

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

April 18th Red Cross Blood Drive-Plymouth Rotary
April 18th Plymouth Foundation meeting

April 21st Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Beth Meade
Subject: Community Foundation - Canton and Plymouth
April 28th Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: PCCS Bond Update
Subject: Monica Marritt

May 5th Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Erin Dewsbury Ribeiro
May 5th District 6400 Conference
Speaker: Mitch Alborn

Broadcaster April 14, 2023

By Paul J. Sincock on Saturday, April 15, 2023



CALL TO ORDER: A full house was on hand for our meeting on Friday and **President Penny**

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May 9th May 12th
Plymouth **Plymouth**
Club **Weekly**
Board **Club**
Meeting **Meeting**

Speaker:
New
Member
Induction
Subject:
Club
Assembly

called the group to order at the appointed hour. The moment of meditation was given by Paul Sincock as he reminded us of thanks for spring time, the tulips coming up on the Main Street Island and the future flower planting project.

MEET THE GOVERNOR: Our own **Russ Jones** is the new District Governor as of July 1st and the official welcoming ceremony will be held at a new location in Harrow, Ontario. The banner indicating that our club is the Home Club of the District Governor will be passed from the Northville Club to our club at this meeting. It would be great to have a good showing of members at this event to show support for **Russ**. President Penny is working on a bus to go to and from the event. Remember all you need to enter Canada now is a passport, NEXUS card, or a Passport Card for access to and from Canada.

FORMER MEMBER PASSED AWAY: A former member of our club recently passed away. **Gary L. Davis**, 80, passed away on April 8, 2023 in Canton, MI. He is survived by Carol, his wife of 57 years; his sons Mark Davis-Craig and Timothy (Eva) Davis; grandchildren Elizabeth and Robert Davis-Craig; and many other close family members. He was proud of his long career at Hewlett-Packard. In retirement, Gary and Carol continued to volunteer in and around the Plymouth community, their home of over fifty years. Gary was a member of the Plymouth Rotary, a volunteer with the Salvation Army, and he served on the Plymouth Township Civil Service Commission, as well as working as an election precinct captain for Plymouth Township. **A Celebration of Life Service will be held Saturday, April 22nd 11 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth, MI. The family will receive visitors at 10 AM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Plymouth Rotary Foundation, PO Box 5401, Plymouth MI 48170, or online at www.osvhub.com/plymouthrotary/giving/funds, or to the Plymouth Salvation Army, 9451 South Main Street, Plymouth MI 48170, or online at centralusa.salvationarmy.org/plymouth/who-we-are/.**

Cares and concerns- We have received word that Andrea Knab (Dale's wife) is experiencing serious health issues. Please keep Dale and Andrea in your thoughts and prayers.

YOUTH EXCHANGE UPDATE: **Denise King** is looking for host families for our new incoming Youth **Exchange Student from Belgium**, who will arrive in August. **Noa** is interested in a wide variety of sports activities, has a dog at home and comes from a family of four. Host families are able to share your home and culture with the student, who will attend Plymouth-Canton high school. The Exchange Student is here as part of the U.S. Government's Foreign Policy, in an effort to promote goodwill and understanding at the one on one level between our two countries. The exchange student should not be considered a guest in the host family's home. The exchange student should be a working part of the family and is expected to do chores, and actively participate in family activities. The student is also supported by the Rotary Club and its members, who help out as needed to pick the student up from school or activities, drive to sport events and take the student to events and activities. From personal experience, the hosting of exchange students has changed my life for the better. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please contact **Denise King**, our club chairperson at dkingply@gmail.com. You can also contact **Paul Sincock** at psincock@plymouthmi.gov for information and questions.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER: We want to welcome our newest member to Plymouth Rotary and Rotary International, **Melanie Ball**. She is the Assistant Director of the Plymouth District Library in downtown Plymouth. Please give her a welcome to our club.

ELECTION RESULTS: The recent Club Board of Directors election shows that **James Gietzen, Don Soenen and Diane Harrison** will be serving the club for the next three years. Thank you to all who ran.

NEED STUFF: The Plymouth Historical Museum is putting together a History of the Rotary Club of Plymouth and they are looking for "stuff." It can be any kind of stuff, from commemorative drink glasses, to napkins, to past copies of the Broadcasters, to Presidential gavels, plaques, photos, pins, booklets, programs, or anything else Rotary related. If you bring it to Rotary on Friday, we will arrange for you to loan it to the museum and they will get it back to you, or you can outright donate it to the museum.

UPCOMING: The Rotary Club is putting on a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 18th at the Plymouth Cultural Center. There are 10 slots for donating blood still available and we are

looking for volunteers for the event between 10:30 and 3:00. The volunteers will be greeting people as they come in to register and then chat with them while they are at the snack station. For more information contact Laura.Reiners@gwcares.org.

LOOKING FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS: **Mary Lu Stone** is looking for children's books to place in the Rotary Little Free Library at Rotary Park. If you have some children's books that your kids or grandkids are not using please bring the books to the meeting and Mary Lu will be happy to take them off your hands for the Little Free Library.

GOLF ANYONE: The Rotary Club of Plymouth annual Golf Outing is taking place on Monday, May 22nd. Volunteers are needed, golfers are needed and the Committee is looking for things to put in raffle baskets. That would include anything from gift cards, bottles of beverages, golf balls, etc. Contact **Sandy Mily** with any questions or your items.

