

THE ROTARY FELLOE

Rotary Club of Easton, Pa., District 7430 Founded in 1915 Charter # 149 President: Lynn Schoof President Elect: Audra Frank Secretary: Andrew Bogoly Treasurer: John David

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1915 - CELEBRATING 110 YEARS OF SERVICE - 2025 Meets at 12:15 p.m., Thursday *Vol. 2505*

March 27 - Pomfret Club at Noon

This Week:



Focus On Peace







Mike Dowd: Celebrating



In Rotary



5:30 PM Wednesday at the Pomfret Club

LAST WEEK:

Our program featured Bethlehem Morning Star Rotarian Rick Morrissey who is a member of the District 7430 Environmental

Sustainability His Team. presentation focused on the importance of native plants. The ever-increasing land development in our area leads directly to landscaping numerous new projects. The problem is that many people select plants that look great but are not native to our area. Often these plants are not suitable for supporting local our



ecosystem. The Penn State Extension has produced a Lehigh Valley Native Plant Directory to help people choose proper plants. Our food production is tied directly to the insects in the region. Those insects are looking to find native plants on which to feed. Healthy insects will pollinate the crops and allow us to produce food. Approximately 1/3 of our food is pollinated by bees. We have created somewhat of a war on insects. True, we do not want them infesting our homes but we want to support their ability to live outdoors. If insecticides must be used they should be used sparingly and only directly on the intended targets. Do not spray indiscriminately as you will affect many useful insects.

Rotary Opportunity: The Rotary Leadership Institute is coming to DeSales University on March 22. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary.

Service Opportunity: This year's Pack The Purse will be in conjunction with the Pomfret Club Book Club. Start searching for those lightly used bags! Information about wish lists and drop-off locations are coming soon. The final packing is scheduled for May 8 at the Pomfret Club.

Fundraiser News: Upcoming projects include Pints For Polio in October, A Jack Daniels Whiskey sale, and a possible elementary school

spelling bee. The Jack Bennett Basketball sponsor letters will be distributed soon. A major Dickens-based fundraiser is scheduled for December 3.

Community Service Opportunity: Easton Rotary will be collecting books for the Northampton County Juvenile Detention Center. The project is looking for books appropriate for people aged 12-21. Books should be educational with a positive message.

Food Dept.: Thanks to Zack Chase and BJ Metz for delivering 625 pounds of Wegman's food to the pantry at ProJeCt.

Cookie Dept.: Terry Pundiak treated us all to some delicious cookies in honor of Pi Day. In case anyone is wondering, the circumference of the cookies was approximately 9.43477 inches. The area of the cookies was approximately 28.27431 inches.

Happy Things: *Brett Webber* is anticipating the Lehigh Valley Rail Briefing. *John Eisenhard* is back and enjoying the balmy Easton weather. *Jim Palmeri*

had 67 happy dollars. *Gayle Rogers* was just because happy. *Rick Morrissey* was happy fifteen times for a free speaker's lunch. *Gordon Pop-Pop Bigelow* is a pizza thief in grandson Jacob's dreams. *Audra Frank* is looking forward to the Miracle League concession stand cleanup. *Tom Walton's* granddaughter insists that he is not "Tom", he is Pop-Pop. *Terry "3.141592653589793238462" Pundiak* is gearing up for Pi day. *Lynn Schoof* finds her laundry already mounting as the big day looms closer.

Baby Clock: For those keeping track, we have reached week 33.

Other Baby News: A shower is planned for Thursday April 3 at 5:30 PM at Jean McGill's office. Registry is available at Target. Watch for more details in upcoming newsletters.

Service Opportunity: April 19 will be the Rotary Day of Service. Perhaps a downtown garden cleanup or a planting on the KSAT? The Club is looking for ideas.

Service Opportunity: Saturday May 3 will be Service Club Day at the Miracle League. Volunteers from the Easton Kiwanis, Easton Lions, Palmer Kiwanis, and Easton Rotary will take over the concession stand for the day. There are two shifts available: 9:30-11:30 and 11:30-1:30. Let BJ know if you are available to help out.





Unwrap the Magic of Rotary!

2025 Multi-District Conference Date: April 4-6, 2025 Location: The Hershey Lodge

Registration is now open. https://bit.ly/4cWoh3E

Important Dates:

April 1: Easton Rotary's 110th Birthday!!!

April 3: Baby Shower Social at McGill Orthodontics

April 10: Pomfret Club at Noon April 24: Students of the Month

May 8: Pack The Purse



Rotary on the Web:

Easton Rotary: www.eastonrotary.com District 7430: www.rotarydistrict7430.org Rotary International: www.rotary.org