

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

OCT 5 Rebecca Zalit
District Governor Visit
OCT 12 Doug Peck
*The Effects of Plastic Packaging
on Human Health*
OCT 19 Rachel Engle
Ecuador Project
OCT 26 TBA
TBA

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FRIDAYS 12-1:30 PM

**HENNIGAN'S RESTAURANT &
BAR** John Yoder, PRESIDENT

OCT 2 Amy Zeigler
Hershey History Film
OCT 9 TBA
TBA
OCT 16 Ed Foster, Executive Director
Lancaster Airport
OCT 23 TBA
TBA

NO MEETINGS

NOV 27 & 30 | DEC 25 & 28

[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,

I hope all of you will join me for our Monday night meeting on October 5th at Moo-Duck Brewery. District Governor Rebecca Zalit will be our special guest and will fill us in on all things District 7390. Let's get a large group together and show Governor Rebecca some Etown Rotary love. Don't forget your book donations.

Continuing the District 7390 theme, time is running out to sign up for the District Foundation dinner on November 7th. I'm attending along with several other Board members. This is an excellent way to meet Rotarians from other clubs around the District and hear about all the great projects being funded by the Foundation. But wait, there's more! The club will cover you registration fee for the event (see details, page 5) Let's get a large group together and really represent our club at the event!

Finally, in case you missed Deb's email sharing Ralph Detrick's tandem parachute jump video or were unable to view it via the Google Drive folder, here is a link to view it on YouTube.

<https://youtu.be/xYzciVgTbL4>

Yours in Rotary service,
President John Yoder

OCTOBER

BIRTHDAYS

7 Barry Acker
8 Tyler Smith
12 Casey Greinermiller
15 J Harold Engle
24 Wendi Grinnell
29 Roger Hipple

JOKE OF THE WEEK

from the Editor



*The famous singer Sting has been
kidnapped...*

The Police have no lead.

[ONLINE PAYMENT &
ACH SETUP LINK
register.etownrotary.org/](#)

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. Toward 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

OCTOBER



Rotary 

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

@PamB

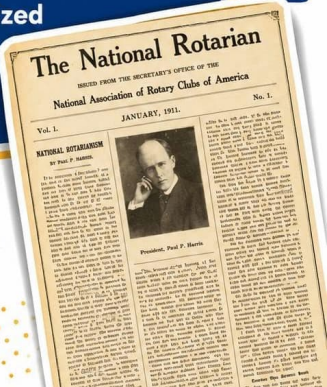
#RotaryFacts



Rotary 

DID YOU KNOW?

In January **1911** the first issue of **The National Rotarian** was published. The name was changed to **The Rotarian** in **1912**, when Clubs were organized in Canada. Since **2020**, it's now called **Rotary Magazine**



@changemakerevanburrell

CLUB NEWS



Elizabethtown Rotary's
BINGO
WITH A *Purpose*

10/24/26

DOORS OPEN AT **1:00 PM**
BINGO STARTS AT **2:00 PM**

ELIZABETHTOWN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

★ PLAY BINGO ★ WIN PRIZES ★ MAKE A DIFFERENCE

TOGETHER, WE CAN **END POLIO FOR GOOD.**

Rotary PEOPLE OF ACTION

END POLIO NOW Benefiting Rotary International's End Polio Now Campaign

..... All proceeds support Rotary International's mission to eradicate polio worldwide.

The poster features a dark blue background with a yellow border. On the left, there are five colorful bingo balls with the letters B, I, N, G, O. In the center, the word 'BINGO' is in large, white, block letters, with 'WITH A Purpose' in a yellow script font below it. To the right, the date '10/24/26' is in large, red, block letters. Below the date, there are icons for a door, a clock, and a location pin, followed by the event details. At the bottom, there are logos for Rotary International, 'People of Action', and 'End Polio Now'. Two bingo cards are shown on the right, one with a red star and one with a blue star. A red bingo marker is also visible.

