

## OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: President Bob

Invocation: Susan Mozena

## GUESTS

None.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

John Maliszewski. John Brooks,  
Naples Fla.

**BIRTHDAYS** Bill Rice (7/15),  
Heather Mayernik (7/15, and  
Florence Seltzer (7/20).

## ANNIVERSARIES

Liz Vogel, 6 years (9 years total).  
Lisa Gandelot, 5 years (19 years  
total). Steve Brownell, 10 years.

## ROVING REPORTER

Doris Neal Van Tiem

– Alex Turnbull, Bob Lucas’s step-  
granddaughter, will be attending  
college at The Hague in the  
Netherlands.

-- George McMullen is making  
early preparations for his mom’s  
95<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

-- Karen Kendricks-Hands, the co-  
founder of the Environmental  
Sustainability Rotarian Action  
Group, will be hosting a July 20<sup>th</sup>  
zoom meeting about project ideas.

To register, go to  
[www.esrag.zoo.us](http://www.esrag.zoo.us).

-- Only three days until Jackie  
Gleason’s wedding. Doris has  
previewed the dress and says it’s  
fantastic.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

-- No report. George McMullen is  
taking on the role as the online  
committee chair and reported that  
Florence Seltzer is doing well and is  
looking forward to in-person  
meetings.

## OIL CAN

-- Bill Scott, holding a Kendall Oil  
bottle as a prop, presented the oil  
can to Ted Coutilish for taking a  
leadership role and being a very  
active new Rotarian.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE** -- No  
news.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- District 6400 will be hosting an  
eradicate polio fundraising event  
called Sky Dive for Polio on August  
15<sup>th</sup> in Jackson, MI. To learn more,  
go to [www.rotary6400.org](http://www.rotary6400.org).

-- A communications survey will  
soon be going out to the  
membership. Please make sure to  
complete and return.

## TODAY’S PROGRAM

Ted Coutilish – Red Badge  
Vocational Talk.

Ted first thanked all who have  
supported him as a new Rotarian –  
Ted Everingham, Mike Carmody,  
Mark Weber, Judy Masserang, and  
Phil MacKethan.

Ted was born in Detroit and has  
lived most of his life in Grosse  
Pointe. Growing up, he wanted to  
be Oscar Madison (the sports  
reporting part, not the messy part)  
and was able to make that happen.  
First, as a sports reporter for the GP  
North newspaper, and then as  
career. He has been able to  
interview many sports stars,  
including Michael Jordan and  
Magic Johnson.

Seeing the JOA being implemented  
with the Detroit newspapers in the  
late 1980s, Ted decided to leave  
journalism. Subsequently, he has

been the communications director  
for U of D Mercy, Oakland U,  
Wayne State, EMU, and Oakland  
Community College.

Ted’s life took a drastic turn when  
his son was diagnosed with Fragile  
X syndrome. This is a genetic  
disease that has left him non-verbal  
with many health issues. As a  
result, Ted has given up all of his  
hobbies and has since devoted all of  
his time working with his son and  
those with special needs.

He has been (and is) on the boards  
of organizations such as the Fragile  
X Association and Fraxa and has  
been the communications director  
for both. He has written 38 feature  
stories on Fragile X researchers  
who are looking for cures or  
treatments to scale back the  
disease’s impact.

Ted is the Executive Director (and  
communications director – a  
constant with whatever role he takes  
on) for The Full Circle Foundation.  
[www.fullcircledfn.org](http://www.fullcircledfn.org).

## CALENDAR

Jul 22: Turning Point – Domestic  
Violence

Jul 29: Peggy Hayes – Executive  
Director, the Helm Life Center

Aug 05: Karen Kendrick-Hands –  
ESRAG (see RR notes)