

## OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: President Bob

Invocation: Steve McMillan

## GUESTS

None.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

John Maliszewski

## BIRTHDAYS

Jon Gandelot (12/15)

## ANNIVERSARIES

Paige Niehaus, 2 years.

## ROVING REPORTER

John Mozena

- Congratulations to John and Terry Minnis on the sale of the GP News to Sean Cotton. John and Terry will continue to work at the paper.

-- Jessica Keyser recommends looking in the GP Central Library window to see the gingerbread library that was constructed for the GP Chamber competition.

-- Phil MacKethan's parents home caught fire last week. All are safe and, although the fire was small, the damage is extensive. They are currently living with Phil and Molly.

-- Roger and Jean Hull are happy to be entertaining their daughter, son-in-law, and 2-year old grandchild from New York over the holiday.

-- Mark your calendar for our 1/27 meeting as Nina Gazel's grandmother and Jackie Dale's stepfather will talk about their WWII experiences.

-- Ted Everingham will be participating in WJR's broadcast of A Christmas Carol at 4:00PM on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

-- Steve and Sharon McMillan purchased a very rustic cabin

in Lewiston, MI a few months ago and, besides doing a lot of cleaning, they have learned how to deal with small wild animals and to collect rainwater to run the toilet.

-- The Little Blue Book's website, [www.bluebooklocal.com](http://www.bluebooklocal.com), offers coupons that can be printed out to help support local businesses.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

-- George McMullen reported that he is feeling good in his 2<sup>nd</sup> round of chemotherapy and that a CT scan tomorrow will show if it's working. Keep your fingers crossed and your prayers coming.

-- John Maliszewski says that his daughter, Annie, is stable in her cancer battle. Basically, no news, which is good news. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

-- Fred Ollison is progressing nicely after his recent knee surgery.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Crossroads Lunch. This December 13 event is still happening through GP Memorial Church with packaged cold lunches being handed out.

-- The next Trunk to Trunk food drop-off at GP Memorial Church will take place on January 9. Judy described the 12/5 drop-off as unusual, but not surprising in today's environment, as a few cars showed up asking for food.

## OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Election results. Club Board: Jessica Keyser, Irena Politano, and Neil Sroka. Foundation Board: Mark Brooks, Judy Masserang, and Paige Niehaus. The President Nominee is Phil MacKethan.

Congratulations to all and thank you to those who were willing to be nominated.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Roger Hull – Club Foundation Board President. The Foundation Board is made up of 9 directors, with three new ones elected each year as three term out. It is responsible for the stewardship of the Foundation balance sheet and its assets. Duties include creating an annual budget, approving or amending grant requests received from the Club Board, and disbursing the funds directly to the organization requesting them or remanding to the Club Board for further action.

Revenue comes from special events, such as the McNeill Raffle, Cruise for a Cause, and, in the past, bi-annual auctions. Money is also received through District 6400 grants, donations, gifts from estates, and gifts in memory of a Rotarian.

Funding categories include education (scholarships), community projects (Tot Lot, Crossroads), and international projects (polio). Accounting and bank fees makes up the operating expenses.

To continue to support our projects (without being able to conduct fundraisers), a letter will be sent out to the membership asking for a donation to the Foundation that is "right for you". Donations can also be made on the Club's website.

## CALENDAR

Dec 16: Jennifer Boettcher – Grosse Pointe Chamber