

The SPOKE

Elizabethtown Rotary Club

Elizabethtown
Rotary
Club



SERVICE ABOVE SELF | DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

MONDAYS | 5:30-6:30 PM

MOO-DUCK BREWERY

Julia Mayberry, Alt Meeting Chair

AUG 24 Doug Hitz, Deputy Exec Dir

Pa Liquor Control Board

AUG 31 Steph & Kimmel Schaefer

Dr Reuben & Sarah Gross House

SEP 7 NO MEETING!

SEP 14 TBD

TBD

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FRIDAYS | 12-1:30 PM

HENNIGAN'S REST. & BAR

President John Yoder

AUG 21 Jon Ebersole

Medicare Madness

AUG 28 Rotarians

Club Financial Review

SEP 4 TBD

TBD

SEP 11 Matt Garman

About Me

NO MEETINGS -

SEP 7 | NOV 27 & 30

WATCH PREVIOUS
FRIDAY SPEAKERS

THANK YOU...

...for sponsoring a new member
this Rotary Year

sponsor new member

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Okay folks, it's time to start adding to this list again for the 2026-2027 Rotary Year.

Do you have a friend, family member or coworker with a heart for service who's looking to make an impact? If so, please consider inviting them to join Rotary!

From the President ...

Dear E-town Rotarians

There are two items of note in this week's edition of the SPOKE.

First is the publication of our year-end club financials for the 2025-2026 Rotary year (see page 3 of this issue). We share this information with the club members on a semi-annual basis. If you were at last Monday's meeting you got the chance to hear Past President Glen run through the numbers and field some questions. The same presentation will occur at the Friday meeting on August 28th. If you missed Monday's presentation, please make plans to attend on Friday, August 28th.

Second, our very own Ralph Detrick has announced that he will be doing a tandem parachute jump to celebrate his 85th birthday. Ralph would like to use the jump to promote club member giving to the Rotary Foundation and has invited club members to attend and be part of his "landing party" on the big day. More details can be found on page 4 of this issue.

*Yours in Rotary service,
President John Yoder*

AUGUST

BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Michael Brubaker
- 9 Tim Haak
- 11 Jeffrey Clark
- 15 Howard Kroesen
- 22 James Mahler
- 26 David Pelna
- 26 Michael Porr
- 28 Nick Ressler
- 29 Jeffery Nolan



ONLINE PAYMENT &
ACH SETUP LINK

register.etownrotary.org/



JOKE OF THE WEEK

from the Editor

*Rumor has it that
orthodontists everywhere are
planning to go on strike...*

Brace yourselves.

Club # 5338, Chartered December 13, 1925 | John Yoder, PRESIDENT | Total Membership: 110 Active, 4 Honorary

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Group E: Elizabethtown, Mount Joy, Donegal, Lititz, Eastern York Co (Wrightsville), Hempfield, Manheim District # 7390 | Zones 24 & 31

2026-2027 GOALS

PRESIDENT'S 2026-2027 GOALS

My goals spring from “More Than The Core”, my motto for this year. While we have a large club, I believe we could be so much more if the entire membership was as engaged as the core group that always shows up. Towards that end, I’m setting out the following goals:

Goal 1 | EVERY MEMBER ATTENDING AT LEAST 2 MEETINGS A MONTH (8 opportunities)

Goal 2 | EVERY MEMBER PARTICIPATING IN AT LEAST 2 SERVICE PROJECTS FOR THE YEAR

Goal 3 | 100% OF MEMBERS DONATING \$100 EACH YEAR TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Being an active and engaged Rotarian is so much more than writing a check twice a year. If you’re not already participating regularly with your attendance, time and resources, please consider increasing your efforts to help us meet these 3 goals, Let’s all work together to make a bigger impact in our community and the world.

DONATE | SERVE | TRAIN

SERVICE CALENDAR



Scan or click the QR code to access the club calendar. Click on the event in the calendar to sign up.

Future Service Opportunities

- Post-Fair Clean Up - August 30, 2026, 1:00-2:00 pm.
- Cornerstone Youth Ministries - September 28, 2026
- Central PA Food Bank - Sept 16, 2026, 5:00-7:00 pm.

