



Thursday, January 26, 2023

# Rotary

## Club of Plymouth



### Broadcaster Jan 20, 2023

By William Weber on Friday, January 20, 2023

#### Call to order

While President Penny was in Florida working to restore the Joy Florida household, Past President, **John Buzuvis** 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 gave several entertaining quotes regarding lunches. He ended the meditation by quoting Milton Friedman, "There's No Such Thing As a Free Lunch".

#### Introduction of Guests

There were several guests at today's meeting including two former Rotarians, **Bob Bake** and **Dan Smith**. Also attending were **Al Blixt**, **Mia Odeh**, **Kyle Keaffaber**, **Deborah Willett** and two other guests whose names the scribe was unable to identify due to background noise and technical difficulties. My sincerest apologies.

#### Special Announcement

Ice Festival. **Diane Harrison** announced that Rotarians should meet on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm at the fountain in Kellogg Park to distribute Rotary Bingo Cards. More information to follow.

**Gail Grieger**, Executive Director of PARC will be the featured speaker at the January 27, 2023 meeting.

Many thanks to **Dave Willett** for generously donating the proceeds of the Ice Festival magazine back cover to the club.

#### Program

**Don Soenen** introduced today's speaker, **Brian Turnbull**, Mayor of Northville. Brian's complete and impressive resume is available on the January 20, meeting announcement.

**Mayor Turnbull** began his informative and moving presentation by explaining his deep roots in the community as he represents the 5<sup>th</sup> generation of his family residing in Northville. Following are just a few highlights of Mayor Turnbull's presentation and I would encourage everyone to access his full presentation at [Plymouthrotary.org](http://Plymouthrotary.org) and



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### Club Meeting

Plymouth  
Meets at Plymouth  
Cultural Ctr.  
525 Farmer Street  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
Time: Friday at  
12:00 PM

### Events

No Events found

### Club Leaders



Penny Joy  
President



Chris Porman  
President-Elect

James Gietzen  
Secretary



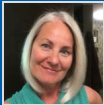
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Club Executive Secretary

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- Northville, early on was referred to as the North Village.
- Because of the rivers and mills in Northville, they were the #2 economic engine in the state in the 1920's.
- Presentation of the plans for Northville Downs race track which will include condominiums, homes, apartments, a business street as well as a river walk.
- The race track has been in Northville since the late 1800's.
- The future of the downtown road closures
- A new roundabout at the intersection of Sheldon Road and 7 Mile road
- Installation of river walks and trails throughout the community as well as the new Northville Downs community. (There is an encased river running through Northville Downs which will be returned to its' natural state).
- The Farmer's Market will be relocated.
- New entryways will be installed at Ford Field as well as ADA restroom facilities
- They are looking at possibilities for the existing Marquis Theatre
- Northville Downs project to begin this spring with a completion date in 3-4 years.
- If all goes well the current racetrack will be relocated in Plymouth Township.

Mayor Turnbull, very graciously stayed to answer questions after his presentation.

**50-50** The 50-50 was won by **David Batts**

**Weekly Drawing** – The weekly drawing was won by **Jeanne Trumpy**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15

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## Broadcaster Jan 13, 2023

By Arthur W. Gulick on Monday, January 16, 2023

OPENING: President **Penny Joy** rang our brass bell and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Chris Porman** delivered a Meditation that was a good pep talk about starting the second half of our Rotary year.

GUESTS: Penny walked around the room with the wireless mike, introducing our guests, which included **Al Blixt**, who's promoting the Michigan Shakespeare Festival; and **Bryce Bilinski**, who's in medical equipment sales and is returning to southeast Michigan.

BIRTHDAYS & CLUB ANNIVERSARIES: Notable today is the birthday of **Win Schrader**, coincident with his fiftieth year as a member of our club!

