY

### BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ralph Detrick
- 2 David Hickernell
- 3 Mitchell Forry
- 6 Matthew Denlinger
- 6 William Davis
- 9 Brittany Garner
- 9 Kristen Brubaker
- 9 Edward Thomas
- 10 Kevin Baker
- 10 Jacob Olweiler
- 26 Wayne Heisey
- 28 ShaunJude McCoach
- 29 Joseph Rebman
- 30 Abby Huber

Club # 5338, Chartered December 13, 1925 | ShaunJude McCoach, PRESIDENT | **Total Membership: 125**  
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**Group E:** Elizabethtown, Mount Joy, Donegal, Lititz, Eastern York Co (Wrightsville), Hempfield, Manheim District # 7390 | Zones 24 & 31

# 2024-2025 GOALS & CLUB NEWS

## PRESIDENT'S 2024-2025 GOALS

I have a few things I would like to accomplish over the next year and hope that you can help me:

**Goal 1 | REENGAGE YOUTH AND THE ELIZABETHTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT** | Work with the EASD Administration and reactivate students in order to cultivate the next generation of service. Due by 1/1/25. Goal by 6/30/25 is to have an active INTERACT Club w/in EASD.

**Goal 2 | PROJECTS TO FIT THE BUSY LIFESTYLE / FAMILIES** | Work with existing members to develop (10) smaller service projects that can be handled by 2-5 members at a time. Projects will be completed by 6/30/25; reoccurring goal of (10) active projects at any time.

**Goal 3 | MEET W/ MEMBERS, WHAT MATTERS TO YOU** | Meet with each member of the Elizabethtown Rotary Club to uncover new ideas, passions, with the goal of re-engaging our member base. Due by 3/1/25 w/ a target metric of increasing meeting, committee, and service participation by 60% YoY.

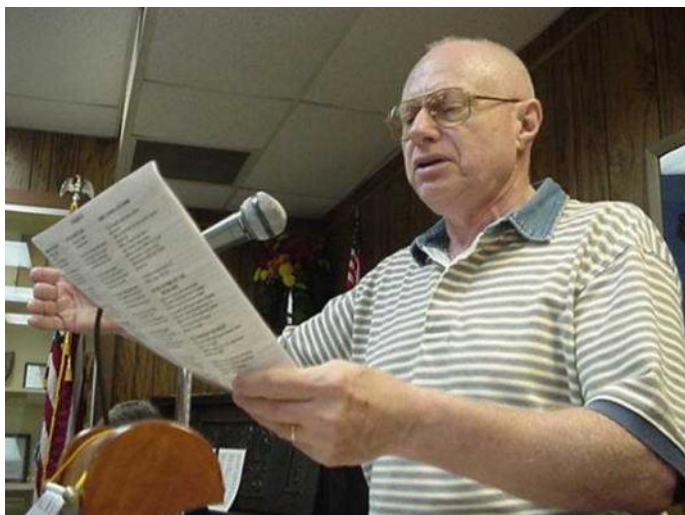
**Goal 4 | NEW MEMBER DRIVEN PROJECTS** | This Pending Board approval, all new members from FY '24 and then grouped by initiation year, will develop a service project and run it from start to finish. The group(s) will receive a stipend from the Club / District to aide in project completion.

**Goal 5 | COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS** | Develop (2) new community partnerships for a collaboration of service and new member recruitment. Due by 6/30/25.

### *In Fond Memory of Charlie Cobaugh, Past President 1995-1996*

Charlie Cobaugh loved to sing! He was our song leader for many years, before and after his Presidency. He loved those moments when he could belt out a good solo to cheers (and a few playful jeers) from the club members. We were well-known as a singing club around the district. Past District Governor Dick Brown once dubbed Charlie as "a Rotary treasure" much to Charlie's delight. Ron Stratton, our 75th Anniversary historian who wrote the history of our club that is posted on our website, once suggested that we should clone Charlie, so he could provide us with duets. Charlie liked the idea, recorded himself singing, and then did provide us with a duet, to the delighted cat-calls of Don Muston, Kenny Brandt and Red Musser. Charlie was often slightly annoyed by some of the sound effects provided by Club members during our musical moments, in particular, the howling of coyotes and hooting of owls during the singing of Home on the Range. His scowls only made the wildlife perform louder! *Yip-yip- yip- ow-woooo!* He served as Assistant Treasurer for a number of years during the pre-computer accounting days using wide green ledger pages that I inherited just before moving our accounting to Quicken. That was back when the Treasurer and Secretary were at the beginning of the progressive line of offices leading to President. He was a Paul Harris Fellow, and a devoted Rotarian for many years, and we have missed his presence on Fridays for quite a while. May God bless and keep you, Charlie!