MUSIC IN THE AIR: The Rotary Club is a prime sponsor of the Friday night concerts in Downtown Plymouth and **President Penny** is looking for an event chairperson to arrange for someone to put out the chairs, set up the table to promote Rotary, sell BBQ Tickets, and enjoy the concert. Basically, we just need someone at every concert to promote Rotary.

WINNERS OF THE WEEK: Taking home \$61 was **Jeanne Trumpy** from the check in table and **Brad Aldrich** could have won the 2nd chance drawing if he was at the meeting.

President Penny shared this at our meeting-

In Ancient Greece, **Socrates** had a great reputation of wisdom. One day, someone came to find the great philosopher and said to him:

- Do you know what I just heard about your friend?

- A moment, replied Socrates. Before you tell me, I would like to test you the three filters.

- The three filters?

- Yes, continued Socrates. Before telling anything about the others, it's good to take the time to filter what you mean. I call it the test of the three filters. The first filter is the TRUTH. Have you checked if what you're going to tell me is true?

- No, I just heard it.

- Very good! So, you don't know if it's true. We continue with the second filter, that of KINDNESS. What you want to tell me about my friend, is it good?

- Oh, no! On the contrary.

- So, questioned Socrates, you want to tell me bad things about him and you're not even sure they're true? Maybe you can still pass the test of the third filter, that of UTILITY. Is it useful that I know what you're going to tell me about this friend?

- No, really.

- So, concluded Socrates, what you were going to tell me is neither true, nor good, nor useful. Why, then, did you want to tell me this?

"Gossip is a bad thing. In the beginning it may seem enjoyable and fun, but in the end, it fills our hearts with bitterness and poisons us, too!" -

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: This is an interesting thought from Walt Disney. People would often ask Walt Disney if he was thinking about running for public office. Walt's response was simple and straightforward; "Why be a Governor or a Senator, when you can be king of Disneyland." ?? WITH THAT HAVE A SUPER POSITIVE WEEK!

Paul J. Sincock

Broadcaster March

By William Weber on Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Call to Order Past President

Eric Joy, who once again was corralled into action by a family member who is still trying to work through the myriad intricacies of hurricane insurance coverage and FEMA, called the meeting to order at



precisely 12:00 pm and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Mary Ann Wood**

did the meditation and urged everyone to follow the "Golden Rule" which also mirrors the Rotary "Four Way test."

Introduction of Guests

Don Soenen introduced today's speaker **Lori Kitchen-Buschel**, Executive Director of First Step, **Theresa Bizou**, Director of Philanthropy and Capital Projects at First Step, **Melissa Daub**, Wayne County Commissioner, and **Mia Odeh**, Author.

Special Announcements

Upcoming Board of Directors election.: There are three positions available on the Rotary Board of Directors. There are six candidates for these positions as follows: **James Gietzen (Incumbent)**, **Preston Gee**, **Diane Harrison**, **Dan Hordov**, **Don Soenen**, **Doug Willett**. If you haven't already done so, get your ballots returned this week.

Centennial Museum Project – This project is proceeding nicely but several items are still needed. Copies of the Broadcaster from the 60's, 70's, and 80's, any artifacts or photos that you may have hidden away. Also, past Presidents would you please provide the museum with your gavel (gavel will be returned at the end of the centennial display).

March 31, 2023 **Stacey Diefenbach**, Executive Director of Miracle League of Plymouth will be the speaker.

April 7, 2023. Good Friday – no meeting

April 14, 2023. Club assembly and induction of new members

April 18, 2023, Red Cross Blood Drive from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Cultural Center Donors and volunteers needed. Contact **Laura Reiners**.

May 5-7 Imagine Collaboration District Conference at Caesars' Windsor. Our club will help to offset the cost of this conference by \$250.

May 22, 2023 Annual Golf Outing Volunteers are needed for three hour shifts. If you can help out please contact **Sandy Mily, Chuck Lang or David Batts**.

Exchange student - The club will be sponsoring an exchange student from Belgium next year. If you are interested in hosting this student please contact Denise King.

Library at Rotary Park: **Mary Lu Stone** reports that we are in need for Children's books for our library at the Rotary Park

Program

First Step - **Don Soenen** introduced The First Step Executive Director, **Lori Kitchen-Buschel**. Lori began her presentation by thanking Rotary for our continued support, both financially and by providing "sweat equity" in helping to provide the park where program participants can find safe and comfortable surroundings during the time they are receiving services. First Step, whose 55 staff members provide free services to those impacted by Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The services provided include the following:

- 24 –hour helpline
- 24-hour on call assault response
- Emergency shelter for individuals, families and their pets
- Transitional support housing
- Counseling, advocacy and support groups for adults and children
- Support and educations for family and friends
- Safety planning
- Criminal Court advocacy
- Personal Protection Order assistance

- Community education and outreach programs
- In-service training on domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking
- Legal, financial, medical and housing information and referrals

As you can see from the above, the services provided by First Step are most extensive. Last year alone they touched the lives of just under 9000 individuals.

50-50 The 50-50 was won by **Dan Hordov**.

Weekly Drawing The winner this week would've been **Scott Lariche** had he been in attendance.

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 or Call Marie - 734- 453-6879 X 4

Salad options available:

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- Caesar with or without chicken
- Greek with or without chicken
- Spinach with or without chicken
- Mediterranean

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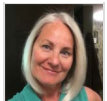
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