



ROTARpointe

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OPENING

Time: 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance

Reflections: Amanda Deveaux read a few stanzas of Desiderata, a poem that means a lot to her. (Attached in the Rotarpointe email).

GUESTS

Mary Tipp, Carrie Maliszewski, Lynn Gadzinski, Mike Huellmantel, Ron Feldman

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Judy Masserang (2/5) and Rich Solak (2/7).

ANNIVERSARIES

Ryan Berns, 2 years. Bill Scott, 27 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Liz Vogel

-- Many members are going on trips: Johann Finkelmeier spent 2 ½ weeks in Florida and will be heading back down in 2 weeks; Mike Hollerbach is going to Florida to golf with friends and will be staying for 2/12 months; John and Susan Mozena will be travelling to more than one location in the south; Barb Carlier will be taking a cruise through the Panama Canal and then it's off to Europe; Roger and Jean Hull will be vacationing for 2 weeks in Hawaii; the Neil Sroka family is heading to Cancun; and Liz Vogel is going to Cabo.

-- Per Jessica Keyser, the GP Library is updating its strategic plan and is seeking community engagement. Here is the link to sign up for a session. [Share Your Ideas | Grosse Pointe Public Library](#)

-- Brandon and Carrie Elliott are expecting their first child (a boy) in August. Congratulations!

OIL CAN

Postponed.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- Thoughts and prayers to Murray and Kim Davis who are battling Covid.

ROTARY BUSINESS

-- A thank you goes out to Dino Valente for taking over the role as the Club Foundation secretary.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- 2/3: Thank you to Dave Colton and all helped with dinner prep Shelter Week at David Eardley's GP United Methodist Church.

-- 2/28: Motor City Mittens. From 10:00am to noon. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Deveaux.

-- Kids Against Hunger on 3/14 at GP Memorial Church. Register on the Club website calendar.

-- Food Drive from 10:00am to 11:00am on 3/14 at GP Memorial Church.

-- Moross Greenway Spring Clean Up from 9:00am to 11:00am on 4/11. Roger Hull will be championing this volunteer opportunity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- There is a fellowship gathering with the Detroit, Detroit AM, and Sunrise clubs at 5:30pm on 2/18 at Whiskey Six. President Jackie sent out a link to register for the event.

-- Alma Kitchen Lunch Bunch. If you plan on attending, RSVP via email to Ted Everingham by 11:00am that day.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

John Mozena – Rock & Roll Tour

John has a list of 14 singers whose birthplaces he wants to visit as part of his Rock & Roll tour. To date, he has completed 10 and reported on 4 this evening.

With his daughter and daughter-in-law, in September 2024, he made it to Tupelo MS for Elvis Presley, Clarksdale, MS for Sam Cooke, Dawson, GA for Otis Redding, and Macon GA for Little Richard. While in Clarksdale, he visited the Delta Blues Museum and also went to Muscle Shoals, AL to see the FAME Recording Studio and the Muscle Shoals Sound Studio, where numerous singers and musicians, such as Percy Sledge and Aretha Franklin, recorded many of their hits.

In addition to the hometowns, John visited Graceland, which Elvis bought for his mother, and Elvis Presley's Museum. There they saw memorabilia for all of his 7 stages, including young Elvis, Las Vegas Elvis, and fat Elvis. Side trips in Memphis included seeing the Lorraine Hotel where Martin Luther King was assassinated and the National Civil Rights Museum.

MEETING RAFFLE

\$139 in the pot. Dino Valente picked the card on behalf of the Club but did not pick the joker.

CALENDAR

Feb 11: Nick Krayacich – RI Foundation & Endowment

Feb 18: Fellowship – Whiskey Six