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Rotary Club of Easton, Pa., District 7430
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Meets at 12:15 p.m., Thursday *Vol. 2230*

Next Meeting: December 8: Lunch at the Nurture Nature Center

**This
Week:**

**You don't Imagine yesterday,
You Imagine tomorrow.**



Tuesday November 29



*Home of Paul & Paula Braden
2886 Hope Ridge Drive, Easton 18045*



Evening Social - 5:30 PM

LAST WEEK:

The program featured the annual Easton vs. Phillipsburg football preview. This year we traveled to Flynn's on the Hill in Phillipsburg for the big event. The traditional game began in the same year as Rotary - 1905. Then, as now, it was played at Lafayette College. The cheerleader coaches introduced the senior captains. Both coaches spoke about how the cheerleading teams practiced together for a joint cheer. Both squads collected food in large baskets that were exchanged and then distributed to local families. Phillipsburg Head Football Coach Frank Duffy grew up with the game and participated in it whilst playing for the Stateliners. He lamented that time often goes by so fast that we don't take the time to appreciate what we have. The absence of the game in 2020 taught him the lesson that playing the game is more important than the outcome. He believes that the 2020 heartbreak will make us all stronger because we know what it is like to have something taken away. In many ways, a piece of all of us was missing in 2020. People who move here don't understand the tradition at first but they learn quickly. You can feel it. Easton Athletic Director Jim Pokrivsak is overseeing his final Thanksgiving Day game. He also was a participant back in his playing days. Easton Head Football Coach Jeff Braido spoke of how the Phillipsburg neighborhoods remind him of Easton. If there was no river to separate us we would be one town. He stresses community service with his players. During a recent volunteer outing at the Miracle League, the players found themselves volunteering at the same time as the Phillipsburg players. He spoke of how students in recent years have had to endure a lot of strange things but he predicts it will help them ultimately become better people.

Evening Social: This month's social will be hosted by Paul and Paula Braden at their home in Bethlehem Township. There will be no charge. There is no need to bring food. The fun begins at 5:30.

Science Lunch: The December 8 Thursday lunch meeting will be held at the Nurture Nature Center (518 Northampton Street, Easton - parking is available directly behind the building). The lunch will be catered by the Kellyn Foundation Kitchen.

Holiday Opportunity: Phillipsburg Rotary is selling **poinsettias**. They are available in red, white, pink, and marble. 4 sizes are available. The deadline to order is November 30. Order through the links at the Club website.

Jack Bennett Classic: The Holiday Basketball Tournament is rapidly approaching. Please consider a donation to support our fundraiser. Business card ads start at \$100. Donations of any size are appreciated.

District Conference: This year's event is scheduled for May 5-7, 2023 at the Tropicana Hotel in Atlantic City. Registration is already open and can be accessed through Pottstownrotary.org. Early registrants will be eligible for a lottery-drawn upgrade.

International Service: All donations to The Rotary Foundation's Disaster Response Fund from 3 March to 30 April 2022 were prioritized for use providing humanitarian aid to regions that are supporting Ukrainian refugees or other victims of the war. Thanks to the generosity of donors around the world, we raised more than \$15 million that funded over 400 grants that provided essential support to people impacted by the war in Ukraine.

Polio Update: Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are renewing their longstanding partnership to end polio, announcing a joint commitment of up to \$450 million to support the global polio eradication effort. Rotary is committed to raising \$50 million per year over the next three years, with every dollar to be matched with two additional dollars from the Gates Foundation.

Rotary Dues: For the first time in many years, the Rotary Club of Easton will have an increase in dues. The increase will only apply to members over the age of 40 and will amount to an increase of \$5 per month. The new billing will start in 2023.

Speaker Assignments: Open dates start in January. Try to get a couple of possible dates from your speaker. Almost any topic is acceptable but remember to caution your guest speakers: Our rules prohibit political messages or campaigning, business commercials, and direct solicitation.

“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.

Community Service

Capt. Isabel from the Salvation Army receives 71 pieces of women's clothing and several pair of shoes. Thanks to Lynn and Michael at Lehigh Valley Drycleaners for providing the clothes. Thanks to Marnie for doing the delivery.



Jack Bennett Classic: This will be the 26th edition of the popular Tournament. Easton and Phillipsburg will serve as the anchor teams. Girls teams will include Emmaus and Freedom. The boys bracket will feature Bangor and Hatboro-Horsham.

Important Dates :

November 24: Thanksgiving

November 29: Evening Social at the Braden Residence

December 8: Lunch at the Nurture Nature Center

December 15: Students of the Month

December 22: Jack Bennett Holiday Classic Lunch

December 27, 28: Jack Bennett Holiday Classic

January 12: Lin Erickson - DaVinci Science Center Update



Rotary on the Web:

Easton Rotary: www.eastonrotary.com

District 7430: www.rotarydistrict7430.org

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