

Monday, May 13, 2024



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Club Leaders



[Chris Porman](#)
President



[James Gietzen](#)
President-Elect



[Candice Towers](#)
Secretary



[James Van Horn III](#)
Treasurer



[Charles J. Bares](#)
Rotary Foundation Chair



[June Kirchgatter](#)
Membership Chair

Broadcaster May 10, 2024

By Paul J. Sincock



CALL TO ORDER: This past Friday the club met at Salem High School's Presentation Room for a special meeting of the club. President Chris Porman called the meeting to order at the appointed hour and he asked Bill Keith, the Station Manager of 88 1, the Park, WSDP to welcome us to Salem High School and to the Radio Station located in the high school complex.

President Chris invited member Chuck Lang forward to provide our meditation moment for the day. Chuck's thoughts were of the 100th Anniversary of service provided by our club. He also gave thanks for our financial successes of our club, which allows us to continue to support education projects in our community. We are truly grateful!

NEWEST ROTARIAN: President Chris had the club welcome our newest member Mark Waller to the club.

BIRTHDAY: We celebrated James Van Horn's birthday as it occurred at today's meeting. No cake, but we had cookies. ??

LOOKING FOR A LITTLE HELP: Watch for an email from Chris Porman about the annual mail carriers Salvation Army food drive this weekend. The Salvation Army will need some help to sort all of the food and place in their pantry on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

THANKS: The annual seedling delivery has all of the drivers/delivery people signed up to deliver seedlings to all of the elementary schools in the District. The delivery will take place on Friday, May 17th. Thanks for all of your help and early sign ups.

FLOWER PLANTING: Coming up on Saturday, May 18th is the annual flower planting on the Main Street Island and at Rotary Park. Start time is 8:30 a.m. and coffee and donuts will be on hand to help get everyone going. Remember many hands help make...



Denise King
Youth
Exchange
Chair



Penny Joy
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Executive
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quick work. Everyone who is available should plan on attending and bring your family members and neighbors to help out.

GOLF OUTING: The annual Plymouth Rotary Golf Outing is all sold out and is set to go on Monday, May 20th. Chuck Lang is still looking for about six or seven volunteers to help out on the day of. Contact Chuck if you can help out.

THERE'S A PARADE: Plymouth is always known for hosting a wonderful 4th of July parade and this year it will be co-hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth AND the Rotary Club of Plymouth. We need lots of volunteers for this event to help out with pre-parade line up and parade marshalling along the route. We have to make sure that participants "mind the gap" between parade units and to keep the parade tight. Please let James Gietzen know if you can help on the parade morning.

ALSO COMING UP: We have Art in the Park parking detail. This is a major fund raiser for the club, and this will need to be an "all hands-on deck" for the weekend of July 12, 13 & 14. More news on this program soon.

CELEBRATE: It is time to celebrate our 100th Anniversary of Service to the Community. On Saturday, July 20th our club will celebrate at a Gala Event at the Mayflower Grand Ballroom. A lot of plans are being put into place. Members should have received a postcard with details on the event and ticket information. If you have not received the informational post card, please let President Chris or President Elect James know and they will get you set with the information.

PROGRAM REPORT: The Rotary Club of Plymouth has made a legacy commitment to fund \$200,000 of nearly a half million-dollar project to create new interview studios at WSDP, the high school radio station. The station has been named Michigan Association of Broadcasters Station of the Year several years in a row. In addition, they have been nominated for the National Association of Broadcasters College and High School Station of the Year for several years as well. Station Manager Bill Keith indicated that the impact would allow them to more than double the student capacity and double their news reporting, plus add a video component to future story building. We also heard from some of the student leaders, who thanked the club members for their commitment to future generations of students.

Assistant Station Manager John Krueger talked about how Rotary first impacted his life many years ago when he first was a student at the high school complex. Rotary provided him an electric scooter to accommodate his handicap to allow him to travel between the multiple school buildings on campus. He also told us how the Rotary Four Way Test is used at WSDP to "test" news stories. John assured the club that today's contribution will ensure that the commitment to excellence will continue at the station for many more years.

School Superintendent Dr. Monica Merrit thanked the club for taking the time to meet the incredible students of PCCS and the radio station. She talked about how a small think tank of Rotarians from two years ago, grew this idea into the plans that we see before us today. She indicated that the school system is committed to this project and is looking forward to bringing this project to completion and having us all back in the future to celebrate the commitment of Rotary to our students.

The meeting ended with a live on-air interview with President Chris Porman, President Elect James Gietzen, Plymouth Rotary Foundation President Warren Mussen, and WSDP Alumni Paul Sincock. The group got to talk about service activities of Rotary and Rotary's commitment to the community and service above self.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: This seems appropriate based on today's program and the ability of radio to tell a story. Walt Disney once said; "Since the beginning of mankind, the story tellers have not only given us entertainment, but a kind of wisdom, humor, and understanding of the world around us."

WITH THAT HAVE A SUPER POSITIVE WEEK AND BE SURE TO CHECK OUT WSDP 88.1 the Park.

Broadcaster May 3, 2024

By John Buzuvis on Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Opening

President Nominee Candice Towers started the program with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary Ann Wood offered a meditation reminding us that April showers bring May Flowers!

Guests

President Nominee Candice introduced our guests: Mark Waller who is a potential member and works for Ford Motor Company and Noa our clubs exchange student.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

President Nominee Candice gave the club an update on upcoming club events to include information about the Meeting to be held on May 10, 2024, at Salem High School for the WSDP fundraising kick-off. Lunch will be provided by the Culinary Arts Program at Salem High School and the fundraising campaign, along with Rotary's grant, will be announced live on air on WSDP as part of the meeting.

Delivery Drivers are needed on May 17th to deliver the elementary school seedlings sponsored by the club. (Please note all delivery slots are filled!)

Golf Outing: Is sold out and will take place on May 20, 2024. Golf Chair, Sandy Mily, said volunteers and prize donations are still needed.

President Nominee Candice informed the club that Norm Weast's wife, Gayle, passed away and the funeral would be at Vermueulen-Sajewski Funeral home in Plymouth on Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 2pm - 5pm. A funeral service would be held on Sunday, May 5, 2024, at 11 am.

Program

Member Moments: **Preston Gee and Dan Hordov**

Preston Gee

Preston graduated from CMU with a degree in personal financial planning and corporate finance. Preston became a Certified Financial Planner at the age of twenty-three and enjoys being active in the Rotary Club and looks forward to continued service.

Dan Hodov

Dan graduated from Penn State University with a degree in international business. Dan moved from California to Michigan in 2016 when he joined Kennedy Neimier Insurance and Dan joined Rotary in 2019. He is the current Club Liaison to the Interact Club at PCEP and enjoys working, volunteering, and giving back to the community.

Fifty-Fifty

June Kirchgatter won the fifty-fifty and second change would have gone to Ron Shmyr if he were present and bought a ticket.

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