

OPENING

Time: 6:00
 Pledge of Allegiance:
 Invocation: Steve Brownell

GUESTS

Molly MacKethan, guest of Phil MacKethan. Sarah Ollison.

VISITING ROTARIANS

Steve McMillan, Roscommon (but really Grosse Pointe).

BIRTHDAYS

None.

ANNIVERSARIES

None.

ROVING REPORTER

Jackie Dale
 -- Congratulations to Roger Hull, who is now the Family Center's board of Directors President.
 -- Jackie provided more information about the two political refugees from Chad that are in need of assistance. One is looking to resume a career in medicine and the other a career in accounting. For more information on how you can help, please contact Jackie Dale.
 -- The \$67,000 grant that Murray Davis secured for the area's veterans courts is being put to good use.
 -- The Club membership has been very active in the community with GP News pictures of/stories about Jessica Keyser, Judy Masserang, Ted Everingham, and Phil MacKethan, all appearing in recent editions.

OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Jackie Dale

-- No news.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Volunteers for the Kids On The Go Ice Cream Social on 8/8 are needed at 5:15pm at the Assumption Cultural Center.
 -- The Club will be holding a garage sale from 8/16 to 8/18 at Dino Valente's home (26339 Jefferson SCS). Smaller donations can be brought to this week's meeting and all items can be brought directly to Dino's home. Please contact him to coordinate. A sign-up sheet was passed around to work the sale and to bring baked goods.

MEMBERSHIP R&R

(Recruitment & Retention)
 Mark Cory
 -- Don't be shy about promoting the Club through conversations, wearing your Rotary pin, and displaying lawn signs (available through Dave Colton). Rotary apparel is also available for purchase online. Please contact Mark for more information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- District Governor Golf Outing on 9/30 at Lakes of Taylor Golf Course. The Club is looking to put together one or more four-person teams. Contact President Neil if interested.
 -- Lunch Bunch: Noon on Friday at Alma Kitchen.
 -- Next week's speaker is Sherry Searcy who will be sharing the story of the Bryant Searcy Scholarship Foundation which was established to honor the life and legacy of fallen Deputy Corporal Bryant Searcy.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Bill Jasman, Trenton Rotary --
 Ghana By The Numbers.

District 6400 has conducted 12 mission trips to Ghana over the years, resulting in \$1.5 million being donated over that time. Mr. Gasman travelled there in 2022 and 2024.

This past year, the trip resulted in:
 - 3 school renovations
 - 7 water wells commissioned.
 - 3 "days for girls" presentations regarding female hygiene.
 - the distribution of 100s of reading glasses, 160 sewing machines and professional hair dryers, 600 backpacks, and 30 soccer balls
 - a baby wellness check day with supplies for new mothers.
 -- 15 exhausted team members from their 17-day journey

The next Ghana trip is scheduled for September of 2025. Details will be available at www.rotary6400.org if anyone wants to take part and/or make a donation of money or goods.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$553 in the pot. Jackie Dale purchased the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker.

CALENDAR

Aug 14: Sherry Searcy – The Bryant Searcy Scholarship Foundation

Aug 21: Tucker Rossmassler – Ending Generational Poverty in "Garbage Dump Communities"

Aug 28: No Meeting

Sep 04: No Meeting