

Rotary

Club of Plymouth



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Plymouth

Meets at Plymouth Cultural Ctr.



525 Farmer Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

Time: Friday at 12:00 PM

Events

September 22nd
[Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting](#)

September 29th
[Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Broadcaster September 15, 2023

By William Weber on Tuesday, September 19, 2023



Call to Order

President, **Chris Porman**, called the meeting to order at precisely 12:00 pm. Chris led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kurt Heise did the meditation and focused on the wonderful BBQ event including the fact that the chickens were cooked properly, our volunteers stayed focused, we once again withstood the county health inspection, that we provided good will for the community and a heartfelt thanks to all who made the event successful.

BBQ Report Members of the BBQ committee were on hand and made a preliminary report of the highly successful BBQ. Final details will be presented in the near future. BBQ chair, **Andy Savage** was presented with the 2023 BBQ Poster which was signed by all members of the committee. A well deserved standing ovation was given to **Andy** for a job exceptionally well done.

September Birthdays

- Carolyn Butler
- John Hamerink
- Jacqueline George
- Bryce Bilinski
- Marie Morrow

Special Announcements and Upcoming Events

District Governor's Golf Outing. This outing will be held on Monday, September, 2023 at Grosse Ile Country Club. Proceeds for this event support World Community Service Projects of D6400.

October 27 – Official visit from District Governor Russ Jones.

November 9, 2023 District 6400 will be hosting "Celebrate the Rotary Foundation" which will feature a live auction and raffles. This event will be held in Southgate at the Crystal Gardens Banquet Center. For further information go to Tinyurl.com/TRF6400

Plymouth Ghost Cemetery Walk- This years' event will feature 8 characters, all of whom are either Rotarians or wives of Rotarians. Tickets and additional information can be accessed at the following address:

[Plymhttps://www.eventbrite.com/e/plymouth-ghosts-cemetery-walk-tickets-694191975887?aff=oddtcreator](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/plymouth-ghosts-cemetery-walk-tickets-694191975887?aff=oddtcreator)

Rotarian **Angela Ridpath** shared an article about the BBQ her daughter, **Grace**, wrote for the PCEP school newspaper "Perspective" Following is a link to the article: <https://the-perspective.org/5648/news/p-cep-student-groups-help-plymouth-rotary-run-67th-annual-chicken-barbeque/#>

December 5, 2023 The Town Hall Speaker Series sponsored by the Plymouth Rotary in cooperation with the City of Plymouth will feature **Doug Griffiths** who is an International Speaker, Community Consultant and author of "13 Ways to Kill Your Community" This event will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Sergeant at Arms The Sergeant at Arms portion of our meeting was back by popular demand. Today's Sergeant, **Cam Miller**, provided a brief history of the Sergeant at Arms which usually included minimal fines for certain indiscretions such as not showing up for rack cleaning or, BBQ set up or various and other sundry indiscretions. Cam fined all those who didn't attend rack cleaning as well as the set up. On occasion, certain Rotarians may commit more serious infractions such as not attending the BBQ itself. In those instances, the Sergeant may impose more stringent fines, which he did. **Sandy Mily and Jim Schebil** were each fined \$100 and they were happy to pay it as the fine could have been much more.

Program

Today's program featured City of Plymouth Mayor and Plymouth Rotarian **Nick Moroz**. Nick discussed the upcoming City of Plymouth ballot proposal (Prop 1). This proposal will provide additional funding to the city to acquire, construct, improve, furnish, operate and maintain parks and recreation facilities. Nick pointed out that this proposal is a result of considerable community input as well as a continuing need to provide opportunities for the citizens of the

community... Nick presented an excellent slide show and accompanying rational, all of which can be accessed by going to Plymouthrotary.org and clicking on the Face book button.

50-50 **Marie Morrow** won \$59 in today's 50/50.

This was not **Jim Schebil's** week as he was first fined \$100 by the Sergeant and adding insult to injury would've won \$260 in the Second Chance drawing had he been in attendance and bought a ticket.

Four Way Test

The meeting was concluded with the recitation of the Four Way Test.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:05

Broadcaster August 25, 2023

By Kurt L Heise on Monday, August 28, 2023

Editor's note: In preparation for the Breast of Truth ceremony, your BBQ committee attended the Larry, Curley and Moe skool of Acting!!!!

Call to Order:

John Buzuvis called the meeting to order. There was a big crowd today for the annual "State of the Barbie."

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the group, and **Your Scribe** delivered the meditation for the day which recognized our neighbors impacted by recent storms and those first responders and workers striving to restore power and remove debris.

Lunch featured meat loaf and mashed potatoes.

Introduction of Guests:

There were nearly 12 guests today attending the State of the Barbie.

Upcoming Events:

- **Music in the Air** needs volunteers to staff the Rotary tent. The last concert is Friday, September 1. Concerts will be at Kellogg Park starting at 7 p.m.
- **Maui Wildfire Assistance** – Rotary District 5000 (Hawaii) is providing support. Please go to their website at rotaryd5000.org.
- **September 15** – Human Trafficking Conference at Henry Ford College in Dearborn, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. \$35.00 General Admission; \$10 student.
- **September 18** - 42nd Annual District Governor's Golf Outing – go to the District 6400 website for details.
- **November 9** – Rotary Foundation Banquet at Crystal Gardens, Southgate. \$75.00 per person. Go to the District 6400 website for details.

Important Reminder – NO MEETINGS on September 1 (Labor Day) and September 8 (Fall Festival and BBQ weekend)

Special Program:

The annual "State of the Barbie" program was held in eager anticipation of the September 10 Rotary Chicken BBQ. This glorious tradition featured **Gary Stolz** sworn in as Advisor to the Barbie as presented by **Brandon Bunt** after several minutes of apparent chaos and script uncertainty. A new "Staff of Knowledge" was presented to the club as the current staff is covered



with plaques and is full! **Andy Savage** will be this year's Chairman of the BBQ and he introduced his committee who each explained their roles. 8,500 chickens will meet their fate on the grills. Volunteers are needed for set-up and take-down days before and after the BBQ.

BBQ setup- Saturday Sept 9 @ 2:30 pm

Day of Assignments will be arriving to your email box soon!

BBQ teardown- Monday Sept 11 @ 8 am. Please come and help!

Lawn signs were distributed to those who need them. Please do not put them between the sidewalk and curb or the City and Township will remove them! Contact Eric Joy for additional signs - ericmjoy@gmail.com

Liz Kerstens from the Plymouth Historical Museum and **Ellen Elliot** were also on hand for the State of the Barbie festivities and took a few minutes to discuss their **new book dedicated to the history of the Plymouth Rotary Chicken BBQ – how cool is that?** They are looking for anything that you might have, especially old Broadcasters, that will help them tell the story of our annual (and historic) Chicken BBQ.

50/50

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by **Bill Weber** for \$65. **Dave Willett** would have won the Second Chance for approximately \$200 but he did not purchase a ticket!

The Club remains in the State of the Barbie until September 11.

Until we meet again –

Lunch ordering- Advance sign up is IMPORTANT!

Respond to the weekly email or Email Marie.morrow@pcuw.org or Call Marie - 734- 453-6879 X 4

Salad options available:

Maurice Salad

Cesar with or without chicken

Greek with or without chicken

Spinach with or without chicken

Mediterranean

Club Leaders



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