AUGUST



MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB
DEVELOPMENT

@PamB

#RotaryFacts

Rotary 
DID YOU KNOW?

There is a Rotary meeting being held someplace in the world **every hour** of **every day**. If you attended one meeting per day, it would take nearly **80 years** to visit all of the more than **46,000** Rotary clubs in the world, and by that time, no doubt, there would be thousands more new clubs to attend!



@changemakerevanburrell

CLUB NEWS

ROTARY CLUB OF ELIZABETHTOWN PROFIT & LOSS 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026

INCOME	
Dues	\$ 41,750.00
Website Sponsorships	\$ 450.00
Interest	\$ 11.92
Misc Donations	\$ 984.25
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 43,196.17

EXPENSES	
100 Yr Anniversary	\$ 4,351.73
Administration	\$ 4,782.97
Uncollected Accounts	\$ 1,670.00
Conference -Dist Assembly	\$ 1,370.27
Dues	\$ 21,986.08
Bank Fees	\$ 160.00
Merchant Fees	\$ 1,159.02
Website	\$ 941.37
Installation Dinner	\$ 3,461.20
Meals	\$ 2,516.34
Postage	\$ 212.31
Public Relations	\$ 1,237.30
Youth Leadership	\$ 1,200.00
Four Way Test Contests	\$ 600.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 45,648.59
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ (2,452.42)

GIFTS	
Community	\$ 26,350.00
Int'l Gifts	\$ 8,610.46
TOTAL	\$ 34,960.46

PROJECTS	
Christmas Tree Income	\$ 58,361.60
Christmas Tree Expense	\$ 27,737.55
NET	\$ 30,624.05
Taste Income	\$ 10,120.69
Taste Expense	\$ -
NET	\$ 10,120.69
Mothers Day 5k Income	\$ 4,088.72
Mothers Day 5k Expense	\$ 1,997.25
NET	\$ 2,091.47
Golf Tournament Income	\$ 24,670.00
Golf Tournament Expense	\$ 18,478.50
NET	\$ 6,191.50
NET Project Income	\$ 49,027.71

ASSETS AS OF 06/30/2026

NW Checking Acct	\$ 71,370.67
Fulton Scholarship Acct	\$ 17,398.29
Raymond James Scholarship Acct	\$ 125,907.81
TOTAL	\$ 214,676.77
TFEC Scholarship Acct	\$ 78,882.20

DONATIONS MADE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2026

Elizabethtown Girls Soccer Club	\$ 1,000.00
Elizabethtown Historical Society	\$ 100.00
EASD - Link Club	\$ 500.00
Winters Heritage House	\$ 650.00
Elizabethtown Area Ed Foundation	\$ 1,000.00
Elizabethtown College - BAS	\$ 1,000.00
Friendship Fire & Hose	\$ 1,000.00
Rheems Fire Company	\$ 1,000.00
NWEMS Foundation	\$ 1,000.00
Penn State Hershey Cancer Inst	\$ 5,000.00
Boy Scout Troop 51	\$ 250.00
Boy Scout Troop 51 - Trailer	\$ 1,000.00
GEARS	\$ 2,000.00
ECHOS - Gala Sponsor	\$ 1,500.00
ECHOS - Turkey Trot	\$ 250.00
ECHOS - Poverty Simulation	\$ 250.00
Boy Scout Troop 1	\$ 250.00
Elizabethtown DeMolay	\$ 250.00
ShelterBox USA	\$ 1,500.00
Rotary Club of Harrisburg - Grant	\$ 500.00
Friendship Fire & Hose - 50% Golf	\$ 6,191.51
Girl Scout Troop 71686	\$ 250.00
Boy Scout Troop 117	\$ 100.00
Threads & Treads	\$ 250.00
Clearview Lanes Jr Bowlers	\$ 400.00
East High PTO	\$ 1,000.00
Hope Within	\$ 750.00
Etown Fair	\$ 500.00
EACTC	\$ 2,500.00
Cornerstone	\$ 1,000.00
Minithon	\$ 1,000.00
Candlelight for Empowerment Kenya	\$ 1,500.00
Peace Corp - Engle	\$ 1,000.00
Scholarships (2)	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 37,441.51

ONE GIANT LEAP FOR RALPH!