**Herman Theeke** celebrated his big day by contributing a nice check to the Plymouth Rotary Foundation—thanks, **Herman!**

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS: **Mike Moser** was an Austin, Texas Rotarian and is now a member of our club. **Yasir Khogali** has been in our area for years, is President of the Plymouth Library board and we are happy that he is now a Rotarian. **Welcome,**

**Mike and Yasir!** **Tim Joy** is Mike's sponsor, **Carol Souchock** is Yasir's.

**CLUB BYLAWS REVISION:** **Chris Porman** is sending a link to each of us to look at the proposed changes in our bylaws. The Board of Directors are likely to vote on these changes at their next meeting, so Chris wants everybody to peruse the planned changes and send him comments.

**LUNCH ORDERS:** **Chris Porman** talked about how we need good lunch counts ahead of time in order to get the proper amount of food from our caterer. You've probably already seen the links that we each get by email that let us order through the club's organizational software, DACDB.com.

**FOUR-WAY TEST COMMITTEE:** Chairperson **Carol Souchock** reminded us that our essay contest for local middle schoolers is coming up, that she needs co-chairs in early March and multiple essay graders in late March.

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS:**

January 17, 2023. The Plymouth Rotary Foundation Board of Directors meets in the evening. All Foundation members (that means all club members) may attend this meeting.

January 20, 2023. **Brian Turnbull**, Mayor of Northville, speaks to us.

January 27, 2023. We hear a Member Moment from **Gail Grieger**.

February 3-5, 2023. Downtown Plymouth is the site of the annual Ice Festival.

**NEW MEMBER BOOKLET:** **June Kirchgatter** says that we've rewritten our orientation guide for new members. You can see it on [dacdb.org](http://dacdb.org). June wonders what you'll say about it.

**FIFTY-FIFTY:** **Denise King** announced the winner, **Cam Miller**, who smiled as he picked up his stack of currency. Cam donated the money to the foundation as a Panse donation. Thanks!

**NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL:** **Liz Orbits** has been proposed for membership. Objections, if any, should be received in writing within ten (10) days by Executive Secretary **Marie Morrow**.

Happy Friday the Thirteenth!

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## **Broadcaster Jan 6, 2023**

By Kurt L Heise on Monday, January 9, 2023



**Vice President Chris Porman** called the meeting to order. It was big crowd today with at least 32 in attendance in person and likely a few more on zoom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the group, and **Paul Sincock** delivered the meditation for the day. Lunch featured Italian sausage and veggies with au gratin potatoes.

Guests today included Plymouth Township Trustee **John Stewart, Beth Stewart**, President of the AM Rotary Club, and their friends **Anna Steele, Ron Haddad, Julie Nyhus, Jerry Makled, Marsha Bird, Carol Marvin, Mike Moser, Wade Myers, Martha Trafford, Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous**, and **Martha Hnatiuk** from the Dearborn Rotary.


In addition to birthdays we also commended **Ed Schrader** for 50 years in the Rotary!

The **2022 Chicken BBQ Committee** also made its final check presentation to the Club with a massive check totaling \$34,000. Great job everyone!

Following lunch our guest speaker was our own Plymouth Township Police Chief, **James Knittel**, who was introduced by Trustee Stewart. Chief Knittel explained the Township PD's new statewide accreditation. The Plymouth Township Police Department is now among fifty-three agencies accredited by the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. Only 9 Michigan townships have this accreditation. With 583 law enforcement agencies in the state, our accredited status places Plymouth Township in the top tier of law enforcement agencies, underscoring the professionalism and dedication of our Police and 911 Dispatchers. The three-year accreditation process involved the review and modification of departmental policies and practices to comply with hundreds of established accreditation standards. Our Police Department is now in line with current standards of excellence and industry best practices. To maintain accredited status, the Plymouth Township Police Department must continue to show proof of compliance to all standards annually. Congratulations to our Police!

**Martha Hnatiuk** from the Dearborn Rotary talked about her club's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event on Saturday March 18 in Dearborn featuring the Dennis Edwards Temptations Review and other great acts. Tickets can be purchased at [www.dearbornrotary.org](http://www.dearbornrotary.org)

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by guest Anna Steele, but Don Masini wasn't present and missed the \$80 Second Change drawing.



Until we meet again – Your scribe Kurt Heise

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**Club Officers**