



Monday, August 25, 2025

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Rotary

## Events

August 29th  
Plymouth Weekly  
Club Meeting

## Club Leaders



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## Broadcaster August 22, 2025

By William Weber on Monday, August 25, 2025



**Call to Order** President **Candice Tower** called the meeting to order at 12.05 pm and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Chuck Lang** delivered the meditation and began with asking for continued guidance as we pursue our dedication to service to others in advancing world understanding and peace. He also urged us to never forget the horrors of the Holocaust and the efforts of the Ritchie Boys to bring an end to the war. He also reminded us of the talents

and gifts of Rotarians and how we can use those gifts to make the world a better place.

**Host Families** President **Candice** urged members or other interested families to consider hosting an exchange student in the upcoming year. So far **Denise King** and her husband **John** are the only host family. Please notify either **Denise or Eric Joy** whether you can either be a host family or know of someone who may be interested.

**Guests** Our speaker, **Jamie Miskowski**, was the only guest today. She was spared the indignity of listening to "Hello"

## Announcements

**Dog House Sign Up** Please check your emails from Eric Joy regarding the Dog House Sign up

**District Golf Outing** - September 8 at Lakes of Taylor. If you are interested go to the District website.

**August 29 meeting - THE STATE OF THE BARBIE** - This is a can't miss meeting full of nonsense from the esteemed BBQ committee.

**Birthdays** Today was **Bruce Baxter's** birthday. **Candice** led the group in a somewhat recognizable version of Happy Birthday.

**Program – June Kirchgatter** introduced our speaker, **Jamie Miskowski, Education Manager** at the **Zekelman Holocaust Center**. The Holocaust Center offers a series of Historical Narrative Special Topics. Our presentation today focuses on The Ritchie Boys, Jewish American Soldiers during WWII. Jamie explained the origin of The Ritchie Boys as an initiative the Army. The Army recognized that it needed German speaking soldiers who also understood the German Culture and who would be used for such things as interrogation of prisoners and counter-intelligence. Many of these

recruits were Jewish immigrants and were trained at Camp Ritchie in Maryland. Many of the Ritchie Boys landed in at Normandy, France, on D-Day, June 6, 1994. Following landing at Normandy, they were able to use their special training to gather valuable information and were able to feed this information to the allies. Some of the Ritchie Boys were used as translators and interrogators during the Nuremberg Trials. Today's program featured a number of Ritchie Boys including Guy Stern who also featured on 60 Minutes, Paul Fairbrook and Gunter Kosse.

This was a very moving presentation and I would encourage you to go to the [Plymouthrotary.org](http://Plymouthrotary.org) and access the meeting on the Facebook icon. Additional information is also available on Holocaust Center web site.

**.50/50 Jeff Stella**, after, once again, fumbling for his ticket, is now \$54 ahead of the game.

**2nd Chance** 2<sup>nd</sup> chance drawing, for a whopping \$20 went to Denise King

**Four Way Test President Candice led** in the recitation of the Four Way Test.

**Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 1:10

## Broadcaster August 15. 2025

By Paul J. Sincock on Wednesday, August 20, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Filling in at the Presidential Podium today was President Elect Preston Gee. He called upon Paul Sincock for today's meditation. Paul's thoughts were for good weather for the upcoming Chicken Sunday and a good-sized group of people for rack cleaning in the morning. Paul also had thoughts about Rotarians as leaders and the legacy that we create over time. We were reminded that great leaders intentionally write their legacy, through their action over time. The best legacy is not one that is fondly remembered, but one that is actively emulated.



SCHEDULE YOUR LUNCH: It is hard to guess how many people will be coming for lunch, so when you get the email to sign up for lunch, please respond. You also have the opportunity to order one of several salad offerings, if you don't like the lunch information.

UPCOMING: The 88.1 The Park Benefit Concert will be held at Chicane, featuring Canton Native and The Voice Finalist and Nashville Recording artist Grace West. The event will be on Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at Chicane at 885 Starkweather. All funds raised will help support the station's efforts to raise funds. Funds are going to be matched by the Rotary Club's contribution to the station as part of our 100-year anniversary.

MORE UPCOMING: On August 22<sup>nd</sup> we will have Jamie Wise tell us about the Ritchie Boys who were German – Jewish refugees who helped counter the Nazi war efforts during World War II.

BARBEQUE READ: On August 29<sup>th</sup> the BBQ Committee will get everyone pumped up for the Fall Festival and we will feature the traditional State of the Barbie! For new members this is a must attend event, to find out about the history and traditions of the BBQ.

LOOKING AHEAD TO A SEPTEMBER PROGRAM: Bob Ellis, the General Manager of WDIV-Detroit Channel 4, will be with us on September 26<sup>th</sup> and will share the station's plans for FourGrounds, the coffee shop/information station coming soon to the old Focal Point Photography Studio or for longer term residents of Plymouth, the old Heidi's flowers at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey.

ANOTHER PAUL HARRIS FELLOW: Past District Governor Paul Sincock congratulated Dr. Chuck Bares on once again becoming a Paul Harris Fellow. Chuck's family are Paul Harris Fellows as well. A Paul Harris Fellowship is named in honor of the founder of Rotary, and it represents a \$1,000 contribution to the Rotary International Foundation. We are thankful for Chuck's generosity over the years and again today.

PROGRAM REPORT: This week we heard from member Susan Spelker, and we found out what's new in scouting. We found out that the Boy Scouts are re-branding and they are doing business as Scouting America. We learned that scouting is best as a family activity, but that scouting is competing with travel sports and many other activities. We also learned about the Scouts flag retirement program for U.S. flags that have reached the end of their life cycle.

WINNERS OF THE WEEK: We had a 50/50 winner, but your "ace" reporter missed who collected the money. We did find out that James Gietzen was the lucky winner of \$120 in the second chance drawing.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: This from the Disney Institute Approach to Leadership Excellence. "When you build relationships based on trust, information flows to you. If you do not have trust, information does not flow at all."

WITH THAT HAVE A SUPER POSITIVE WEEK!

**Lunch ordering- Advance sign up is IMPORTANT!**

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Salad options available:

Maurice Salad

Cesar with or without chicken

Greek with or without chicken

Spinach with or without chicken

Mediterranean