

Rotary Club of Plymouth



Broadcaster Dec 16, 2022

By Arthur W. Gulick on Sunday, December 18, 2022

Friday, December 16, 2022

Reported by **Art Gulick**

PROGRAM: President **Penny Joy** began without our usual preliminaries, handing the microphone to Rotarian **Monica Merritt**, Superintendent of Plymouth Canton Community Schools, who introduced the student musical groups that performed in concert for us today: the Festival Singers, led by **Ms. Jennifer Neumann**, assisted by pianist **Mr. Stephen Lynn**; and the PCEP Symphony Orchestra, led by **Mr. Michael Edwards**.



Club Meeting

Plymouth
Meets at Plymouth
Cultural Ctr.
525 Farmer Street
Plymouth, MI 48170
Time: Friday at
12:00 PM

Events

No Events found

Club Leaders



Penny Joy
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Club Executive Secretary

Coping with stuff like Covid-19 during the past two years has kept us from hearing these talented high schoolers present their customary concert at the Cultural Center, and it's wonderful that the local schools, like our own club and the rest of society, are getting back to normal. We enjoyed hearing these student musicians, and we hope they had fun and enjoyed educational benefit also.

We heard a variety of selections for mixed chorus and for female and male vocal ensembles. The string orchestra played seasonal favorites, classical music, and selections from *Frozen*.

There are concerts at PCEP during the coming week: choral groups on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 and orchestra on Wednesday, December 14, both at 7:00 pm in the Gloria Logan Auditorium.

APPEAL: June Kirchgatter reminds us to contribute Rotarians relief for Ukraine, managed by the Rotary Club of Poznan, Poland.

FIFTY-FIFTY: Linda Darga won the purse. No one qualified for the Second Chance.

NEXT MEETING: We are taking two weeks off from our regular Friday noon meetings. **We will be gathering again on January 6, 2023. Happy Holidays!**

Broadcaster December 9, 2022

By William Weber on Sunday, December 11, 2022

Broadcaster December 9, 2022

Call to order

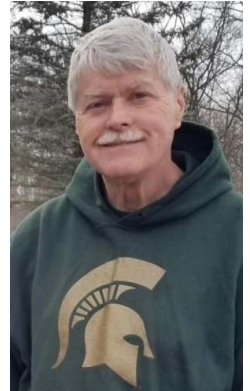
President Penny called the meeting to order at 12:05 and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kurt Heise** did the meditation which invoked many of the principles prevalent in Native American practices.

Introduction of Guests

Yasir Kohgali, President of the Plymouth District Board of Trustees and visiting Rotarian **Mike Moser** honored us with their presence today.

New Member Induction

Matthew Studnicki became our latest Rotary Member. **Matthew** was sponsored by **Eric Joy**. **Eric** and **Matthew** worked closely together in the years that **Eric** was president of the Fall Festival and **Matthew** was the treasurer. **Matthew** was our first zoom inductee as he was unable to attend today. **Eric** went to **Matthew's** house and did the introductions from there. **A hearty Rotary welcome to Matthew.**



Birthdays

Justin Nichols, Terry Durkin, Caroline Mayer, Jim Schebil, Herman Theeke, Bob Waite, Doug Willet, Paul Opdyke, Kirk Kohn and Bill Morrison, are all celebrating birthdays this month.

Rotary Anniversaries

Mike Howell – 31 years

Jan Eisen – 25 years

Denise King – 24 years

Christine Vega – 18 years

Helen Yancy – 12 years

Josh Mrozowski – 8 years

Special Announcements

Denise King and Bruce Baxter spoke about how, through the years, Rotary always sponsored a Holiday event for the Opportunity House occupants. This was an event that was also near and dear to the heart of former Rotarian, **Tony Bruscato** who died earlier this year. **Denise** explained that due to an onslaught of illnesses the event will be cancelled this year. Greeting cards were provided by **Denise** for Rotarians to sign and will be distributed to the Opportunity House occupants.

Bruce Baxter went on a shopping spree and purchased enough boxes and personal items to make certain that each person at Opportunity House will receive a gift.



June Kirchgatter announced that there are also cards at the tables which need to be signed. These cards will be distributed to select Senior citizens.

Penny urged all people interested in attending next week's **PCCS Choir and Orchestra Concert** to sign up for lunches early as this event will also be attended by other Plymouth and Canton service groups.

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AFA92BAA8-pcep>

Members were reminded that next weekend is our chance to finally beat the Kiwanians in raising money for the Salvation Army. I think **Penny** may have a nickel or two wagered on the outcome so let's all pitch in to save her from an embarrassing moment.

Board member elections will be held early this year due to Rotary requirements beyond our control, Members who are interested in serving on the Board are encouraged to contact **James Van Horn**.

Ed Schulz provided some very low-cal cookies in appreciation for all the Rotarians who have pitched in to provide transportation for him.

