



Rotary Opens Opportunities

THE ROTARY FELLOE

Rotary Club of Easton, Pa., District 7430
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Meets at 12:15 p.m., Thursday (someday?) at Northampton Country Club *Vol. 2024*

Next Meeting: October 29: Fulbright Scholars from Kazakhstan

**This
Week:**

Happy Dollar Pledges: \$86



Oct. 22

Zoom At Noon!!

With

Linda Grass:

St. Luke's Easton Hospital



LAST WEEK:

Our program featured Jared Mast who is the Executive Director of the Greater Easton Development Partnership. GEDP is a volunteer driven, non-profit entity that collaborates to nurture Easton's economic well-being and cultural vibrancy. The organization oversees programs including Easton Main Street Initiative, the Farmers Market, The Public Market, Easton Ambassadors, and PA BaconFest. The newest program is the West Ward Community Initiative. WWCI has partnered with the YMCA, the Easton Community Center, and Lafayette College to offer youth programming. A new partnership with Community Bike Works is designed to establish a youth mentorship program. CBW is a youth-serving organization that teaches life lessons through bicycles. It offers high quality mentorship programs alongside additional resources for students and their families, with a focus on racial equity. Hearst Publishing has emerged as a collaborative partner through their Bicycling Magazine. The physical location chosen for this project is 921 Spruce Street which will be purchased by GEDP. They hope to be open for business in late 2021. The core target group is students in grades 6 through 8. The Earn A Bike program allows students to learn skills whilst building their own bicycle. The bike is theirs to keep forever. They learn skills, get mobility, and lead a more active, healthy lifestyle. The positive interaction with adults may be a turning point in their lives.

Happy Things: *Gordon Bigelow* was happy ten times for winning the Pot Of Gold at the Phillipsburg Rotary Golf Outing. *BJ Metz* was happy because Team Easton Rotary crafted a nifty one under par 70 at the Phillipsburg Outing.

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

Service Opportunity: There is still time to *Race To Zero* to help eradicate polio. Register online at www.purplepinkie.net. Remember, every donation will be matched 2:1 by the Gates Foundation.

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 St. Vincent/St. Jane Food Bank. Food donations can be dropped off at the Easton Y or Metz, Inc. (Metz - 2211 Lehigh Street, Easton). Items requested include rice, instant boxed potatoes, and pasta. The next delivery is scheduled for October 27. 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.**

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.

Service Opportunity: The Miracle League will host a Trunk Or Treat Halloween Party in the afternoon on Saturday, October 24. Easton Rotary already has a spot reserved. We will need some candy and a theme with which to decorate our vehicles.

Good News Dept.: Easton High Athletic Director Jim Pokrivsak reports that the teams have been selected for the Jack Bennett Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament. Chair Lew Fish is already working to secure sponsors for the event. Local businesses and individual Rotarians are encouraged to become sponsors.

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.

Easton Rotary Service Foundation Reminder: Easton Rotary Service Foundation Fellows are available to all at a cost of \$500 each. The money does not have to be paid in one lump sum. Birthday donations, memorial donations and direct donations all count toward the total.

“Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.”

This new vision statement helps us set a future course so that Rotary can thrive in the years ahead. It reflects the impact Rotary aspires to have on the world and our members.

Team Easton Rotary!!!



Important Dates :

November. 5: Evening In-Person Social at the Pomfret Club

November 12: Students of the Month

Nov. 19: Easton - Phillipsburg Football Preview

Nov. 26: Thanksgiving

Dec. 3: Evening Social



Rotary on the Web:

Easton Rotary: www.eastonrotary.com
District 7430: www.rotarydistrict7430.org
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ATTENTION EASTON ROTARY:

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