



Tuesday, December 6, 2022



### 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 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 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 16<sup>th</sup>. 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:



**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**  
President



**Chris Porman**  
President-Elect



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Secretary



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Club Public Image Chair



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Dale F. Yagiela  
 iPast President



Marie A. Morrow  
 Club Executive Secretary

- **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

## Broadcaster November 18, 2022

By Kurt L Heise on Monday, November 21, 2022

### PLYMOUTH ROTARY BROADCASTER – NOVEMBER 18, 2022

By: **Kurt Heise** on Monday, November 21, 2022

**President Penny** called the meeting to order. It was big crowd today with at least 38 in attendance in person and likely a few more on zoom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the group, and yours truly delivered the meditation for the day. Lunch featured a breaded chicken cutlet with rice and salad.

Broadcaster Rep for today is **Kurt Heise** – my first time so bear with me!

Guests today included **Mike Moser**, guest of **Dave Willett**, **Ken Harrison**, husband of **Diane**, and **Trevor Justice** and **Margaret Harris**, guests of **Kasey Kohn**, and **Beth Stewart**, President of the AM Rotary Club.



**Margaret Harris**  
 Benefits Account Manager

Following lunch our guest speaker was **Margaret Harris** from Finlan Insurance based in Plymouth Township. Margaret provided a detailed update on the latest changes to Medicare that impact everyone turning 65. Margaret explained the differences between Medicare Part A, B, and D. (Apparently there is no 'Part C'). Medicare covers prescription drugs and 80 percent of hospital medical costs. The remaining 20 percent is covered through a "Medicare Supplement" which you must pay with your own insurance. Margaret's firm provides a variety of Medicare supplement plans, both HMO and PPO, some also including dental, vision and hearing supplements. Obviously, everyone needs to determine their own level of coverage desired and at what cost. What we do know is that Margaret and her team at Finlan can provide you with all the options. Call 734-453-6000

President Penny then discussed our upcoming Rotary calendar.

- **November 25- NO MEETING** this week due to Thanksgiving
- **December 1 from 5-8pm: District 6400 Holiday Party at Phoenix Mill** <https://rotary-district-6400.square.site/product/holiday-party/10?cs=true&cst=custom> Ugly sweaters are OK!



- **December 2: Public Service Awards** (be sure to RSVP for you and guests!)
- **December 8 @ 5pm: Pre-Glow Party** hosted by Paul and Traci Sincock at the Cultural Center. RSVP to Paul or Traci
- **December 8 @ 6 pm- Holiday Pops Concert with the Michigan Philharmonic** at the Penn Theater
- **December 9:** Holiday Fun and new members
- **December 16: Holiday meeting featuring the PCCS Choir and Orchestra.** This is a go! Transportation issues resolved! Please sign up for you and any guests you invite!
- **December 16 & 17: Salvation Army bell ringing** 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Busch's, and the two Kroger's at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road. Goal is to raise more money than Kiwanis – and Beth Stewart is also sharing her AM Rotary members for the cause!
- **December 23 & 30- NO Meetings Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Santa Claus is coming to town this Friday. Get to Rotary Park in Plymouth around 6:45 p.m. you and your family can meet the big guy himself. Get there early!

Birthdays this week were **Bill Weber** and **Jeff Stella**. Do they qualify for Medicare?

**Cam Miller** will be distributing Goodfellows Newspapers on December 3 at Main and Penniman as he's done for many years.

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by Diane Harrison for \$68, and Cam Miller won the Second Chance this week for \$60 – which he promptly donated to the Rotary Foundation for a matching donation as part of Rotary Foundation Month. Thanks, Cam!

**Until we meet again – HAPPY THANKSGIVING to everyone!**

## Broadcaster- Veterans Day 11/11/2022

By Timothy E. Joy on Monday, November 14, 2022

Broadcaster- Veterans Day Nov 11, 2022

**President Penny** called the meeting to order. It was a light crowd today and I hope our members were with a veteran on this day. **President Penny** reminded us that this Plymouth Rotary meeting is in honor of our clubs veterans, both those that are still with us and those that have passed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the assembled group.

