

Tuesday, April 9, 2024



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Club Executive Secretary

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By Kurt L Heise on Friday, April 5, 2024

Call to Order:

Past President Chris Porman called the meeting to order. Your scribe pulled double duty today with the Meditation, recognizing the glorious weather and Opening Day for our beloved Tigers.

Introduction of Guests:

Guests today included Traci Sincock, Alex Kramer, Julie and Chris Hartig, and Mark Whaler.

Birthdays:

Today was June Kirchgatter's birthday and the whole club sang a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday"

Announcements and Upcoming Events:

- **The Plymouth Rotary BBQ Book** is now available for \$15; several were bought at the luncheon.
- **April 10** " Rotary BBQ Presentation at the Historical Museum at 7 p.m.; doors open at 6.
- **April 27** " District Assembly, St. Clair College Windsor
- **Rotary 6400** District Conference at Amway Grand in Grand Rapids May 3-5. Register online at rotary6400.org.
- **Golf Outing** is May 20 at Fox Hills with a 9:30 a.m. shotgun start. Not a golfer? Volunteers are needed as well throughout the day. Contact Sandy Mily for details. They also need "gift cards, cash and booze" for the raffle items!
- **July 4** " Parade coordinated with Kiwanis. We need volunteers throughout the event!
- **July 20** " Plymouth Rotary 100-year gala at the Mayflower Meeting House (tickets are being mailed out now).

Special Program:

Today it was "New Member Moments" with Rotarians **Drake Filippis and Kyle Keaffaber.**

Drake Filippis was born in Royal Oak and is a fourth generation relative of the well-known Wright & Filippis company, which has built a well-earned reputation as a leader in prosthetics, orthotics, and accessibility solutions. Drake has been clearly motivated by his family's history and is one of the reasons he wanted to Join Rotary and give back to the community. He is a Purdue graduate and started working at Quicken Loans in Detroit in 2014 where he stayed for 10 years helping Dan Gilbert and his team develop what is now Rock Financial. Drake is now working for Signature Associates, a premier commercial Realtor which is well-known in Southeast Michigan and the Plymouth Community. His hobbies include track and field, skiing, biking, and boxing! Drake is highly motivated and will be a great addition to our

and being able to help, meet and talk to a great person on the Rotary team; he wants to get involved in projects and is committed to the club!

Kyle Keaffaber is an architect and lives in Plymouth Township. He is married with two kids aged 2 and 4. He is originally from Lagrange Indiana, where his family owns two acres of land including a historic schoolhouse and winery; Kyle helped rebuild the schoolhouse with his family (he has three grandparents) and put his architectural and building skills to work! Kyle graduated from Ball State University and got his master's degree from Clemson where he lived in the beautiful city of Charleston, South Carolina. His graduate experience took him to Nashville where he worked on several local projects and did a significant project in Ghana where he helped local residents with designing facilities for job training, schools, and resource management. Today, Kyle has his own architectural firm, Faber Design Company, and is working on several projects in the metro Detroit area. He also wants to get more involved in our club, especially with fundraising. Kyle's dedication to his craft and his love of family and community are what inspired him to join Rotary and to play a larger role in our mission of service.

50/50

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by **Diane Harrison** for \$53 and **Kyle Keaffaber** won the Second Chance for \$80. Welcome to Rotary, Kyle!

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