

OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM
 Pledge of Allegiance: President Judy
 Invocation: Susan Mozena

GUESTS

Mason Ferry, guest of Lisa Gandelot. Neil Sroka's daughter, Frances. Jennifer Boettcher, guest of Ted Everingham.

VISITING ROTARIANS

John Brooks, Naples

BIRTHDAYS

None.

ANNIVERSARIES

Lee Johnson (8 years).

ROVING REPORTER

Susan Mozena
 -- Steve McMillan and Paige Neihaus recently talked to Simon Drehmer (17-18 exchange student) who celebrated his 19th birthday. He's in the process of writing a book of poetry to accompany then many pictures he has taken. (Paige praised the benefits of being a host family and strongly encourages everyone to consider being one).
 -- Lisa Gandelot recently attended a Rotary meeting in East Jordan, MI. The club is made up 30+ active, fun Rotarians.
 -- Lee Johnson's son, Adam, placed first in the 14 & Under backstroke in the Lakefront Parks Swimming Finals.
 -- Susan's 15 year old grandson helped her build a butterfly garden in her and John's backyard. (No word on John's involvement).
 -- Congratulations to John Mozena who is celebrating his 50th year in the kitchen business.

OIL CAN

-- Liz Vogel gave it to both Vince Van Tiem and Doris Neal Van Tiem for helping her with the speaker program this year.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- Good to see Florence Seltzer back.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Diane Strickler
 -- Thank you to all who volunteered at the Crossroads Lunch and Life Remodeled this week.
 -- Northeast Guidance Center Backpack Project. Remember to bring your donations to one of the GP Libraries or our meetings. They will be accepted up to 8/16.
 -- GP Woods Library book transfer at 2:00 PM on 8/10. High school volunteers might be in short supply so please make an effort to help out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Ted Everingham presented Florence Seltzer with the Service Above Self Award as she was unable to attend the Passing of the Gavel.
 -- Cruise for a Cause on 9/12. 60 people have signed up to attend this event. We are looking to double this number so invite your friends.
 -- Tot Lot update. \$65,000 has been donated or pledged. Thank you to Mark and Gail Zmyslowski for purchasing the Comfort Cave and to Jennifer Boettcher and the GP Chamber of Commerce for donating \$35,000 to purchase a playscape.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Elizabeth Weigandt -- Author of the Queen Bee.

Ms. Weigandt grew up in Royal Oak and has lived in Grosse Pointe Farms for three years. She believes

that Grosse Pointe is a great literary community with its 3 libraries, 2 newspapers, and a magazine. Her career has been in public relations but she has always wanted to write a book.

Writing at night, it took her three years to finish the Queen Bee. It's a story about a worker bee, Manuka, and her friend, Cotton, who are banished from their hive for trying to warn the queen bee about a problem with the honey making everyone sick. Their adventures are situated on Belle Isle and take place inside the Conservatory.

Ms. Weigandt says there are three parts to telling a great story: (1) Set the stakes -- create tension with a problem that needs solving. (2) Develop the arc -- build momentum and show what is happening. (3) Resolve the stakes -- a strong ending with the problem being solved.

FLOWER RAFFLE

A pot of \$132 with \$66 going to the winner. Judy Masserang was very excited to be a first time winning ticket holder but was not able to pick the joker. Thank you to Charvat the Florist for the beautiful flower arrangement.

CALENDAR

Aug 14: Outbound Student

Aug 21: Gail Marlow -- Motor City Mitten

Aug 28: Bud & Sue Ozar -- Friends of Kenyan Orphans

Sep 04: Melanie Taylor -- 2018 Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan