

The SPOKE

Elizabethtown Rotary Club

SERVICE ABOVE SELF | DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

MONDAYS | 5:30-6:30 PM

MOO-DUCK BREWERY

LauraJo (LJ) Funck, Alt Meeting Chair

OCT 27 Susan Ewing

United States of America's Mrs. Harrisburg

NOV 3 Dennis Zubler

The Rotary Foundation

NOV 10 Anne Marie Willis LGH Blood Bank

NOV 17 Jennifer Wallitsch

PA Dept of Corrections Training Academy

NO MEETINGS

NOV 28 | DEC 1, 12, 15, 26 & 29



FRIDAYS | 12-1:30 PM

HENNIGAN'S REST. & BAR

President Denise Grove

OCT 24 Sherri Gorman

Freedom Outfitters/Armory

OCT 31 Justin Risser

Farming Today

NOV 7 Dennis Zubler
The Rotary Foundation

NOV 14 Jennifer Wallitsch

PA Dept of Corrections
Training Academy

WATCH PREVIOUS FRIDAY SPEAKERS

THANK YOU...

...for sponsoring a new member this Rotary Year

<u>sponsor</u> <u>new member</u>
Elizabeth Wolf Michael Porr
Eric Frishkorn Ben McCurdy

We've gained 2 new member this year! Let's keep the momentum going.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

A special welcome to our new member Eric Frishkorn who was approved by the Board and has cleared seven day notice. If you see Eric at a meeting, please introduce yourself and make him feel at home.

JOKE O

JOKE OF THE WEEK

from the Editor

Why are demons and ghouls always together?

Because demons are a ghoul's best friend.

From the President ...

Just a quick note to say thank you to our members for everything you do to keep our club active, welcoming, and making a real difference in our community. Your energy and involvement are what make Rotary special.

I was a bit saddened as we took our vote on the Legacy Fund that in three meetings we didn't have 40 different individuals in attendance. Although the vote is important, that is not why I was sad. I am sad because there are many of you we haven't seen in quite a while. We need your energy and involvement to keep our club healthy and thriving.

If you haven't been to a meeting in a while—we miss you! Life gets busy, and we totally get it. But we'd love to see you again soon. Whether it's a regular meeting, a service project, or a social event, there's always a place for you here.

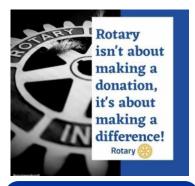
Let's keep the momentum going and make sure everyone feels connected and involved. If there's anything we can do to help you plug back in, just let me know.

Yours in Rotary service, President Denise Grove

OCTOBER

BIRTHDAYS

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



ONLINE PAYMENT & ACH SETUP LINK

register.etownrotary.org/pay

Club # 5338, Chartered December 13, 1925 | Denise Grove, PRESIDENT | **Total Membership: 113 Active, 5 Honorary**PO Box 89, Elizabethtown, PA 17022 | *elizabethtownrotary.org etownparotary@qmail.com* | *facebook.com/etownrotary*

2025-2026 GOALS & CLUB NEWS

PRESIDENT'S 2025-2026 GOALS

My goals for the year are simple but powerful:

Goal 1 | BE A GOOD HUMAN

Goal 2 | BE A GOOD ROTARIAN

Each of us has something unique to offer—our time, our talents, our resources. Let's give generously from that "box" we each carry, and together, let's make an unforgettable impact.

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

- Act with integrity and uphold the highest ethical standards.
- Deal fairly with others and treat every person with respect.
- Mentor young people—especially by leading through example.
- Extend care and support to those with special needs.
- Work to improve quality of life and well-being in my community and across the world.

Be Trustworthy. Lead by Example.



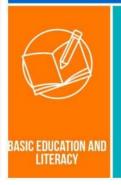








"DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD"









HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday December 13, 2025 is Elizabethtown Rotary Club's 100th Birthday! We will celebrate on that Saturday morning at 8:30 am with a combined meeting with breakfast at Hennigan's. Sign up for this special meeting is coming soon.

There will be no meetings on December 12th or 15th so don't miss this once in a lifetime chance to celebrate this incredible milestone for our club on the very day!

DONATE | SERVE | TRAIN

SERVICE CALENDAR



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

Future Service Opportunities

- Central PA Food Bank | October 29 5:00-7:00 pm
- Lancaster County Project for the Needy Food Delivery | December 20, 2025
- Christmas Tree Sale Signup Coming Soon!

