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Club Leaders



James Gietzen
President



Candice Towers
President-Elect



Daniel Amos
Treasurer



Preston Gee
President-Nominee
Membership Chair



Nancy Ann Baldwin
Rotary Foundation Chair



Denise King
Youth Exchange Chair



Chris Porman
iPast President



Marie A. Morrow
Club Executive Secretary



Call to Order President James Gietzen called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kurt Heise** delivered the meditation and his theme for the day was the importance of education both today and into the future. He also elaborated on how fortunate we are to be part of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools. His remarks were certainly appropriate as today's meeting was to recognize the winners of the "Four Way Test."

President James informed the students and their guests today about the numerous opportunities and benefits both for students and guests to become involved in Rotary such as becoming a member of Interact, our club and/or volunteering for Rotary projects and initiatives.

Host Families President **James** urged members or other interested families to consider hosting an exchange student in the upcoming year. At this point three families are still needed.

Guests Today's numerous guests included the "Four Way Tests" award winners, parents and teachers.

Rotary Volunteers of the Year President **James** presented signed State of Michigan proclamations recognizing **Deborah Sivic** and **Kirk Sivic** as the Rotary Volunteers of the Year. In the short time they have been in the club, they certainly have had a positive impact. A huge thank you to you both!

Cultural Center Flower Garden **Debbie Sivic** announced the plans to "bring to life" the Cultural Center Flower Garden. She spoke of the need for volunteers and any monetary donations as well.

June 6, 2025 Memorial Scholarship recipients will be presented.

June 13, 2025 The Rotary Foundation Board president, **John Buzuvis** will provide a recap of their activities over the past year.

June 20, 2025 Wounded Warrior presentation

June 27, 2025 This is a must attend for all of us as we honor President **James** for his success and welcome President Elect **Candice** to her new role as Club President.

July 4, 2025 No meeting but the 4th of July Parade needs volunteers!

July 11, 2025 No meeting as we will all be volunteering to park cars during Art in the Park

July 18, 2025 President **Candice** kicks off the new Club year and all are encourage to wear their **Rotary gear for Swag Day**.

July 25, 2025 **Stephanie Jones** will inform us how fellow Club member **Alex Kamer** helped lead the Michigan Surrogacy Advocacy initiative in Lansing.

Birthdays Those celebrating birthday's this month include the following: **Al Blixit, Melissa Daub, Dave Willett, Diane Harrison, Art Gulick, James Van Horn, Ken Jenkins, Drake Fillipis, Michael Howell, Keri Simmerer and Mathew Wilson**. Once again, a rather feeble attempt to sing Happy Birthday was foisted upon all of our guests.

RI Foundation This is just a reminder that the Club will match up to \$500 for any contribution to The Rotary Foundation. This Paul Harris contribution recognizes and acknowledges individuals who contribute or have made contributions in the name of others.

Program Four Way Test Awards **Carol Souchock** and **Bruce Baxter** introduced today's program. **Carol** began by recognizing the pioneering efforts of Dave Campbell and Carol Saunders in establishing the "Four Way Test" awards program of Middle School students. **Dr. Monica Merritt** also welcomed students and parents and emphasized the role Rotary plays in the community and the role that the district plays both with students and the community. She concluded her comments by stressing the importance of the Four Way Test and that it is truly timeless. Bruce gave a brief summary of current Rotary initiatives, including our support of The Miracle League of Plymouth, Rotary Park, and our support of the PCEP Radio Station 88.1.

Cooper Jones, 6th grader at West Middle School and **Saanvi Yadau**, 8th grader from Liberty Middle school were selected to read their essays and they both did an outstanding job.

Essay Contest winners are as follows:

Pioneer Middle School First Prize Second Prize

6th grade **Stella Vaughan Grace Boyd**
 7th grade **Aayan Patel** none

Discovery Middle School

6th grade **Jayde Stallworth Violet Daul**
 8th grade **Abrianna Wroblewski Sofia Teraguchi**

Liberty Middle School

6th grade **Olivia Mattson Emersyn McClure**
 8th grade **Myah Sands Saanvi Yadau**
West Middle School
 6th grade **Cooper Jones Alessandra Mautone**
 7th grade **Alessandra Tan Norah Harrison**
 8th grade **Sydney Pilarski Easton Wheeler**

50/50 Today's raffle was won by **Isabella Murphy-Morrow**

2nd Chance – **Hunter Hall**, had he been in attendance would've won a dollar or two. Sorry **Hunter**.

Four Way Test – President **James** led Rotarians and guests in the recitation of the 4 Way Test.