**Mary Ann Wood** provided our meditation this week. **Mary Ann** plugged the Tree Lighting and Kettle Kick Off tonight (11/11) In Kellogg Park. She asked that we offer gratitude for the blessing of living in our country. We are grateful



for life, breath, our country and community, and especially our friends and family. Always SEE our veterans and thank them for their service- offer them your respect and honor.

Broadcaster rep is **Tim Joy**.

Guests today are **Landon McDowel**, family friend of **John Buzuvis**. Landon attends Schoolcraft and will transfer to Ferris State, majoring in business. **Eric Joy** introduced

Airforce Chief Master Sargent **Eric Scott**, today's speaker. Eric is also a Lieutenant Colonel in the Civil Air Patrol- the civilian branch of the Air Force.

Our veterans and guests lead the club to a lunch of meat loaf and mashed potatoes.

President Penny called the meeting back to order- and speaking of orders, she pointed out the order forms on the table for Logo'd polo/golf shirts with our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo on them and Rotarian at Work tee shirts that are available for purchase. See **Paul Sincok**.

**Eric Joy** introduced our speaker for Veterans Day- Air Force Chief Master Sargent **Eric Scott**. Eric S is stationed at Battle Creek and serves at the 217<sup>th</sup> Air Intelligence Squadron of the 110<sup>th</sup> Wing. Eric S also is the Civil Air Patrol Region Chief of Staff. In high school, he joined the CAP as a cadet in 1987. In 1989, he joined the Air Force. His military bio is lengthy and impressive. His family has served our country- grandpa in WWII, Dad in Vietnam, and Eric S served in Iraq twice.

Eric stated that 22-23% of the 550,000 men and women Michigan Vets do not take advantage of the benefits that are available to them. He pointed out that the Michigan Veteran Affairs Agency is an underutilized resource for Veterans. He recommended that the Vets call them or search their website for available benefits. 1-800-642-4838 or Michigan.gov/mvaa

He recommended that any WWII veterans or their families research whether a Combat Infantry Badge was earned. That automatically earns an infantryman the Bronze Star medal from the Army.

Returning Vets also have a dark side. 22 Vets commit suicide daily. That is preventable if the vet takes advantage of the benefits available thru the VA & the Michigan Vet Affairs agency. Eric reminded us that "Homecoming is a process, not an Event".

Asked about the Civil Air Patrol- Civil Air Patrol began Dec 1, 1941 and was necessary to patrol our coastlines for enemy submarines while our military focused on the war itself. Its mission has morphed to include forest fire prevention and inland search and rescue. If you want to learn more, please talk to CAP Lieutenant **Eric Joy**.

The Rotary Foundation month is November. Our Foundation will match \$ for \$ your contribution to TRF thru Nov 30. Up to \$250. It's not about the money, **it's about what the money can do!**

PCCS Holiday Concert our annual event has hit a snag. \$2000 is needed for transportation of the students. Donations are needed. Please help!

Upcoming Events- Nov 18- Navigating Medicare, Margaret Harris. November 25- No Meeting- Thanksgiving. Please enjoy your family/friend. December 2- Public Service Awards December 9- Fellowship meeting. December 16- Holiday Concert, hopefully December 23- No meeting

Sadly, I never heard who won the 50/50. Last chance to **Eric Lloyd** but he wasn't present.

The meeting ended with a video tribute to our Clubs' Veterans. Lee Greenwood accompanied the video and concluded with Taps.

I'm humbled.....

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## Broadcaster November 4, 2022

By William Weber on Friday, November 4, 2022

**Broadcaster November 4, 2022**  
**Call to order**

While **President Penny** was in Florida surveying the damages done to the Joy Florida household, **President elect Chris Porman** was called upon to conduct today's meeting. At precisely 12:12pm Chris called the meeting to order and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **June Kirchgatter** did the meditation and quoted from the Innovators Prayer which spoke to great ideas, creativity and innovation. These innovative attributes addressed in the prayer provided a great lead into today's program.



