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OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: Peter Stroh

Invocation: Susan Mozena

GUESTS

Murray Davis, guest of Paul Rentenbach.

VISITING ROTARIANS

John Chambers, DGN

BIRTHDAYS

Jack Cobau (8/28). Al Ceravolo (9/1).

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike Carmody, 10 years with our Club and 27 years total. George Shammass, 17 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Susan Mozena

-- Congratulations to Ted and Marcia Everingham who celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on August 19th.

-- Our exchange student Simon is slowly recovering from jet lag and is looking forward to attending South.

-- Kim Towar's daughter, Brandi, and her granddaughter, Nycki, are both attending Wayne State.

-- Peter Stroh has been putting the word out for golfers for an outing or two or to form a league. 19 have responded so far. If interested, let Peter know.

-- Jessica Keyser was very excited about the solar eclipse viewing parties at two of the GP Libraries. Close to 1,000 people attended and there was a live stream from NASA.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

No news.

OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

INDUCTION

-- Mike Carmody inducted Murray Davis, the Director of External Affairs for Vehicles for Change – Detroit. Murray and his wife Kim live in Redford and was sponsored by Paul Rentenbach. Please make him feel welcome and help him become involved in Club activities.

SERVICE PROJECTS

-- The NE Guidance Center will be distributing donated backpacks and supplies on August 26th. Volunteers are needed to help set up, from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM, at the Harper Wood HS football field. If able to help, please contact Bob Lucas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Bill Scott thanked Jessica Keyser for agreeing to be Simon's host family for the entire year. That's great news! Bill also reminded everyone to keep their eyes and ears open for host families for next year.

-- The Club and Foundation have agreed to the following funding requests: \$1,000 to the Family Center and \$500 to the Revolution Flag Group. RI Grants have also been received: \$2,000 for Operation Warm and \$1,000 for the Revolution Flag Group.

-- John Chambers announced two upcoming District events: (1) DG Golf Outing on 10/2 and One Rotary Summit the Musical on 9/13 at Schoolcraft College. Please visit www.rotary6400.org for more info.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dr. Reverend David Deiter, Executive Director of SOC.

SOC is in its 39th year and serves 9,000 people in the Grosse Pointes

and Harper Woods. To make sure it stays relevant, it is re-evaluating its strategic plan and has hired a company to market and re-brand the organization. It will be updating its mission statement, possibly changing the name from Services for Older Citizens because many of those up in age do not consider themselves old.

Unlike most, if not all, senior organizations in the country, SOC does not operate with any tax money. In fact, 80% of what it spends has to be raised annually. This needs to change. An example of one of their costs is Meals on Wheels where it costs \$1,100/year to feed one person five days a week. SOC provides 60 – 100 meals a day.

Dr. Deiter says that we would be surprised as to how many of our neighbors are living on the edge, worrying about food and having enough money to stay in their home. With what SOC provides the community, it is literally keeping people alive.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$1,884 in the pot with \$942 going to the winner. Liz Vogel, subbing in for Florence, held the winning ticket but couldn't find the joker. Thank you to Charvat the Florist for providing the beautiful flower arrangement.

CALENDAR

Aug 30: No Meeting

Sep 6: Dr. Manz and Marty Petz – HART – Haiti Relief

Sep 13: No Meeting

