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OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: President Gary

Invocation: Susan Mozena

GUESTS

Heather Mayernik, guest of Gary Niehaus.

VISITING ROTARIANS

Janet Haas and Halyna Bialczyk (Livonia). Linda Dewey. Jason Allen (Traverse City Noon). John Brooks (Naples North).

BIRTHDAYS

Jack Cobau (8/28), Al Ceravolo (9/1), and Joel Hatline (9/2).

ANNIVERSARIES

Murray Davis, 1 year. Neil Sroka, 2 years. Phil MacKethan, 2 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Suzanne Klein

– In her typical fashion, Suzanne highlighted the latest edition of The Rotarian magazine which has nice articles on what clubs are doing on World Polio Day and a Rotaract Club book project for visually impaired children.

-- Steve McMillan recommends that everyone “friend” Anna Gleason, our outbound exchange student to Finland, on Facebook. She is posting pictures and news of her activities.

-- The Supper Club is meeting at the DYC on August 30th. If heading there on Mark Weber’s boat, please be ready to leave by 5:15.

-- Suzanne is looking forward to traveling to Rome on Friday for her son’s wedding on Monday.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- No report.

OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Operation Warm. The brochures and posters have been distributed to local businesses.

-- Crossroads lunch program. 95 lunches were handed out yesterday, bringing the total to 311 over the three dates. Thank you to all to volunteered and to Chef Dave Colton.

-- Thank you to all who helped clean up Defer School on a rainy Saturday.

-- Life Remodeled on October 3rd. Ted Everingham has sent out an e-mail on how to sign up for this great project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Cruise for a Cause. The date is September 6th and there are 65 people registered. Let’s make a last minute push to get this number to 100! RSVP to Paul Rentenbach as soon as possible.

-- Foundation Board meeting at 4:30PM, on September 5th, at the War Memorial.

-- The District Governor’s visit will be on 9/12. Committee chairs will meet with him prior to the meeting at 4:30PM.

-- The District Govern golf outing is on 9/16. President Gary is willing to represent the Club and is looking for other golfers to join him.

TODAY’S PROGRAM

Sean Scholthoefter, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Commodore

The GPYC was founded in 1914. At first, there was just a harbor at the foot of Vernier Rd. that was constructed by Grosse Pointe Shores along with its municipal building

in 1915. Construction of the current clubhouse building didn’t take place until 1927 and was completed in 1929, months before the start of the Great Depression. The total cost was \$1 million (\$12 million today).

During the 1930s, the Club had to borrow from its membership to remain open before eventually going into receivership. Eventually an appeal was made to purchase the Club from the bank for \$125,000. It re-opened in 1938 and has continued to operate to this day.

Over the past three years, \$9 million has been spent to revamp the harbor and tennis courts and to build a playground and splash pad. The goal is to make it more appealing to families to boat, dine, and exercise at one location. The Club has also increased its community outreach through the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$660 in the pot with \$330 going to the winner. John Brooks held the lucky ticket but couldn’t find the joker. Thank you to Charvat The Florist for the beautiful flower arrangement.

CALENDAR

Sep 05: Jeffrey Huebner & Dan Hughes, GP Farms Foundation

Sep 12: Paul Sincock, District Governor

Sep 19: Beth Vernon, Executive Director GP Library Foundation