#### **Introduction of Guests**

There were two guests at today's meeting but due to background noise from the Rowdy table as well as technical difficulties the scribe was unable to correctly identify the guests. My sincerest apologies.

#### **Birthdays**

**Bill Weber, Jeff Stella, Mike Richardson, Frank Agostini and David Batts** are all celebrating birthdays this month.

#### **Anniversaries**

- Paul Sincock – 41 year
- Bill Ventola – 34 years
- Dale Knab – 42 years
- Marie Morrow – 33 years
- Tim Joy – 27 years
- Cam Miller – 27 years
- Scott LaRiche – 26 years
- Kent Early – 17 years
- John Buzuvis – 13 years
- Kurt Heise – 13 years
- Don Soenen – 7 years
- James Gietzen – 6 years
- Mary Ann Wood – 1 year
- Jon Solace – 1 year
- Linda Darga -1 year
- Carolyn Butler – 1 year

#### **Special Announcements**

By all indications the Witches Night Out event was a smashing success. The Club's Poet Laureate, **Herman Theeke** wrote a poem to commemorate the event and read at today's meeting. Great job Herm. A video of the Witches Night Out event was shown during lunch. The video captured several cameo appearances of Rotary volunteers.

**November is *The Rotary Foundation* month!!** A donation made to The Rotary Foundation will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$250 by the Plymouth Rotary Foundation. Donate online; give Marie a check; or there is a donate button on our Club's website.

Veteran's Day 2022 Following is a message from **PDG Ed Schulz** regarding Veteran's Day:

"As we approach Veteran's Day, please remember those who are serving and those that served our country!

As a Veteran, the VA hospital in Ann Arbor as with all VA hospitals provides excellent medical services – (in Ann Arbor all are doctors from U of M (Michigan Medicine). I have had the opportunity to use the Ann Arbor VA hospital and others in the US for the past 24 years, with excellent services.

I would encourage Rotarians and others that may know of a veteran to encourage them to sign up for their VA benefits at the VA hospital – unfortunately it's not automatic. They need to bring their discharge form DD214 (of course, restrictions may apply))

Again, thank you to all that have served and are currently serving and to everyone who supports them! "

Ukraine Relief – **June Kirchgatter** spoke about the Ukraine Relief efforts and provided a handout on how to do donate. Which is shown below.



# UKRAINE RELIEF

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**Plymouth Rotary Foundation**  
P.O. Box 5401, Plymouth, MI 48170  
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## Program

**June Kirchgatter** introduced today's speaker, **Douglas Willet**. As Doug is a relatively new member this presentation had a dual purpose. The first part of his presentation included a brief walk through of his life beginning with elementary, middle, high school and college, how he met his wife, family life and jobs that he has held in the past.

Part two of Doug's presentation focused on his current work Luna Tech 3D which is a digital marketing company that uses visual tech to create engaging and immersive environments which helps businesses to tell their story. Doug showed us actual images from Wiltse pharmacy, Sardine Room, Compari's and Fiamma. These virtual tours were able to take us a room by room tour as well as telling the history of the spaces currently being occupied. Doug is also working with the Historical Society to develop a virtual history of Plymouth. Doug then explained his thoughts on creating a Virtual Rotary Room. This was a most fascinating presentation and I am sure I haven't done justice in attempting to explain all that Doug is doing.

## Auction

A Rotary scarf and tie were made available for auction. Rotary auctioneer, **Cam Miller** was charged with trying to lighten the wallets/purses of members while auctioning these items. The scarf was purchased by **Dave Willett** for \$65. The tie was purchased virtually by **PDG Ed Schulz** for \$100.

**50-50** The 50-50 was won by Kurt Heise.

**Weekly Drawing** – The weekly drawing went unclaimed so the value next week will be \$40/  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:15