*Tom Labagh, PP 2002-2003*



Scan or click the QR code to the right to view Charlie's obituary and service information



# JANUARY 2025 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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## Alison Fink

### PARENTS

Ron & Jodi Fink

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Student Council – May Day committee chair  
Jumpstart – mentor  
Cross Country team – captain  
Swim team  
Track & Field team

### SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

National Honor Society  
Honor Roll – grades 9, 10, 11  
AP Scholar award  
underclass academic awards for excellence in Intro to Health Sciences, Honors Human Anatomy & Physiology, AP Calculus AB, Honors Chemistry, College in High School Psychology

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

Elizabethtown Aquatic Club – volunteer coach  
Mount Joy Swim Team – volunteer coach  
Penn State Hershey Medical Center – volunteer

### EMPLOYMENT

Willowood Swim Club – lifeguard  
GEARS – swim lesson instructor, lifeguard  
private swim lesson instructor

### CHURCH AFFILIATION/ACTIVITIES

Mary Mother of the Church – member

### HOBBIES

spending time with family and friends, reading, attending concerts and sporting events

### FUTURE PLANS

attend college to further education and athletic career

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## Dalton Fink

### PARENTS

Jodi & Ronald Fink

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Cross Country team – captain  
Swim team  
Baseball team  
Student Lighthouse team – culture captain  
Athletic Support team  
Jumpstart – mentor

### SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

National Honor Society  
Honor Roll – grades 9, 10, 11  
underclass academic awards for excellence in Honors World History, Forensic Chemistry  
LL League Section II Cross Country Second Team All Star

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

Elizabethtown Aquatic Club – volunteer coach  
Mount Joy Swim Team – volunteer coach  
EAHS baseball – summer youth camp instructor, library book sale set up

### EMPLOYMENT

Elizabethtown Sporting Goods – team member  
Willowood Swim Club – lifeguard  
Rycon Inc Pressure Washing – crew member  
Clear Wealth Partners Investment Strategies – intern

### CHURCH AFFILIATION/ACTIVITIES

Mary Mother of the Church – member

### HOBBIES

hunting, offshore and bay fishing, spending time with friends and family, playing and attending sporting events

### FUTURE PLANS

attend university to major in business administration and to further athletic career

## 2024-2025 PREVIOUS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Scan or click the QR code to visit the EAHS Rotary Student of the Month web page to learn more about previous months' students.





SERVICE CALENDAR





# Future Service Opportunities

- Central PA Food Bank | Jan 29 | 5 - 7 PM
- A TASTE OF WESTERN LANCASTER COUNTY | FEB 7 | 4:30 - 9 PM

*A Taste of Western Lancaster County*  
 a celebration of food & fellowship in the Greater Elizabethtown Area



Beer Samples  Friends & Fellowship  Wine Samples  
 Great Food    Live Music



Scan for more info and to buy tickets!



**When:** February 7, 2025, 4:30pm to 9pm  
**Where:** Elizabethtown Public Library  
 10 South Market Street, Elizabethtown, PA 17022  
**Who:** You and your best friends 21 & over  
**Cost:** \$35 online ([tinyurl.com/2025TWLC](https://tinyurl.com/2025TWLC))  
 \$40 in person at the Library  
 There will be a \$5 increase to ticket prices after the Early Bird Special ends on 12/24/2024

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 Contact: 717.367.7467, x228 or email [admin@etownpubliclibrary.org](mailto:admin@etownpubliclibrary.org)

All proceeds benefit:




# COMMUNITY EVENTS ETC



Now is the time to register for the Rotary International Convention in Calgary, AB, Canada! Join your fellow Rotarians for a **spectacular Rotary gathering** from **June 21 to 25, 2025!**

## ***Here's your chance to join these 14 Etown Club members in Calgary this June***

**Glen Bootay, Don Grabowski, Dennis Zubler, Denise Grove, Bart Ziegler, Kevin Schafer, Lori Funck, LJ Funck, Sandra Bruce, Mark Bruce, Joe Rebman, John Yoder, Jeff Clark, and Debbie Dupler**



We are deeply saddened by the passing of Rotarian Jimmy Carter, the 39th President of the United States and a tireless servant of humanity.

President Carter embodied the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self" through his unwavering commitment to peace, humanitarian efforts, and community service.

As a dedicated Rotarian, he inspired countless individuals to follow his example of selfless dedication to the betterment of others. His pioneering work with The Carter Center and Habitat for Humanity will forever stand as a shining beacon of hope and compassion.

May President Carter rest in eternal peace.