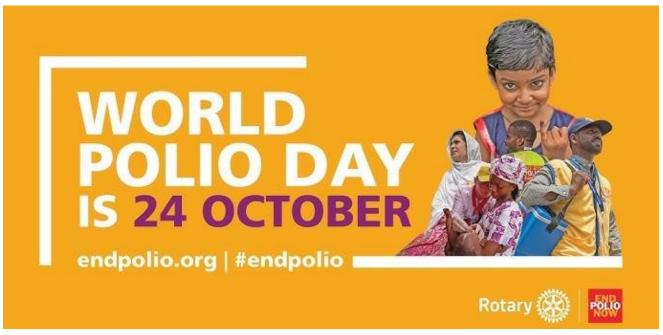


Elizabethtown Rotary Club Legacy Fund Vote

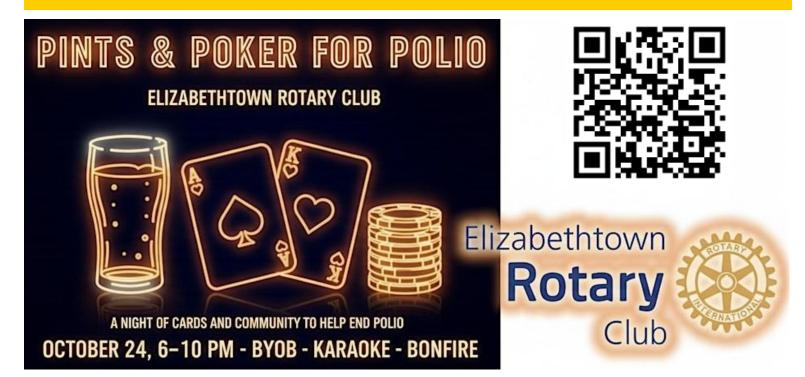
THE RESULTS ARE IN!

Many thanks to all the members who attended a meeting over the last two weeks to participate in the Legacy Fund Vote. The voting is closed and we are pleased and grateful to announce that the measure passed with 52 yes vote and 0 no votes. We can now move forward with funding our share of our global grant to provide medical equipment for Ghana. Please watch for global grant updates in coming issues of the SPOKE.

Thanks again for your participation and willingness to fund this vital project.



COMMUNITY EVENTS



Bring the crew and your lucky card face—Elizabethtown Rotary is throwing a FREE, fall BYOB night with all the good stuff: poker tables, karaoke, a cozy bonfire, and s'mores. We'll have coolers to keep your drinks cold, every dollar raised goes towards supporting Rotary's efforts to End Polio.

Free to attend • BYOB (21+ to consume alcohol). Coolers on-site to keep beverages chilled. Cash poker buy-ins and a 50/50 raffle. Karaoke all night (power ballads encouraged)
Bonfire + s'mores station

When & Where:

Thursday, October 24 • 6:00–10:00 PM Whispering Willows Homestead 680 Cloverleaf Road, Elizabethtown, PA

Why it matters:

Every hand, high note, and toasted marshmallow supports Rotary's End Polio efforts. Come for the fun—stay for the impact.

What to bring:

Your favorite beverages. CASH for poker and the 50/50 raffle Friends who sing off-key with confidence

Good-to-know:

All are welcome—players and cheerleaders alike Outdoor elements are weather-permitting; we'll adapt if needed! Please drink responsibly Ready to shuffle up and deal for a great cause?

Grab your free RSVP now! Click or scan the QR Code above or follow this link https://tinyurl.com/42msvjtw

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The **Rotary Foundation**



Doing Good in the World















The Rotary Club of Palmyra cordially invites you to the

Annual Rotary Foundation Dinner

Saturday, November 15, 2025 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Purcell Friendship Hall 109 McCorkel Road, Hershey, PA. 17033

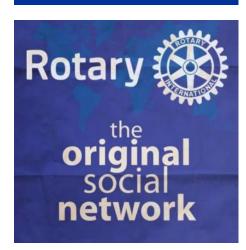
> RSVP by Oct. 30, 2025 \$70 per person Please indicate any dietary allergens.



STUDENTS OF THE **MONTH SPEAK**

Our September and October **Students** the month presented their speeches at our Friday, October 17th meeting. They did an excellent job. You can learn more about Lex. Kendal, Dominic and Annale on pages 6 & 7 of this issue.

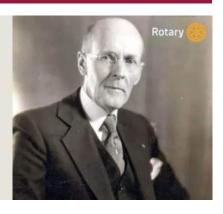
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"This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it. The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again."

Paul Harris founder of Rotary



SEPTEMBER 2025 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Annale Nguyen

PARENTS David Nguyen Jessica Nguyen

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Class President Mini-THON - overall chair Student Ambassador Jump Start - mentor mathematics tutor swim team orchestra - violin chorus

SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

underclass academic award for excellence in US History **National Honor Society** College Board's National First Generation Recognition

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

- EAC (Elizabethtown Aquatic Club)
- Mount Joy Lions Swim Team

EMPLOYMENT

■ Willowood Swim Club – lifeguard, swim instructor

HOBBIES

spending time with family & friends, crocheting, playing guitar, playing piano

FUTURE PLANS

■ attend college to pursue a bachelor's degree in engineering







Lex Hershock

PARENT Erica Hershock

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

band - marching (section leader), concert, jazz orchestra - symphony, musical pit soccer team track & field team cross country team lacrosse team **Student Council** Mini-THON **Future Business Leaders of America** Fellowship of Christian Athletes **Bible Club Key Club**

SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

National Honor Society LLMEA County Band

Link Crew - student mentor

underclass academic award for excellence in Band, Health, Computer Science, Career & Finance, Spanish I, Honors Geometry

Superintendent's Advisory Committee – Certificate of Achievement Do The Right Thing award

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

- Rotary Youth Leadership Conference
- Willowood Blue Fins swim team
- club soccer (Donegal)

EMPLOYMENT

- Willowood Swim Club front desk associate
- Adventure Sports customer service associate

CHURCH AFFILIATION/ACTIVITIES

EBIC (Elizabethtown Brethren in Christ) – youth group

HOBBIES

spending time with family & friends, anything sports-related

FUTURE PLANS

■ attend a four-year college while participating in music and sports

2025-2026 PREVIOUS

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

OCTOBER 2025 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Kendal Huggins

PARENTS

Emily & John Huggins

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Student Council – president
Class Vice President
lacrosse team
Future Business Leaders of America – president
Link Crew – commissioner

EMPLOYMENT

- East Hanover Township Parks and Rec camp counselor
- Starbucks barista
- Sloan's Pharmacy pharmacy intern

CHURCH AFFILIATION/ACTIVITIES

Hope Community Church – youth group

Choosing STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Debbie Dupler | STUDENT OF THE MONTH CHAIR

All EAHS faculty and counselors have the ability to nominate students throughout the year based on four areas: character, academic achievement, leadership, and community service. Students may also apply to be considered for selection. An EAHS counselor leads the committee of 15-20 faculty/staff who meet three times each year. They discuss in depth each student nominated. Multiple votes are held during the process with a final "secret ballot" vote. The end result is a group of outstanding and well-deserving students that we have the pleasure of meeting and getting to know.

Introduce yourselves to the students when they are in attendance at our Friday meetings. If you attend Monday meetings, try to attend a Friday meeting and meet these very special young men and women. Though it seems very cliché, they are the future!



Dominic Hemsch

PARENTS

Robert & Bianca Hemsch

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

band – marching (drumline captain), concert, jazz orchestra – symphony, musical pit Model UN – president Roots & Shoots – media manager Key Club Human Rights Club Book Club

SCHOOL/ACADEMIC AWARDS

National Honor Society
underclass academic award for excellence in Speech & Band
AP scholar
PMEA District 7 Band, Jazz Band
LLMEA County Band
LLMEA County Orchestra

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

■ Masonic Village Encore Band

EMPLOYMENT

■ self-employed musician

HOBBIES

writing & playing music with his band (*Doctor G and the Electric Hands*), spending time with family & friends

FUTURE PLANS

- attend university with double majors in music and business
- pursue a law degree to practice copyright law or music management

2025-2026 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.



2025-2026 BOARD

PRESIDENT Denise Grove PRESIDENT-ELECT John Yoder 1ST VICE PRESIDENT Wendi Grinnell 2ND VICE PRESIDENT **Brittany Garner** ALT MEET CHAIR LauraJo (LJ) Funck

SECRETARY Deb Dupler TREASURER Ryan Yorty AT-LARGE MEMBERS Nancy Sabb Tony Sklareski

Ken Wolfe

Shaun McCoach PAST PRESIDENT

ASSIST. SECRETARY/

TREASURER (NON-VOTING) Glen Bootay

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

NOMINATING | Shaun McCoach

FOUNDATION | Ken Wolfe, Dennis Zubler

MEMBERSHIP | Brittany Garner

FAMILY OF ROTARY | Shaun McCoach

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS | Joe Rebman

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS & LOANS | Deb Handshew

PUBLIC IMAGE/RELATIONS | Shaun McCoach

FUNDRAISING CHAIRS

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE | Glen Bootay, Mike Kalloz GOLF MAJOR | Ben McCurdy TASTE | Kevin Gardner PINTS FOR POLIO | Denise Grove GRANTS | Don Grabowski, Kevin Schafer

PROJECT CHAIRS

SERVICE COMMITTEE | Deb Dupler, Kristen Brubaker 4-WAY ESSAY/SPEECH | Dave Pelna **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS** | Dan Brill RYLA | Wendi Grinnell STUDENTS OF MONTH | Debbie Dupler YOUTH EXCHANGE | Wendi Grinnell **100**TH **BIRTHDAY** | Hob Kroesen, Dennis Zubler

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

2017-2018 2018-2019

Honorary		2018	Shaun McCoach *		
	Ann Reinhold *			Robert Switalski	
	Bob Messick			Michele Switalski	
	Joe Murphy			David Pelna!	
	Chuck Mummert * +			Ryan Yorty	
	Betty Rider			Dustin Conrad	9
1959	Clair Baum *			Greg Grove	
1966	Harold Engle *		2019	Alyssa Roth!	
1973	Jake Olweiler			Kevin Becker	
1977	Paul Wolgemuth * +			Casey Greinermiller	
1981	Noble Johnson *			Ed Cunningham	5
1985	Kevin Dolan *			Denise Grove *	
1986	John Smith			Steve Glick!	
1988	Roger Hipple			Calvin Kent #	
1990	Bill Davis *			Kevin Schafer	
2550	Tom Labagh *		2020	Rick Clark #	
1991	Ken Wolfe *			Dan Stephenson	
1995	Dennis Zubler * + ^			Nick Ressler	
1996	Joe Rebman *			Susan Grubb (2007-11)	8
1997	John Martin II *		2021	David Wendel	
1999	Barry Acker			Zach Carter	
	Tom Campbell			Kevin Gardner	_
2000	Matt Denlinger			J Craig Kimbark	<u>5</u>
	Hob Kroesen * (1980-91)			Caitlin Barton	
	Stacy Steinkamp			Deb Handshew	
2001	Ralph Detrick * +			Ben McCurdy	
2002	Dan Brill *!		2022	Austin Hilsher	
	Deb Dupler *		2022	Gary "Bud" Barton Lee Eckert	
	Dave Hickernell				
2003	Bob Hollinger			Tony Gibble	
2004	Marty Thomas-Brummé			Cindy Wivell Nancy Sabb	10
2005	Wayne Heisey			LauraJo "LJ" Funck!	10
2006	Kevin Engle * +		2022		
2007	Scott Kingsboro		2023	Jim Brandt	
	Joe Lisi # (1973)			Brittany Garner	
	Jeff Kline * !			Annie Weiler	4
2008	Tyler Smith			Derek Lehman	
	Michael Kalloz *		2024	Nikita Grove	
2011	Stanley Mumma			Jeff Kime	
2012	Tim Haak *	2 2		Anthony Sklareski	4
2042	Ben Hoffman (1965-67)	2012- 2013- 2013 2014		Wade Amick	
2013	Jeff Clark *	ω <u>'</u> -		Joey Lonardi	
	Bill Moore (1974-81)	20		Julia Mayberry	
2014	Michael Handshew *	71.		Dana Ramsey	
	Don Grabowski * Jeff Nolan (97-2008)		2025	Curt Norris	
2015	Del Becker	20 20		Robert "Duck" Sholl	
	Lori Funck	14 15		Teresa Mullhausen	
	Ben Travis	2014- 2015- 2015 2016		James Mahler	
2016	Mitch Forry	000		Steve Goettler	
2010	Marc Hershey	<u> </u>		Adam Hauptman	
	Jeff Marsico	•		Bryan Baird	11
	Ed Thomas			Michael Porr	
2016	November			Eric Frishkorn	
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Mike Brubaker Kristen Brubaker Robert "BJ" Reedy Glen Bootay *! Scott Little (1998-2005) **Greg Grogan** Mark Bruce Sandra Bruce Wendi Grinnell! Allison DeArment

Trent DeArment Christian Zechman Meshelle Pinzon John Yoder

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past/current President past district governor

+ past assistant governor ! past/current Alt. Club Chair # joined Rotary-another club