

## OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Steve Brownell

## GUESTS

Terry Minnis, guest of John Minnis.

Patty Sunisloe and Sue Banner from Full Circle. Mary Fodell. Vicky Ross.

Deanna Andrososki.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

Dennis Hyduk, GP Sunrise.

## BIRTHDAYS

Carolyn Graham (1/9) and Tom

Youngblood (1/10)

## ANNIVERSARIES

Cissie Cappola, 1 year.

## ROVING REPORTER

John Mozena

-- Rotary Int'l news. The organization is partnering with the Gates Foundation, again, committing a combined \$450 million dollars to fight polio. It won the *Top Float Under 35 Feet Award* at this year's Rose Bowl Parade.

-- Kim Towar is proud to announce the 75<sup>th</sup> edition of the GP Little Blue Book will be delivered next week. Congratulations!

-- Good luck to Steve Cornillie, who is starting a new job with the national gas operations team at DTE.

-- Julie Jorgensen had a busy holiday season, which included ER visits, a son graduating from CMU, and moving from the Park to SCS.

-- Ted Coutilish is adding to his list of responsibilities by joining the Board of the GP Alumni & Friends.

-- Dino Valente took the initiative to improve our Rotary bell so that it now includes all of the past Club

presidents' names (size constraints had it stopped at 1967).

-- Congratulations to John Mozena, who has (soft) retired after 53 years of designing and installing kitchens.

-- Congratulations to Carla, our Village Grill server, who welcomed her grandson, Mark, over the holiday.

## OIL CAN

-- Neil Sroka passed it to Kim Towar for the great job she did putting together our holiday dinner at Watermark. Thank you Kim.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

Jackie Dale

-- Florence Seltzer was hoping to reduce her need to be on oxygen, but it's still set at 24 hours. Please keep her in your thoughts.

-- Dick Allison has just about recovered from hip surgery. He is still limping a bit but is all set to go out with his hiking group.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Steve Cornillie announced that we raised \$1,420 for Adopt a Family for the Holidays. Gifts were purchased, wrapped, and delivered and the family was very appreciative.

-- Upcoming events. (1) Food Drive for Second Mile from 10:00am – 11:00am, on 1/14, at GP Memorial Church. (A list of items in need were included in Judy's Monday email) (2) Michigan Humane Society Telethon in Bingham Farms on 2/9. (3) Kids Against Hunger at the War Memorial on 3/18. Details to follow.

-- There is a community service committee meeting on 1/21. Contact Bob Lucas if you would like to attend.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Euchre following the meeting on 1/11. Let Bill Roche know if you're able to play.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Alicia Carlisle -- Michael B's Café. The idea behind Michael B's is to form a new non-profit in Grosse Pointe Park where special needs adults can work, including Ms. Carlisle's son, Michael, who has Autism. It will be located on Mack Ave., next to the Cabbage Patch saloon.

The Café will serve ethically sourced coffee that will benefit the communities where the coffee is grown and will have a second floor with event space. They are looking to partner with other non-profits to thrive. One example of this is Full Circle's garden will provide vegetables to be prepared.

The goal is to raise \$3 million, break ground this June, and to complete the building within one year. They have fundraising events coming up in the next few months, with the help of the GP Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Carlisle is looking for financial support but also needs the community to embrace the concept. [www.michaelbcafe.com](http://www.michaelbcafe.com).

## FLOWER RAFFLE

\$634 in the pot. President Mark Cory purchased the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker.

## CALENDAR

Jan 11: Matthew Lambrecht – Detroit Border Patrol

Jan 18: Nadia Nijimbere – founder/owner/chef of Baobab Restaurant in Detroit