Broadcaster May 16, 2025

By Paul J. Sincok

CALL TO ORDER: **President James** called the meeting to order at the appointed hour and asked **Paul Sincok** to provide today's meditation. His thoughts were of Rotary service to the local and global communities. Being thankful for the renewal of spring and the flower planting project on Saturday and Golf outing on Monday.

GUESTS: We were introduced to several guests who were on hand. We welcomed **Martin Loehr**, our exchange student. Chamber President **Wes Graff, Barb Jones, and Monica Batts**.

NEED HELP: The club is desperate to find a host family for our new exchange student a young man from Sweden, who is into a number of sports, loves vinyl classic albums. He is currently 17 years old, and his future plans include being either an architect or film director. He is really looking forward to his first ever Thanksgiving and trying new sports and activities. Now is the time to ask your neighbors, ask around at your church or other group or social circle. The club has been involved in Youth Exchange for over 25 years, and we have made a difference around the world. Contact **Denise King or Eric Joy** for more information.

PLYMOUTH FOUNDATION ELECTION: **Bruce Baxter** announced that there will be a Rotary Foundation Election and there are a total of three open positions, and the nominating committee has put forth the following group of names.

- FOR THE THREE-YEAR TERM (2 positions open)
 - Warren Musson – Incumbent (eligible to serve a second term)
 - Jeff Stella
 - Paul Sincok
 - Drake Fillippis
 - Kyle Kiefaber
 - C J Lang
- FOR THE ONE YEAR TERM (one position open)
 - Mike Moser
 - Todd Raske

Voting will be completed by electronic vote and ballot information will be sent to your email soon. The Foundation will provide their annual report at the June 13th meeting.

WELCOME: **President James** inducted our newest member, **Adam Hayes**. He was pinned by **Doug Willett**.

UPCOMING: The 4th of July Parade Committee needs your help. Please plan on helping out for a couple of hours on the morning of July 4th for this great community event. A sign up is expected to be sent out soon. This is a great opportunity to show the community a good time and to celebrate America. Plan on spending the morning in Rotary service.

PROGRAM REPORT: This past Friday we had a very interesting program from **Tim and Penny Joy**, and it was all about their Rotary trip to Ghana, with the purpose of installing 10 water wells and the Days for Girls project, which included health classes covering a wide range of health-related issues. The girls were extremely appreciative of the kits and classes which allowed them to stay in school. We also learned that Tim should now be referred to as Chief Pepekorm as he was selected to be Chief of one of the ten villages. We saw Tim's inauguration as Chief, and we got to see his official Chief's outfit. Available for viewing on Facebook- Rotary Club of Plymouth!

Tim and Penny are planning on going back in October on another Rotary Mission and maybe even again in January. This was really a great program, and it held everyone's interest to see the connection and good that Rotary is doing around the world.

WINNER OF THE WEEK: Taking home the 50/50 winnings was **Bruce Baxter**. The Second Chance winner could have been **Rich Eisiminger**, but he was not at the meeting.

FROM THE CLUB HISTORY FILES: Did you know that in 1962 the Rotary Chicken Bar-be-que served a record-breaking total of 5,270 meals. Meals were served on paper plates and cafeteria trays, which all had to be cleaned between uses.

WITH THAT HAVE A SUPER POSITIVE WEEK!





Editors Note: Main Street flower planting occurred today (Saturday May 17th)!

The planting went very quickly- maybe 1 ½ hours! The coffee flowed, the donuts were yummy, the conversations were the best!

Forty people showed up and helped! Eric Joy was the organizer- and he was thrilled at the turnout!

Here is the list of those that helped!

Eric Joy
Nathan Joy
Tim Joy
Jeff Stella
John Buzuvis
Deb Sivic
Kirk Sivic
Jessica Sivic
Elaine Julien Price
Jim Hockenberry
Nick Moroz
Gary Stolz
Chris Porman
Bryce Porman
Denise King
John King
Ed Schulz
Dave Batts
Martin Loehr
Doug Willett
Sophia MacDonald
Cam Miller
Cheryl Loveday
Kent Early
Cheryl Early
Hunter Hall
June Kirchgater
Anna Hordov
Zach Hordov
Dave Williamson
Barry Simescu
Dorothy Simescu
Josh Morozowski & kids
Paul Sincock
Joyce Johnson
Bruce Baxter
James Gietzen & daughter
Antonio Nocera
Diane Harrison

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
Ceasar with or without chicken
Greek with or without chicken
Spinach with or without chicken
Mediterranean