

Monday, July 1, 2024



# **Events**

July 5th **Music In the Air** July 12th **Art in the Park Parking** <u>fundraiser</u> July 13th **Art in the Park Fundraiser** July 19th **Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting** July 19th **Music In the Air** July 26th **Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting** July 26th **Music In the Air** 

#### **Club Leaders**



<u>James</u> <u>Gietzen</u> President



<u>Candice</u> <u>Towers</u> President-Elect



<u>James Van</u> <u>Horn III</u> Treasurer



Nancy Ann Baldwin Rotary Foundation Chair



<u>Preston Gee</u> Membership Chair



<u>Denise King</u> Youth Exchange Chair

# **Broadcaster June 28, 2024**

By Kurt L Heise on Monday, July 1, 2024



# Call to Order:

**President Chris Porman** called the meeting to order. Your scribe pulled double duty today with the Meditation which featured the words of John Adams upon the signing of the Declaration of Independence for the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend.

# **Introduction of Guests:**

Guests today included Dave Conway.

#### **Special Announcement:**

Incoming President **James Gietzen** couldn $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}$  make it to the meeting today as he and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy  $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}$  welcome to the world Henry Matthew Gietzen!

# **Announcements and Upcoming Events:**

- **July 4** â€" Parade coordinated with Kiwanis. We need volunteers throughout the event! Use sign up genius to register
- Art in the Park weekend is coming July 12-14, and we need volunteers to staff the parking lot
- **July 20** â€" Plymouth Rotary 100-year gala at the Mayflower Meeting House. You can purchase tickets online through our Rotary website
- Music in the Air volunteers needed for August 23 concert. See Dave Batts for details.

# **Special Program:**





Today it was "Committee Fair†featuring several of our most important committees.

**Eric Joy** spoke about the BBQ Committee, now in its 67<sup>th</sup> year. About 7 people serve on the BBQ Committee and we need 4 new members for this year. This and the golf outing are our two biggest fundraisers.

**Preston Gee** talked about the Membership Committee and the Art in the Park Committee. We've had 37 new members in the past two years. New members are paired with a current member mentor to assist with the process. Art in the Park weekend is coming soon and volunteers are needed. The event does not require much work during the year but does involve a very busy weekend of work.

**Paul Sincock** spoke on Youth Exchange on behalf of **Denise King**. We are getting a new exchange student this year from Germany, and host parents are always needed. Members are also encouraged to provide fun outings for the exchange students throughout the year.

**June Kirchgatter** described the role of the Program Committee which is responsible for inviting guest speakers and other items of interest for Rotary Luncheons and other events during the year.

#### 50/50

Wrapping things up, the 50/50 was won by **Rachel Ross** for \$45. **Kasey Kohn** would have won the second chance but she was absent.

Until we meet again â€"

# **Broadcaster June 21, 2024**

By William Weber on Monday, June 24, 2024

**Call to Order** President, **Chris Porman**, called the meeting to order at precisely 12:10pm immediately following the 100 Year Anniversary Photo Shoot. Chris led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chuck Lang led the meditation and fittingly began with  $\hat{a} \in \text{cethe Gift of Rotary} \hat{a} \in \text{cethe In the room.}$  After recognizing the incoming and outgoing officers, Chuck implored all of us to continue to do the great work of Rotary.

**Guests** There were many guests today at this "Changing of the Guard†meeting. Among the guests were the following:

Barb Jones, wife of District Governor Russ Jones
James Carney, a long time Rotarian
Robert Reizner, Jackson Rotary Club
Jacob Poteet
Ron Schram, a long time Rotarian
Tod Jaggi, Livonia Rotary Club
Natasha Gee, wife of Preston Gee
Steven Gietzen, brother of James Gietzen
Traci Sincock, wife of Paul Sincock and Past District Governor
Nancy Lang, wife of Chuck Lang

**June Birthdays-** June was a banner month for Rotarian birthdays. You may access the birthdates on the video of the meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade joint venture between Rotary and Kiwanis. Looking for help with planning and on the day of the parade. See Chris Porman for more

July 12, 13, & 14 Art in the Park parking. This is a major Rotary fund raiser and we

July 20<sup>th</sup>: 100th year Gala at the Mayflower Meeting House. There have already been close to a hundred people registered and a good number of sponsorships have been secured. If you haven't already registered, please do so. For specific information please contact either **Diane Harrison** or **Nancy Baldwin.** 

**Paul Harris Fellowship-** District Governor, **Russ Jones** presented **James VanHorn** with the Paul Harris Fellow pin.



Paul Harris Major Donor Status- District Governor, Russ Jones presented Nancy and Chuck Lang with Major Donor Status diamond pins



**Induction of incoming Board members-** District Governor, **Russ Jones** administered the Oath of Office to new members, **Preston Gee** and **Bill Weber**. **Dan Amos** and **Dan Hordov** will be sworn in at a later date.

**Induction of incoming President-** District Governor, **Russ Jones** administered the Oath of Office to incoming president **James Gietzen.** 



Comments from outgoing President- Chris Porman gave a very moving presentation regarding his year in office. He began by thanking the Board of Directors as well as the club members for all of their contributions throughout the year. Chris provided many highlights including the arrival of seventeen new members this year and a total of thirty two over the past two years, a record number of dollars raised by our efforts with regard to Art in the Park parking, getting closer to besting our foes in bell ringing, the continued success of our planting on Main Street, a visit to St. Leo's, providing a luncheon for veterans, a sellout golf outing, awarding of thousands of dollars of scholarships, Santa and Bingo events, public safety awards The Sun Never Sets on Rotary participation, the outstanding work of the program committee, the efforts at the Historical Museum regarding the History of Rotary, our contribution to 88.1 the PARC, the efforts of the Rotary Foundation to provide the funding for the numerous projects. Even with all of the above successes, Chris spoke very movingly about the camaraderie, fellowship, unity and mutual support which define all of us as Rotarians.

Chris also thanked outgoing board members, **Penny Joy, James VanHorn**, **Paul Opdyke** and **Carol Souchock** for their outstanding service to the club.

**Changing of the Guard-** Incoming president **Giessen** presented Outgoing President **Chris** with a past president $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^{M}$ s plaque, the highly coveted past president $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^{M}$ s pin as well as a single malt beverage. In return, with a sense of relief, **Chris** presented **James** with the president $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^{M}$ s pin.





Comments from incoming President- James Gietzen began his comments by stating that the theme for the next year will be "The Magic of Rotary.†To that end he discussed how we need to be future oriented and that really is in the hands of the members. He reflected on the accomplishments of the past as well as many of the international successes, including the near eradication of polio. The examples James provided are clear testimony that when we make promises we follow through. James implored all of us to be kind and welcoming to each other and to new members, to share our talents with each other and the club, cultivate new members and encourage new ideas, dare to dream big and actually being engaged. By incorporating these ideas we can make a difference in our community and beyond. In closing, James reflected on his thoughts about the Rotary logo and the hole in the middle. James likened the hole to a slot for a key to make the gears turn and when all of the gears are turning together that is when we see "The True Magic of Rotary.â€

**Foundation Officers-** The Foundations officers for the upcoming year are:

John Buzuvis, President

Bruce Baxter, Vice President/Secretary

Tim Joy, Treasurer

Video- To see the meeting in its' entirety go to Plymout!

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**50/50-** Todayâ $\in$ <sup>™</sup>s raffle was a whopping \$91 and was won by **Barry Simescu.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance- Eric Joy, who was in attendance, took home the 2<sup>nd</sup> chance winnings.

**Four Way Test- President James** led us in the recitation of the 4 Way Test.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

#### **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