We need volunteers to support this event. Please contact [LJ Funck](#) if interested. Volunteers will meet prior to the event to go over the day. We also need event sponsors. There are 2 levels of sponsorship available. A \$250 sponsorship receives 2 tickets to the event. A \$500 sponsorship receives 4 tickets. Anyone willing to sponsor should also contact [LJ Funck](#).

**WORLD
POLIO DAY
IS 24 OCTOBER**

endpolio.org | [#endpolio](https://twitter.com/endpolio)



Rotary  **END POLIO NOW**

COMMUNITY EVENTS



RLI North East America

**Learn. Connect.
Lead. Make a Difference.**

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) *An Opportunity for Every Rotarian*

The **Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)** is an opportunity to meet with fellow Rotarians, share experiences, discover new ideas, and develop skills you can take back to your club.

And you don't have to be in the leadership chain to benefit!

If you want to learn more about this wonderful organization we call Rotary and find out what you can actually do to start changing the world, **put attendance on your schedule.**



**WHEN CAN I
ATTEND RLI?**

Saturday, October 10, 2026
7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



WHERE?

Central Penn College
600 Valley Road
Enola, PA 17093



**WHAT IS THE
COST?**

\$125 per Rotarian
*Rotary Clubs should pay for
their members to attend RLI.*



WHAT IS RLI?

RLI is a leadership and development program designed to strengthen Rotary Clubs through education, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas among its future leaders. A three-part curriculum facilitated by experienced, trained faculty members engaging participants through open discussion, problem solving and creative role-play.



WHAT WILL I LEARN?

You'll explore:

- ✓ More about Rotary
- ✓ The Rotary Foundation
- ✓ Membership
- ✓ Ethics
- ✓ Service Projects
- ✓ Communications
- ✓ Strategic Planning & Analysis

*And you'll do more
than learn — you'll
make new friends,
share ideas, and
enjoy fellowship and
networking with
Rotarians from
throughout the region.*



COURSE LEVELS

Part I • Part II • Part III • Graduate

From Vision to Impact



Whether you're a newer Rotarian or an experienced member looking to take your Rotary experience to the next level, there's an RLI experience for you.



READY TO TAKE YOUR ROTARY EXPERIENCE FURTHER?

*Put RLI on your calendar and join us on **Saturday, October 10, 2026!***



REGISTER TODAY
www.rlinea.org



Questions?

Contact Melissa Kopp-Smith
office@rotary7390.org
717-854-7842

***Come learn. Come connect. Come discover what you can do
to help Rotary change the world!***

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Rotary
District 7390



★ *Join Rotarians* ★
FROM ACROSS DISTRICT 7390

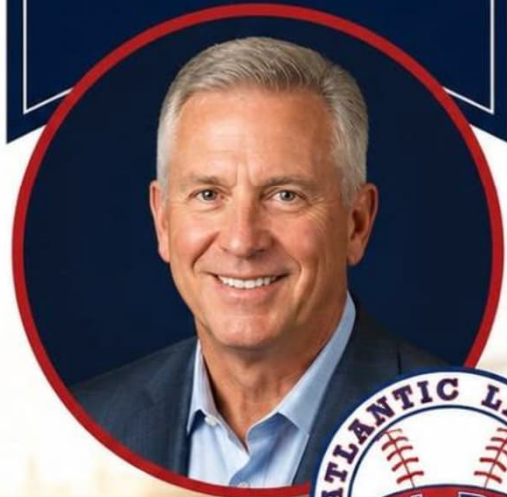
ROTARY *Foundation* DINNER



★ FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER ★

RICK WHITE

PRESIDENT OF THE
ATLANTIC LEAGUE



— SATURDAY, —
— NOVEMBER 7, 2026 —

BASEBALL THEME ★ FELLOWSHIP ★ INSPIRATION ★ IMPACT



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!** ★



Cost for this event is \$75.

The club will reimburse members for their registration fee.

Lancaster Stormers mascot Cylo will visit our meeting on Oct 12th to promote the dinner.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



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.

OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

photo courtesy of Epic Photography

Caleigh Troop

PARENTS

Jeremy & Lindsay Troop

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Student Council – co-president
- EAHS Class of 2027 – co-secretary
- Mini-THON – member, captain
- Unified Club – secretary
- May Day Committee – chair
- Superintendent Advisory Committee – chair
- cross country team – LL League Second Team All-Star
- swim team – Rookie of the Year
- track & field team – Rookie of the Year

SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

- National Honor Society
- Honor Roll
- underclass Award of Excellence in Spanish I, Honors General Science, Honors 10 ELA, Honors Chemistry

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

Willowood Swim Team
Elizabethtown Aquatic Club
Healthy Kids Running Series – volunteer

EMPLOYMENT

Willowood Swim Club – lifeguard, swim instructor
Elizabethtown Aquatic Club – junior coach
Masonic Village – lifeguard
GEARS – lifeguard, swim instructor

HOBBIES

- running, swimming, skiing, camping

FUTURE PLANS

- attend a college or university to study both elementary education and special education while furthering her swimming career

photo courtesy of Epic Photography

Adam Crick

PARENTS

Robert & Joan Crick

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- volleyball team
- golf team
- orchestra
- EAHS musicals – stage crew, tech crews

SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

- National Honor Society
- Honor Roll

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

Prevail Volleyball Club

EMPLOYMENT

Messick Farm Equipment – parts department

CHURCH AFFILIATION/ACTIVITIES

East Fairview Church – youth group
Elizabethtown First Church of God
Camp Yolijsa – camp counselor

HOBBIES

- playing golf, spending time with family & friends, following the Baltimore Orioles, Denver Broncos, and Penn State football

FUTURE PLANS

- pursue a bachelor's degree in aviation and leadership to become a commercial airline pilot

2026-2027 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.



2026-2027 BOARD

PRESIDENT	John Yoder
PRESIDENT-ELECT	Wendi Grinnell
1 ST VICE PRESIDENT	Brittany Garner
2 ND 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 * + A
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-Brumme
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	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
	Trent DeArment 10
	Christian Zechman
	Meshelle Pinzon
	John Yoder *

2018	Robert Switalski		
	Michele Switalski		
	David Peln		
	Ryan Yorty		
	Dustin Conrad	8	2017-2018
	Greg Grove		
2019	Alyssa Roth		
	Kevin Becker		
	Casey Greinermiller		
	Ed Cunningham	5	2018-2019
	Denise Grove *		
	Calvin Kent #		
	Kevin Schafer		
2020	Rick Clark #		
	Dan Stephenson		
	Nick Ressler		
	Susan Grubb (2007-11)	7	2019-2020
2021	David Wendel		
	Zach Carter		
	Kevin Gardner		
	J Craig Kimbark	5	2020-2021
	Caitlin Barton		
	Deb Handsheiw		
	Ben McCurdy		
	Austin Hilsher		
2022	Gary "Bud" Barton		
	Lee Eckert		
	Tony Gible		
	Cindy Wivell		
	Nancy Sabb	10	2021-2022
	LauraJo "LJ" Funck		
2023	Jim Brandt		
	Brittany Garner		
	Annie Weiler	4	2022-2023
2024	Nikita Grove		
	Jeff Kime		
	Anthony Sklareski	3	2023-2024
	Wade Amick		
	Julia Mayberry		
	Dana Ramsey		
2025	Curt Norris		
	Robert "Duck" Sholl		
	Teresa Mullhausen		
	James Mahler		
	Steve Goettler		
	Adam Hauptman		
	Bryan Baird	10	2024-2025
	Michael Porr		
	Eric Frishkorn		
2026	Matt Garman		
	Bill Weik		
	Melissa Weik		
	Tammy Magee	6	2025-2026

2016-2017

* past/current President
A past district governor
+ past assistant governor
past/current Alt, Club Chair
joined Rotary-another club