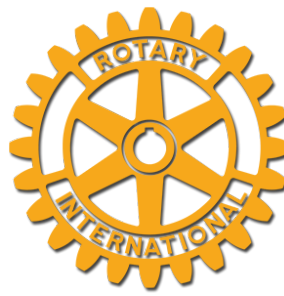


# Rotary Club of Plymouth



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## Plymouth

Meets at Plymouth Cultural Ctr.

525 Farmer Street  
Plymouth, MI 48170

Time: Friday at 12:00 PM



### Events

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| March 10th<br><a href="#">Plymouth<br/>Weekly<br/>Club<br/>Meeting</a><br><b>Speaker:</b><br>Erin<br>Dewsbury<br>Ribeiro<br><b>Subject:</b><br>Diversity,<br>Equity,<br>Inclusion | March 14th<br><a href="#">Plymouth<br/>Club Board<br/>Meeting</a><br><b>Speaker:</b><br>March Club<br>Board<br>Meeting           |
| March 17th<br><a href="#">Plymouth<br/>Weekly<br/>Club<br/>Meeting</a><br><b>Speaker:</b><br>Club<br>Assembly<br>& New<br>Member<br>Induction-                                    | March 21st<br><a href="#">Plymouth<br/>Foundation<br/>Board<br/>Meeting</a><br><b>Speaker:</b><br>March<br>Foundation<br>meeting |
| <b>Subject:</b><br>Happy St<br>Patricks<br>Day!   | March 24th   |
| March 31st  |  |

## Broadcaster March 3, 2023

By William Weber on Saturday, March 4, 2023

# Friends of the ROUGE

**Call to Order** Past President **Eric Joy**, was corralled into action by a family member who is in Florida trying to work through the myriad intricacies of hurricane insurance coverage, called the meeting to order at precisely 12:05 pm and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kurt Heise** did the meditation and dug deep into the world of poetry for today's inspiration.

### Introduction of Guests

Future Rotarian, **Kyle Keaffaber** was in attendance. Also visiting from the Livonia noon Rotary Club was Todd J.

### Special Announcements

Upcoming Board of Directors election.: There are three positions available on the Rotary Board of

**Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting Speaker:** Lori Kitchen-Buschel  
**Subject:** PEACEFUL FAMILIES  
**Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting Speaker:** Stacie Diefenbach  
**Subject:** Miracle League Plymouth

Directors. There are six candidates for these positions as follows: **James Gietzen (Incumbent), Preston Gee, Diane Harrison, Dan Hordov, Don Soenen, Doug Willett**. Ballots have been mailed and should arrive shortly.

Individuals proposed for membership are as follows: **Robyn Hyde, Al Blixit, Kyle Keaffaber, and Bryce Blinski**. Induction is scheduled for March 17.

### Coming Events

March 15, 2023 Rotary Foundation Meeting will be held at Christensen's Admin Building 6141 Gotfredson at 5:00pm.

April 18, 2023, Red Cross Blood Drive from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Cultural Center

May 5-7 Imagine Collaboration District Conference at Ceasars Windsor.

May 22, 2023 Annual Golf Outing

### Exchange Student

Request from Denise King regarding exchange student Juan Gonzales from Columbia  
"Juan is a very respectful and engaging individual. He has some very passionate interests that he would enjoy experiencing during his stay in the United States. History, art, hunting, archery, fishing, nature hikes and veterinary science are his passions and interests. He would enjoy the opportunity to have some experiences in the areas listed below.

If you are able, he would be extremely grateful and your experience with Juan will be just as rewarding.

Here are some examples of experiences that Juan would welcome and appreciate:

1. Hiking and exploring parks
2. Visiting the Detroit Institute of Art Museum
3. Visiting the Detroit Science Museum
4. Visiting the MSU Campus of Veterinarian Medicine
5. Visiting the Henry Ford Museum
6. Archery shooting—he's a very avid shooter
7. A golfing experience (never golfed)
8. A hunting adventure
9. Fishing experience—Juan loves to fish
10. Visit to the Michigan State Capital
11. Horseback riding
12. Shopping

Please let me know if you are interested in sharing some time with Juan or you can call him directly at 586 248 2490

Thanks to **Chuck Lang** for his generous birthday contribution to the Foundation.

### Program

Friends of the Rouge

**Don Soenen** introduced The Friends of the Rouge Executive Director, **Marie McCormick**. Marie provided us with detailed information as well as current and planned initiatives to help to grow a healthier Rouge River. Marie emphasized the importance of being all inclusive regarding gathering input from all the communities and community members in the Rouge Watershed. Marie provided information of the many Restoration Programs and the impact they have had on the watershed. It should be noted that our own Rotary Club donated \$10,000 towards the Rain Gardens in the PARC parking lot. **Don Soenen** was able to secure an additional \$400,000 to assist with this project. On numerous occasions staff members and volunteers help to monitor the stream conditions by doing bug hunts, frog and toad surveys, fish monitoring and stonefly research. Some interesting facts about the Rouge Watershed are that it encompasses 467 square miles in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties. There are four major branches with 126 river miles. There are approximately 1.35-1.5 million people living in the watershed area. This was a most interesting presentation and I would encourage Rotarians to go to [plymouthrotary.org](http://plymouthrotary.org) and click on the face book icon and watch Marie's presentation in its entirety.

**50-50** The 50-50 was won **Dave Batts**

**Weekly Drawing** The winner this week was **Candice Tower**.

## Four Way Test

The meeting was concluded with the recitation of the Four Way Test.  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:15

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

**Respond** to the weekly email or Email [Marie.morrow@pcuw.org](mailto:Marie.morrow@pcuw.org) or Call Marie - 734- 453-6879  
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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

## Club Leaders



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President



[Chris Porman](#)  
President-Elect



[James Gietzen](#)  
Secretary



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