

OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance: President Liz
Invocation: John Mozena

GUESTS

Eva Finkelmeier, daughter of Johann Finkelmeier, Molly MacKethan, spouse of Phil MacKethan, Julie Jorgensen, and Stephen Cornille.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Heather Mayernik (7/15) and
Florence Seltzer (7/21).

ANNIVERSARIES

Lisa Gandelot, 7 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Tom Youngblood
-- Jackie Dale's daughter, Anna, a 2018 GPS graduate and a Finnish exchange student, is studying to be a marine biologist in Halifax, Nova Scotia.
-- Julie Baumer now has a cat, named Frederick, to keep her very large dog, Bruce, company. They are getting along well.

OIL CAN

-- Richard Yeager-Stiver passed it to Bob Lucas for his work as president during a very unusual year where, for the most part, he ran weekly meetings via the internet sitting in a room by himself.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

-- Doris Neal Van-Tiem will be having a community affairs committee meeting following the picnic on 7/21 to assign and confirm a few service champions for the upcoming year. All are welcome.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- Steve McMillan is in remission. Great news!
-- Murray Davis is feeling good and the hope is for him to soon have the same great news as Steve.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The fellowship picnic and Passing of the Gavel is next Wednesday, 7/21, at Neff Park. 56 Rotarians and guest have signed up!
-- The McNeill Raffle is back! Ticket packets will be handed out August 18 with a drawing date of October 20. (Raffle details to follow).

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Sierra Donaven – How she arrived in Grosse Pointe Farms and Became a Rotarian.

Sierra is continuing fulfillment of God's purpose for her life, marked by a long history of public and community service. She sees Rotary as a way to collectively share our good beyond where we have been and where we are now.

Sierra's father died when she was 4 years old and her mother suffered from alcoholism. She attended 7 Detroit elementary schools before a police officer took her and her siblings out of abandonment, hunger, and despair. She was placed at Childrens Village in Oxford, MI, a safe haven that she called home.

Being introduced to John Delorean at a young age, he was a father figure and had a tremendous impact on her life. She saw him, again, when she was an ATF agent, and still felt that same father-daughter relationship.

Sierra had her own legal battle, fighting an investigation and federal prosecution brought about by the abusive actions of a Federal agent. She was ultimately vindicated.

Sierra felt a need to live in Grosse Pointe and found the perfect house in the Farms. She hit the ground running, receiving a beautification award, serving on the beautification committee, and having a seat on the City Council.

Before joining Rotary, Sierra knew nothing about the organization and our Club but she knew plenty of GP Rotarians. She believes that each person was a marker/sign that God was directing her on a magical journey to Service Above Self. Once you believe, the signs are everywhere.

CALENDAR

Jul 21: Fellowship Picnic & Passing of the Gavel at Neff Park

Jul 28: Dr. Lerrylyn Nelson, PhD – Inventing out of Necessity