



Rotary Opens Opportunities

# THE ROTARY FELLOE

Rotary Club of Easton, Pa., District 7430  
Founded in 1915 Charter # 149

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Meets at 12:15 p.m., Thursday (someday?) at Northampton Country Club *Vol. 2027*

*Next Meeting: Dec. 10: Rabbi Melody Davis*

**This  
Week:**

*Happy Dollar Pledges: \$95*



**December 3  
Evening Social  
at the  
Pomfret Club**



# LAST WEEK:



**Our program featured** the annual preview of the Easton/Phillipsburg football game. Unfortunately, the preview happened at least 53 weeks before the game as complications from Covid regulations forced cancellation of this year's contest. We were joined by the Athletic Directors from both schools. Phillipsburg AD Tom Fisher told how breaking the news to the players was the hardest thing he had to do in 25 years. Officials from both schools had come together early Wednesday afternoon and decided they had no choice. The safety of the students was paramount. Easton AD Jim Pokrivsak entered the gym at 3:45 to break the news to the Easton players. Seniors on both squads saw their high school football careers come to an abrupt end. Yes, the annual contest is an important football game but it is far more than that. It is engrained in our culture. Traditions stretch back for more than a century. It is the oldest interstate high school football rivalry. Dating back to 1905, this would have been the 114th meeting. The game moved to Thanksgiving Day in 1916. The teams began playing at Lafayette College's March Field and moved to Fisher Field in 1926. This year's game would have been the first to be played at Phillipsburg. Tom and

Jim face major issues will all sports. The upcoming winter sports programs are already delayed and somewhat limited. They will continue to roll with the punches and do what's best for the students. This year's sports programs may be over but the traditions will remain as strong as ever. Look forward to game #114 in 2021.

**Foundation Chair Mike Dowd** noted that November 24 has been designated as Giving Day in District 7430. All Rotarians are urged to consider a donation the Foundation of Rotary International. The strength of our Foundation has propelled Rotary to being one of the leading charitable entities in the world. Our 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for the last twelve years is incredible. Making a donation is easy at Rotary.org. Rotarians can opt to use Rotary Direct and have regularly scheduled donations automatically billed to a credit card or transferred from a bank account.

**Service Opportunity:** Kathy Trimble is collecting empty shoeboxes. They can be dropped off at the collection points for the food pantry items.

**Community Service Opportunity:** Easton Rotary will be systematically supporting the Easton-based food banks. Volunteers will be collecting food from drop-off spots. The current collection will benefit Wilson Area LINC'S Family Center. Food donations can be dropped off at the Easton Y or Metz, Inc. (Metz - 2211 Lehigh Street, Easton). Items requested include canned vegetables, boxed instant potatoes, cereal hot/cold, kids drink boxes, PB & J. The next delivery is scheduled for November 24. Monetary donations should be mailed to Mike Dowd (Checks made to the Easton Rotary Foundation, c/o **Mike Dowd, 25 Chestnut Ridge Circle, Easton. PA. 18042**). Please note the corrected address for Mike.

**Holiday Opportunity:** Phillipsburg Rotary is selling **poinsettias**. They are available in various colors and sizes. An order form will accompany this edition of The Fellow.

**Membership Opportunity:** Gordon Bigelow has stepped up to lead our membership initiative. There is always room for volunteers on this committee. Watch for electronic surveys from Gordon in coming weeks.

**Future Meetings:** Upcoming meetings will be held through Zoom technology. The first meeting of the month will be at 5:30, Thursday. The Pomfret Club will be the venue for the in-person portion. All other meetings will be scheduled for Thursdays at noon. Student awards and speakers will be featured in upcoming weeks.



**TOGETHER, WE GIVE**

This year we are  
coming together as  
**ONE** to give  
to the Annual Fund of  
The Rotary Foundation

**D7430 Giving Day  
11.24.20**

**Important Dates :**

*Nov. 26: Thanksgiving*

*Dec. 17: TBA*

*Dec. 24: Celebrate a Holiday! (perhaps Christmas Eve)*

*Dec. 31: Celebrate another Holiday!*



**Rotary on the Web:**

**Easton Rotary:** [www.eastonrotary.com](http://www.eastonrotary.com)  
**District 7430:** [www.rotarydistrict7430.org](http://www.rotarydistrict7430.org)  
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**ATTENTION EASTON ROTARY:**

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