You heard that right! Ralph Detrick plans to jump out of a perfectly good aircraft. Heaven only knows why. Actually, Ralph is doing this to celebrate his 85th birthday. A little birdy told me his son may have had something to do with convincing him to take on this feat of daring do.

Ralph would like to use this event promote Goal No. 3 for this year which is "100% OF MEMBERS DONATING \$100 EACH YEAR TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION". The Board has discussed Ralph's plan and would like to help by awarding Paul Harris Fellow matching points to any member who donates to the Rotary Foundation in support of Ralph's GIANT LEAP.

The club will provide matching points for a minimum of \$25 dollars up to a maximum of \$100 dollars. Please give your cash or check (made out to the club) to Glen Bootay. Glen will bundle the donations, submit them to the Foundation and make sure everyone who donates gets the proper credit and matching PHF points.

Ralph's big day will occur on September 12th at 1:00 pm at the Maytown Sport Parachute Club, located at the Donegal Springs Airpark weather permitting. He is inviting all club members who are able to attend to witness the event from the spectator area. Please let Ralph know if you plan to attend. I hear tell that some refreshments might be provided.

Let's all donate and show up to support Ralph and the Rotary Foundation!



COMMUNITY EVENTS



Rotary

District 7390



FOUNDATION DINNER

JOIN THE LINEUP

AN EVENING OF COMMUNITY, CONNECTION & IMPACT



★ DATE: ★
SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2026

\$75
PER PERSON



5:30PM – 6:00PM
COCKTAILS & NETWORKING



6:00PM – 8:00PM
DINNER & PROGRAM



LOCATION:
COUNTRY CLUB OF YORK
1400 COUNTRY CLUB ROAD, YORK

★ **SCAN TO REGISTER!** ★





THE IMPACT TOUR

EARLY LITERACY BOOK DRIVE

Help us build brighter futures—one book at a time. We're collecting 1,700 books for children newborn to age 5 to support early literacy and learning in communities across District 7390.



OUR GOAL:
1,700 BOOKS
Ages Newborn–5



WHY IT MATTERS

Early literacy lays the foundation for lifelong success. Access to books helps children:

- Build language and vocabulary
- Strengthen cognitive and social skills
- Foster a love of reading and learning
- Start school ready and confident

Your donation today helps open doors to opportunity for our youngest learners.



**COLLECTIONS
RUN THROUGH
NOVEMBER!**



WHAT TO DONATE

New books for children from newborn to age 5
Board books, picture books, and early learning books greatly appreciated!

TOGETHER, WE
*CREATE LASTING
IMPACT*

Thank you for investing in the future.
Let's reach our goal of 1,700 books!

Questions? Contact your Assistant Governor or visit rotary7390.org

*Please
bring your
book
donations
to any
weekly
meeting.
Assistant
District
Governor
Glen
Bootay
will collect
them.*

2026-2027 BOARD

PRESIDENT	John Yoder
PRESIDENT-ELECT	Wendi Grinnell
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	Brittany Garner
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	Kevin Becker
ALT MEET CHAIR	Julia Mayberry
SECRETARY	Deb Dupler
TREASURER	Ryan Yorty
AT-LARGE MEMBERS	Mike Brubaker
	Steve Goettler
	Paul Wolgemuth
PAST PRESIDENT	Denise Grove
ASSIST. SECRETARY/	
TREASURER (NON-VOTING)	Glen Bootay

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

NOMINATING	Denise Grove
FOUNDATION	Ken Wolfe, Dennis Zubler
MEMBERSHIP	Brittany Garner
FAMILY OF ROTARY	--
INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS	Joe Rebman
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS & LOANS	Deb Handsheiw
PUBLIC IMAGE/RELATIONS	--

FUNDRAISING CHAIRS

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE	Glen Bootay, Mike Kalloz
GOLF MAJOR	Ben McCurdy
TASTE	Kevin Gardner
PINTS FOR POLIO	LJ Funck & Brittany Garner
GRANTS	Don Grabowski, Kevin Schafer

PROJECT CHAIRS

SERVICE COMMITTEE	Deb Dupler, Kristen Brubaker
4-WAY ESSAY/SPEECH	Dave Peln
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS	Dan Brill
RYLA	Wendi Grinnell
STUDENTS OF MONTH	Debbie Dupler
YOUTH EXCHANGE	Wendi Grinnell

CLUB SERVICE CHAIRS

INVOCATION COORDINATOR	Ben Hoffman
CARING/CARDS	Lori Funck
AV/IT & SPOKE EDITOR	John Yoder
SHERIFF	--
WEBSITE	Joe Rebman, Tom Labagh, Tim Haak



MEMBERSHIP

Honorary

	Ann Reinhold *
	Bob Messick
	Joe Murphy
	Betty Rider
1959	Clair Baum *
1966	Harold Engle *
1973	Jake Olweiler
1977	Paul Wolgemuth * +
1981	Noble Johnson *
1985	Kevin Dolan *
1986	John Smith
1988	Roger Hipple
1990	Bill Davis *
	Tom Labagh *
1991	Ken Wolfe *
1995	Dennis Zubler * + ^
1996	Joe Rebman *
1997	John Martin II *
1999	Barry Acker
2000	Matt Denlinger
	Hob Kroesen * (1980-91)
	Stacy Steinkamp
2001	Ralph Detrick * +
2002	Dan Brill * !
	Deb Dupler *
	Dave Hickernell
2003	Bob Hollinger
2004	Marty Thomas-Brummé
2005	Wayne Heisey
2006	Kevin Engle * +
2007	Scott Kingsboro
	Joe Lisi # (1973)
	Jeff Kline * !
2008	Tyler Smith
	Michael Kalloz *
2011	Stanley Mumma
2012	Tim Haak *
	Ben Hoffman (1965-67)
2013	Jeff Clark *
	Bill Moore (1974-81)
	Michael Handsheiw *
2014	Don Grabowski *
2015	Jeff Nolan (97-2008)
	Del Becker
	Lori Funck
	Ben Travis
2016	Mitch Forry
	Marc Hershey
	Jeff Marsico
	Ed Thomas

2016 November

Began Monday Meeting

	Mike Brubaker
	Kristen Brubaker
	Robert "BJ" Reedy
	Glen Bootay * !
	Scott Little (1998-2005)
	Greg Grogan
2017	Mark Bruce
	Wendi Grinnell !
	Allison DeArment
	<u>Trent DeArment</u> 10
	Christian Zechman
	Meshelle Pinzon
	John Yoder *

2018	Robert Switalski	
	Michele Switalski	
	David Peln !	
	Ryan Yorty	
	<u>Dustin Conrad</u> 8	
	Greg Grove	
2019	Alyssa Roth !	
	Kevin Becker	
	Casey Greinermiller	
	<u>Ed Cunningham</u> 5	
	Denise Grove *	
	Calvin Kent #	
	Kevin Schafer	
2020	Rick Clark #	
	Dan Stephenson	
	Nick Ressler	
	<u>Susan Grubb (2007-11)</u> 7	
2021	David Wendel	
	Zach Carter	
	Kevin Gardner	
	<u>J Craig Kimbark</u> 5	
	Caitlin Barton	
	Deb Handsheiw	
	Ben McCurdy	
	Austin Hilsher	
2022	Gary "Bud" Barton	
	Lee Eckert	
	Tony Gobble	
	Cindy Wivell	
	<u>Nancy Sabb</u> 10	
	LauraJo "LJ" Funck !	
2023	Jim Brandt	
	Brittany Garner	
	<u>Annie Weiler</u> 4	
2024	Nikita Grove	
	Jeff Kime	
	<u>Anthony Sklareski</u> 3	
	Wade Amick	
	Julia Mayberry !	
	Dana Ramsey	
2025	Curt Norris	
	Robert "Duck" Sholl	
	Teresa Mullhausen	
	James Mahler	
	Steve Goettler	
	Adam Hauptman	
	<u>Bryan Baird</u> 10	
	Michael Porr	
	Eric Frishkorn	
2026	Matt Garman	
	Bill Weik	
	Melissa Weik	
	<u>Tammy Magee</u> 6	

2012-2013-2014-2015-2016-2017

2017-2018

* past/current President
^ past district governor
+ past assistant governor
! past/current Alt. Club Chair
joined Rotary-another club