

OPENING

Time: 6:00
 Pledge of Allegiance:
 Invocation: Diane Strickler

GUESTS

None.

VISITING ROTARIANS

Sandra Cobb and Wayne
 Manchester, GP Sunrise

BIRTHDAYS

Bryce Thomas (9/3) and Steve
 Cornillie (9/8).

ANNIVERSARIES

Murray Davis, 7 years. Mark Cory,
 8 years. Phil MacKethan, 8 years.
 Neil Sroka, 8 years. David Eardley,
 17 years (2 years with our Club).

ROVING REPORTER

Susan Mozena
 -- Roger and Jean Hull are very happy to have their daughter, son-in-law, and grandson moving from NY City to a home in GP Farms.
 -- Congratulations to Sara Ollison, whose garden was part of the GP Garden Center Garden Tour.
 -- John and Dawn Drozd's sons announced their respective engagements in the same week, with 2025 and 2026 wedding dates. Congratulations!
 -- Happy birthday to our PR intern, Jullia, who turns 17 on 8/22.
 -- Lee Johnson's 80-year-old golfing father recently shot under his age, a 77. Wow!
 -- Jaylen Bradley's mother, a principal at a Detroit elementary school, has a small moment to relax after just hiring the last teacher needed before school begins on Monday.

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

-- Sarah Ollison lives in GP Park and is a retired teacher. She knows quite a bit about Rotary and our Club as the widow of past president and 52-year member, Fred Ollison. Please make her feel welcome.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- 9/14 events:
 - Food Drive for Second Mile Center from 10:00am – 11:00am at GP Memorial Church
 -- Forgotten Harvest Food Distribution. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Contact Paul Rentenbach for details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Club Garage Sale report. Thank you to Dino Valente and Jackie and all who donated and helped at the sale, which raised \$1,591! This amount meets the District's goal for each club's donation to fight polio.
 -- GP Sunrise's Grosse Pointe Run takes place on 9/21. To register to walk or run, go to www.grossepointerun.com.
 -- Heather Mayernik is organizing an online book club, which includes discussions by former Detroit News baseball beat writer Tom Gage and our own Roger Hull. For info, please contact Heather.
 -- The next Club fellowship event will take place at Whiskey Six on 9/25.
 -- District Governor Golf Outing on 9/30 at Lakes of Taylor Golf Course. The Club is looking to put together a foursome. Contact Dave Colton if interested in playing.
 -- Lunch Bunch: Noon on Friday at Alma Kitchen.
 -- Our next speaker is on 9/11, where Amanda Devaux will give a new member presentation.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Tucker Rossmassler –
 International Samaritan.

International Samaritan has been addressing poverty since 1994 and has developed into an organization that focuses on holistic support and education. Its mission is to walk hand-in-hand with people in garbage dump communities, along with those with a calling to help, to break the chains of poverty and to improve their lives together.

In these communities, the life expectancy is 35, one third of babies will die before their first birthday, and over 50% of children will drop out of school by 7th grade. To guide the children to a different life, on average \$3,000 is provided for each. This pays for tuition, school uniforms, medical needs, intent access, and leadership development.

Since 2019, the organization maintains a 75% success rate of scholars who either graduate or remain with them. The graduates, on average, earn two and a half times the income of the households from which they come. To learn more, go to www.intsam.org.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$9 in the new pot. Scott Matthews purchased the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker.

CALENDAR

Aug 28: No Meeting
 Sep 04: No Meeting
 Sep 11: Amanda Devaux – New Member Presentation.