

Rotary



Club of Cranberry Township - Sunrise

Speakers

February 03, 2023

Beth Marshall, District 7280
PolioPlus Chair

Beth will update the Club on RI's PolioPlus Program as well as the Youth Exchange Program

February 10, 2023

General Assembly meeting is for members only

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Events

February 18th
Learn To Play Texas
Hold'em - Cranberry Elks

Birthdays

Elizabeth Echevarria
February 3rd
Thomas A. Norton
February 15th
Brian M. Kile
February 23rd
Justin Ball
February 28th
Michael J. Ozdinec
March 1st

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries
Found

Club Leaders



Karen S. Newpol
President



Michael J. Ozdinec
President-Elect



Timothy D. O'Brien
Secretary

Kimberly Reuss
Rotary Foundation

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