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OPENING

Time: 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance Invocation: David Eardley

GUESTS

Mike Hollerbach (online), Sandy MacMechan, and Ryan Berns

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Judy Masserang (2/2)

ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin Cox, 3 years. Kim Towar, 32 years. Mark Zmyslowski, 38 years, Ted Hadgis 46 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Tom Youngblood

- -- Heather Mayernik, with her community college experience, recently counseled three young adults who were referred by Scott Matthews. Rotary at work.
- -- Tom has previously talked to the Club about the option to appeal your home's assessment and says the opportunity to appeal is available in March.
- -- Jessica Keyser has been selected as a representative for our state at the Voices for Libraries event running from 3/5 to 3/7 in Washington, D.C. Congratulations.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Jackie Dale

-- No individual news so Jackie promoted two lifesaving events that she recently attended: (1) Narcan training, where she learned of the drug's importance and how easy it is administer (nasal spray) and have available. (2) A medical disposal kiosk was unveiled at the GP Wood Community Center, bringing an

inexpensive and readily available way to dispose of unneeded medications.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- -- The GP South Interact Club is looking for Rotarians to join them at a volunteer opportunity with Motor City Mitten Mission from 10:00am to Noon on 2/3. For details or to set up carpooling, please contact Jackie Dale.
- -- Plenty of Club members have stepped up to help feed the homeless at GP United Methodist Church on 2/5. If there are any questions, please reach out to Dave Colton.
- -- The next food drive for The Second Mile Center at GP Memorial Church will be on 3/9.
 -- Kids Against Hunger will take place on 3/23 at the War Memorial. Details will be in Judy's Monday email.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- -- District 6400 needs volunteers to help with RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) on 4/19 to 4/21. www.rotary6400.org.
- -- Our District Conference will take place from 5/3 to 5/5 at the Amway Grand in Grand Rapids. To register, go to www.rotary6400.org.
- -- The next fellowship event is on 2/21 at Antonio's in GP Park. RSVP to Cissie Cappola.
- -- Lunch Bunch: Noon on Friday at Alma's Kitchen. Contact Mike Carmody to RSVP.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Cissie Cappola: New Member Presentation

John Mozena introduced Cissie and provided us with a brief background. She was born and

raised in GP Farms, spent some time as a ski bum in Colorado, lived in the Chicago area for 45 years, and came back to live in Grosse Pointe for the last four.

Cissie shared the impact of a stroke she experienced in September 2021. While having drinks with friends she started speaking gibberish and was immediately taken to the hospital. Fortunately, she was able to receive the TPA IV, but it still took her days to have limited speech. After two weeks of rehab, with her ability to speak being the most difficult to return, she was sent home. A urinary tract infection, with symptoms similar to her stroke, put Cissie back in the hospital for 4 weeks, where she eventually had a pacemaker installed.

These health issues led to some despair, before Cissie finally accepted what happened and decided to take action and focus on hope. A byproduct of this was her desire to become involved and, with a suggestion from Roger Hull in 12/21, our club (to its benefit) became a beneficiary of this commitment.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$117 in the pot. Dave Colton bought the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker.

CALENDAR

Feb 07: Steve Tengler: The SET Fund: Rebuilding Michigan – one scholarship at a time.

Feb 14: Nicole & Bob Deem: PTSD