

Monday, June 10, 2024



## Broadcaster June 7, 2024

By Arthur W. Gulick on Monday, June 10, 2024



President **Chris Porman** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. PDG **Paul Sincock**'s Meditation called to mind the late **Dr. Bob Petersen**, a long time member of our club. Paul urged us to remember our devotion to service and to walk gently through the world.

### INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

**Dave Mueller**, owner of Bode's Restaurant, became a member of the club. Welcome, Dave!

### GUESTS

- **Tom Adams** brought his granddaughter **Maya Adams** as his guest. Maya is on summer break from teaching in Florida, investigating what Tom does as a financial planner.
- **Preston Gee** introduced his summer intern, **Eshan Kapoor**, an economics major at University of Michigan.
- **Hunter and Elizabeth Hall** were guests of **Michelle Hall**.

The three host families of our exchange student **Noa** were guests of **Denise King**:

- **Rachel Greenwood**, husband **Alex Thayer**;
- **Hollie and Prayush Saraswat** and daughter **Leena**; and
- **Cathy and Bas Timmen**

### INDUCTION OF NEW CLUB PRESIDENT

**James Gietzen** will be taking over as our new 2024-2025 President on June 21, 2024.

### 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OFFICIAL CLUB PHOTOGRAPH

## Events

June 14th  
**Plymouth Weekly Club Meeting**

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**Music In the Air**

June 21st  
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June 28th  
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July 5th  
**Music In the Air**

## Club Leaders



**Chris Porman**  
President



**James Gietzen**  
President-Elect



**Candice Towers**  
Secretary



**James Van Horn III**  
Treasurer



**Charles J. Bares**  
Rotary Foundation Chair



**June Kirchgatter**  
Membership Chair



[Denise King](#)  
Youth  
Exchange  
Chair



[Penny Joy](#)  
iPast  
President



[Marie A. Morrow](#)  
Club  
Executive  
Secretary

Show up looking good and dressed to the nines! We are taking a group picture at noon.

### **FOURTH OF JULY PARADE PREPARATIONS**

We still need more Rotarians to work jointly with the Kiwanians for our downtown Plymouth parade. To volunteer, use SignUpGenius.

### **ART IN THE PARK**

Plymouth's local outdoor art festival will be held July 12-14, 2024. Our club handles paid parking at this popular event, providing us with operating funds.

### **ANNIVERSARY GALA, JULY 20, 2024**

**Liz Orbits says buy your tickets now!** It helps us move ahead with this big event. **Paul Sincock** will emcee and **Scott LaRiche** will be our featured speaker. There will be gift baskets for attendees, and we need super gift things donated to go into these baskets. Watch for an email about what kind of items to bring to meetings. Contact: DianeHarrison@[earth5h2.0@gmail.com](mailto:earth5h2.0@gmail.com)?

### **SPEAKER**

Our exchange student **Noa Gaethofs** shared with us memories of his recent months with us and then responded to questions. After a trip out west with a bunch of other exchange students, Noa will be returning to his hometown in Belgium.

### **FIFTY-FIFTY**

Maya Adams held the winning ticket, worth \$52. Tim Joy got the \$80 Second Chance prize.

We closed with recitation of the FOUR-WAY TEST.

## **Broadcaster May 31, 2024**

By Arthur W. Gulick on Friday, May 31, 2024



### **OPENING**

President **Chris Porman** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Delivering a Meditation Moment, PDG **Paul Sincock** read US President Harry Truman's 1949 message calling for the transition from war to peace.

### **FOUR-WAY TEST ESSAY WINNERS**

Chairpersons **Carol Souchock** and **Bruce Baxter** presented the award program for local middle school students who were selected as winners in our club's recent essay contest.

The students were challenged to write essays applying the Rotary Four-Way Test (see below) to personal challenges. Our meeting room at the Plymouth Cultural Center was filled with winning students, family members, and teachers who joined us for lunch.

Bruce recognized contributors who helped make our program possible, including Vassal's Main Street Catering and Helen Yancy Fine Art and Photography. Jackie George supplied decorations for our dining tables.

**Monica Merritt**, Plymouth Rotarian and P-CCS Superintendent congratulated the contest winners. Originally an English teacher, Monica Merritt was recognized as 2023 Superintendent of the Year by the Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators.

The two top student essays, thoughtful and impressive, were read to us. Then all students were called forward to be recognized and to shake hands with DG Russ Jones and President Chris. A total of 29 students were congratulated from seven local middle schools.

SCHOOLS:

- All Saints Catholic School
- P-CCS Virtual Academy
- Liberty Middle School
- Pioneer Middle School
- Discovery Middle School
- East Middle School, and
- West Middle School

Over 500 students participated in this year's contest.

Bruce thanked all the students, parents, administrators and teachers who helped make this contest a success. Bruce urged the students to investigate joining the Interact Club when they get to high school, and he encouraged parents to think about joining Rotary.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fourth of July Parade: we need Rotarians to volunteer for this effort, which we are doing jointly with Kiwanis.
- On July 20, 2024, our club's 100-year anniversary Gala will be held at the Mayflower Meeting House. For tickets, go to <https://www.simplertix.com/e/rotary-club-of-plymouths-century-of-service-tickets-162216>

#### CLOSING

**Denise King** won the Fifty-Fifty drawing.

We ended the meeting by reciting the Four-Way Test:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Is it beneficial to all concerned?

#### SPECIAL NOTE

Opening this weekend at the Plymouth District Library is the new outdoor Wilcox Amphitheater, named after the late Plymouth philanthropist Jack Wilcox. It's in front of the library, nestled in an elegantly landscaped nook next to City Hall.

**Lunch ordering- Advance sign up is IMPORTANT!**

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Salad options available:

Maurice Salad

Cesar with or without chicken

Greek with or without chicken

Spinach with or without chicken

Mediterranean