

Rotary

Club of Plymouth



IMAGINE
ROTARY

Plymouth

Meets at Plymouth Cultural Ctr.

525 Farmer Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

Time: Friday at 12:00 PM



Events

June 9th
[Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting](#)

June 13th
[Plymouth Club Board Meeting](#)

June 16th
[Plymouth Club Picnic](#)
Speaker:
Club Picnic

June 16th
[Music in the Air](#)

June 20th
[Plymouth Foundation meeting](#)

June 23rd
[Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting- Changing of the Guard!](#)
Speaker:
Changing of the Guard
Subject:
New

Broadcaster June 2, 2023

By Kurt L Heise on Monday, June 5, 2023



Call to Order:

Officers
Induction

June 27th June 30th
Meet the Music in
Governor- the Air
Our own

Russ
Jones

Speaker:
Russ
Jones

Subject:
Our Club
needs a
strong
showing of
members
to support
Russ! You
MUST
have
passport
or
enhanced
drivers
license to
enter
Canada!
Cost
\$45.00 US
\$55.00 CN

Eric Joy called the meeting to order. It was a big crowd today with at least 40 in attendance due to the presentations of the Memorial Scholarships.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the group, and **Your Scribe** delivered the meditation for the day which featured a tribute to our fallen service members in honor of Memorial Day.

Lunch featured meat loaf and mashed potatoes.

Introduction of Guests:

There were nearly 20 guests today representing the students and parents of the scholarship recipients.

Special Presentation:

Todd Raska was formally inducted into the Club by **Eric Joy** and Todd's sponsor, **Doug Willett**. **Todd** is the Director of Operations for the new EZ Storage facility in Plymouth Township. **Congratulations Todd** and welcome to the Plymouth Rotary!

Upcoming Events:

- **Music in the Air** needs volunteers to staff the Rotary tent. Concerts will be at Kellogg Park starting at 7 p.m.
- **June 9** - the Foundation Report and farewell to our Exchange Student, Juan.
- **June 12** – Foundation Board ballots due by Noon.
- **June 16** – Pre-concert Picnic at Rotary Park, 5 p.m.
- **June 27** – Plymouth Rotary Club changing of the guard.
- **June 27** – Meet the Governor in Amherstberg at 7 p.m. RSVP by June 9. A bus will be leaving at 4 p.m. that day.
- **June 30** – NO MEETING (4th of July Holiday)
- **July 7** – NO MEETING (Rotary Parking Cars for Art in the Park)
- **July 14** – Welcome new Plymouth Rotary President **CHRIS PORMAN**
- **August 3** – Kiwanis Golf Outing (we're invited!) See Eric Joy for details

Special Program:

Bill Weber, Chair of the Memorial Scholarship Committee, introduced the 9 scholarship recipients, representing Seniors from the three Plymouth-Canton high schools, Plymouth Christian Academy, and homeschoolers. Student recipients were awarded scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$12,000 and were selected by the Scholarship Committee based on traits like the 4-way test, leadership, service projects, academic excellence, life experiences, athletics, music, and outside employment to name a few. Students were very grateful to receive these scholarship awards as they enroll in various universities in Michigan and around the country.

50/50

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by **Warren Musson**.

Andy Savage would have won the Second Chance for \$100 but he was not at the meeting.

Until we meet again –

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By Chris Porman on Wednesday, May 24, 2023

President Penny Joy rang the Rotary Bell at 12:05 to welcome us to our club meeting where we honor our Rotary 4-Way Test Essay Winners.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, **President-Elect Porman** provided the meditation with words by **Shel Silverstein**:

The Voice

There is a **voice** inside of you
that whispers all day **long**,
'I **feel** that this is right for me,
I know that this is **wrong**.'
No **teacher**, preacher, **parent**, **friend**
or **wise** man can **decide**
what's right for you - just **listen** to
the voice that speaks inside.



Lunch today was salad and pasta; always a crowd favorite.

Following lunch, **President Penny** explained to our guests and students what Rotary is and what it is we do. She explained the history of the organization and why we do what we do.

The program today was the 4-Way Test Essay Contest. This committee is Co-Chaired by **Bruce Baxter and Carol Souchock**, with many thanks for all the readers.

Bruce introduced Superintendent of Plymouth Canton Community Schools, **Dr. Monica Merritt**, who continued the theme of student voices. She also spoke about the opportunities PCCS has to offer and how our students are our next leaders in the community.

Bruce returned to the podium and explained to the group what the 4-Way Test was and how it is the model for how Rotarians navigate life. He went on to talk about the contest and how many participants. Bruce thanked all the essay readers for their help, as well as the principals and families for their support. A pamphlet explaining the history of the Four Way Test was given to all in attendance. Thanks Penny!

4-Way Test Essay Contest Winners

West Middle School 1st Place 2nd Place

6th Grade Lilly Kiolbasa Owen Rdipath

7th Grade Isla Avery Jones Nick Hayes

8th Grade Eric Early Tyler Tellez

Liberty Middle School 1st Place 2nd Place

6th Grade Keira Penney Maddilyn Tindall

7th Grade Katelyn Ealorega Alaina Patel

8th Grade Lisa Bhuiyan None

Virtual Academy 1st Place 2nd Place

6th Grade Aarti Pradham Evelyn Lorena Duceac

7th Grade Liam Velk Adien Mical

8th Grade Zahraa Albu-ali Enxi Lin

Discovery Middle School 1st Place 2nd Place

6th Grade Abrianna Wroblewski Sofia Teraguchi

7th Grade Madison Kazensky Kayla Konwerski

8th Grade Aliana Lara-Valerio Elvin Cao

President Penny shared that in each bag given to the award winners, there was a 4-Way Test coin for them to carry to remind them of it and to use it to help make good, educated decisions throughout their lives.

Announcements

Last weekend, the USPS/Salvation Army Food Drive collected over 30,000 lbs of food for those in need.

Music in the Air begins this Friday, May 26th. Join fellow Rotarians under and near our tent for camaraderie and great music each Friday this summer. A sign up sheet is being passed at each club meeting!

Main Street Flower planting is tomorrow Saturday 20 @ 8:30 am. Come enjoy coffee, donuts and good conversations while we work together!

Sign up for Meet the Governor Night for our very own, **Russ Jones** is still ongoing. Please let **President Penny** know if you are going and if you want to ride the bus. The more we get to go, the bigger the bus and the less the cost.

Sam Kennedy, Assistant Governor, came up and talked about District Conference for next year, which will be held in Grand Rapids. Sam also spoke about Rotary Clubs reaching out and helping each other on their service projects.

Closing

50/50 was won by **Doug Willett**- he donated it to the Foundation! And 2nd Chance would've gone to **Craig D'Agostini**.

Yours in Service
Chris Porman
Broadcaster Rep.

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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