Program

Today's program was different than previous programs. **Penny** explained that so much of the work of Rotary is targeted to international, national and local projects but in our efforts to bring about these initiatives we sometimes don't get to know each other very well. Today's program was a "table exercise" specifically aimed at getting to know each other. Based upon the laughter that I heard not only at my table but other tables as well this program was undoubtedly a resounding success.

.50-50 The 50-50 was won by Russ Jones.

Second chance Drawing – Had Tom Adams been in attendance he would have won the weekly drawing.

Next meeting

December 16 -PCCS Choir and Orchestra Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AFA92BAA8-pcep>

December 23- NO MEETING!

December 30- NO MEETING!

Our first meeting of the new year is January 6, 2023.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15

Here is the zoom link to all of your weekly club meetings.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85108677383?pwd=aEJNeFILRzdCRzVwVkdXNi9iL0hZUT09>

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Broadcaster Dec 2, 2022

By Paul J. Sincok on Monday, December 5, 2022

Rotary Club of Plymouth
Newsletter for Friday, December 2, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: A large crowd was on hand today and we even had a couple of Zoom watchers on-line. **President Penny** called the



are still looking for bell ringers.

IT'S BACK ON: The **holiday concert** with the High School Choir and Orchestra is back on for December 16th. We have invited the Kiwanis Club, the Canton Rotary, and the Plymouth AM Rotary, so you will need to **get your food order in** to make sure you get a seat.

NEXT WEEK: Next Friday, December 9th, we will induct a new member into the club, so plan on welcoming **Matt Studnicki** to membership. **We are also doing a collection for the Salvation Army, and specifically they are looking for shampoo & conditioner, body wash and laundry detergent.** Those items would be most helpful to get to those in need. Please plan on stopping by the store this week and purchase a few items to donate next Friday.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS: There will soon be an election for club Board of Directors. We need six people to be nominated or to express interest. Contact **James Van Horn** if you are interested or have a suggestion of someone who might be willing to serve.

PROGRAM REPORT: This past Friday we had our annual Public Safety/First Responder Awards. We honored Police Officers from the City and Township, we also honored Fire Fighters from both the Township and City. We met the Paramedic of the Year from Huron Valley Ambulance and honored the City and Township Municipal Services/Public Works First Responder of the Year.

Members learned that this was the first year that we were adding Municipal Services/Public Works because under federal regulations, public works are considered first responders. We learned that it is difficult to get the police and fire departments to a call for service if the roads are covered in snow or if there are trees blocking the road from a storm. We learned that Municipal Services works hand in hand with police and fire services to ensure a safe working environment and that they have specialized equipment which allows them to respond to environmental emergencies, again in tandem with police and fire. We learned that it was Municipal Services/Public Works that had to go out make a roadway safe for police and fire vehicles to move as they were stuck on solid ice and could not move without causing damage to their vehicles. It is a nice addition to our awards. We did learn that while the police and fire departments get to a scene in about five to eight minutes and respond to the emergency situation, often times they get nice thank you cards or even cookies. On the other hand, if Municipal Services/Public Works gets to a scene of a backed-up sewer and they clear it quickly and professionally, there are generally no nice cards thanking the crew for the quick response and resolution to the issue and no cookies. ??

Our honorees this year were as follows:

- **Huron Valley Ambulance Paramedic of the year – Matt Hartman**
- **City Fire Services Firefighter of the year – James Barron**
- **City Police Officer of the year – Jon Hiemstra**
- **Township Police Officer of the year – Brad Vaughn**
- **Township Fire Fighter/Paramedic of the year – Adam Guinn**
- **Township Public Works employee of the year – James Bartlett**
- **City Municipal Services employee of the year – Adam Gerlach**

If you missed attending this program, be sure to catch it on the Club's Facebook page at Rotary Club of Plymouth Michigan.

WINNER OF THE WEEK: This week's winner of the 50/50 was Chuck Lang. Congratulations.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: This from the Disney Institute; "The best legacy is not one that is fondly remembered, but one that is actively emulated."

WITH THAT HAVE A SUPER POSITIVE WEEK!

Paul J. Sincok

meeting order at the appointed hour, and we had our moment of meditation from **Mary Ann Wood**. We were treated to a Thanksgiving Meal. The visiting groups on hand for the annual Public Safety Awards got through the serving line followed by our members.

REMINIDER: The Rotary Salvation Army Bell Ringing weekend is coming up on December 16 & 17. **President Penny** reminded us that **we need to beat the Kiwanis Club this year**. It has been many a year since we beat the Kiwanis Club. We are ringing the bells at Busch's at Sheldon and Five Mile, Kroger out on Haggerty and Five Mile and the Kroger's at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon. Tell your family and friends to come out and support Rotary bell ringing and to be generous. Sign up emails have been going around and we

