

OPENING

Time: 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance

GUESTS

Carrie Maliszewski, guest of John Maliszewski.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

None.

ANNIVERSARIES

Lee Johnson, 16 years.

ROVING REPORTER

No report.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers:

-- (in a good way), Brandon and Carrie Elliott, whose son, Clark Henry Elliott, was born on 8/11. Congratulations!

-- Former club member, Dick Allison, who is suffering from an active brain aneurysm. He is committed to staying active while going through this.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- 8/5 to 8/21. GP/HW School Supply Collection. Please bring any items to the upcoming August meetings. Contact Rebecca Fannon with any questions.

-- Kudos to all who volunteered at the Crossroads lunch on 8/11.

-- 9/12. Food Collection for The Second Mile Center from 10:00am to 11:00am at GP Memorial Church.

-- Upcoming projects to mark on your calendar: (1) a wine event for

Coventry House on 9/25, which would consist of light duties and (2)

Life Remodeled clean-up on 9/30, which will be a little more strenuous. Details to follow.

ROTARY NEWS

-- District Conference: 5/6/27 to 5/9/27 at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. The two-person cost for a weekend is less than half of what it would be on your own. Go to www.rotary6400.org to register.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Progressive dinner reminder. The date is 11/7 so mark your calendar.

-- Garage sale from 8/14 to 8/16 at Dino Valente's house in St. Clair Shores (26339 Jefferson). Stop by if you are able to help for a bit.

-- The District Governor's golf outing is at Lakes of Taylor on 9/11. If anyone is interested in putting together a second foursome, please contact President Dave.

-- Our club bar needs to be replenished. This is used for the progressive dinner and for club assemblies (members only meetings at a different location). Cash and/or bottle donations are accepted.

-- Alma Kitchen Lunch Bunch. If you plan on attending, RSVP via email to Ted Everingham by 11:00am that day.

-- Next week's speaker will be Dr. Joseph Daniel-Hoste, the Executive Director of Crossroads of Michigan.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Merdith Hanoian, Director of Fundraising & Development for The War Memorial.

The Alger family built their house in 1910 and used it for family, business, and philanthropy until 1936. It eventually became The War Memorial in 1949 (TWM).

The War Memorial is the heart of the community as a place for connection and celebration, welcoming almost 100,000 people each year, with over 2,000 events and classes annually. Its pillars of focus include honoring veterans, arts & culture, family & youth, and lifelong learning.

Through donations received, its hospitality (primarily weddings) and program fees, TWM is able to offer its many programs while also maintaining an aging building. To learn more about becoming a donor and/or upcoming events, visit www.warmemorial.org.

**Assistant Governor Renee Yancy introduced two midwives, one who works in northern Iraq and the other in Lebanon. They work with an organization called The Hamsaye Network. Universal access to midwifery care results in an 80% decrease in the annual 300,000 mothers who die during labor and birth and the 2.3 million newborns who die in the first month of life. www.thehamsayenetwork.org.

MEETING RAFFLE

\$70 in the new pot. Jon Gandelot purchased the winning ticket but did not pick the joker so the pot grows.

CALENDAR

Aug 19: Dr. Joseph Daniel-Hoste – Crossroads of Michigan

Aug 26: Dina Sidhom & Hani Seif – GG Women Empowerment Project (Cairo, Egypt)

Sep 2 & 9: No meeting

Sep 16: DG Kim Spirou – District Governor Official Visit