

## OPENING

Time: 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation: David Eardley

## GUESTS

Frank Pallazzolo and Jeremy Tick.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

## BIRTHDAYS

Paul Rentenbach (6/30), Joe LaVere (7/1), Steve McMillan (7/3), Dio Rockers (7/7), Dino Valente (7/7), Heather Mayernik (7/15), and Todd Litton (7/19)

## ANNIVERSARIES

Lisa Gandelot, 11 years. David Eardley, 18 years (3 with our Club).

## ROVING REPORTER

Vince Van Tiem

-- Diane and Ron Strickler, along with 10 other family members, took another memorable trip, this time a cruise on the Danube River.

-- Mark your calendars for the Club's garage sale from 814 to 8/17. Many volunteers are needed to donate items, provide baked goods to be sold (championed by Diane Strickler), and most importantly, helping at the garage sale itself.

-- The Family Center is partnering with Corewell Health to host an immunization day on 7/28 at the hospital's clinic located at Harper Woods High School.

## OIL CAN

Postponed.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers:

-- Tom Youngblood, whose sister-in-law, Mary Jo Youngblood, passed away on 7/3.

## ROTARY BUSINESS

-- The next board meeting will take place at 5:00pm on 7/19 via Zoom. Please contact President Jackie if you would like to attend.  
-- The 2025-26 Club directories available to be picked up at the meetings.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Dawn Drozd

-- The next volunteer event is to help check-in or direct patrons at the War Memorial's *Shakespeare on the Rocks* from 6:30pm - 8:30pm on 8/14.

-- All community service opportunities will be on the Club's website calendar, where members can register to volunteer online.

-- To help promote the Club, Dawn is encouraging everyone to wear any Rotary apparel they own while volunteering.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Next week's speaker will be Veloris Alexander, the founder of RedeemHer, an organization dedicated to empowering women and girls from marginalized communities on their paths to redemption from significant challenges, such as poverty, abuse and addiction.

-- The Club now has one location to store all of the Rotary "stuff" it has accumulated over the years. If anyone has items in their possession that should be stored, please contact Dave Colton.

-- No Lunch Bunch this Friday.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Kelly Larson, President, and LaKeytria Felder, Policy Director of the Alliance for Grosse Pointe Public Schools.,

The organization was formed in 2023 in response to the division and turmoil that was afflicting the GPPSS community with a hope to build bridges by informing the community, promoting civic engagement, and encouraging civil discourse. Its mission is to seek to partner with the Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods communities in the collective effort to create a safe and inclusive learning environment where students can achieve academic success, maximize potential, and become engaged citizens in a vibrant democracy.

The Alliance informs the community through a monthly newsletter, a YouTube channel, and social media campaigns. Its focus is on students, supporting educators, advocating for transparency and accountability, and encouraging civic engagement and action. To learn more, go to [www.alliancegpps.org](http://www.alliancegpps.org)

## MEETING RAFFLE

\$104 in the pot. Barb Carlier purchased the winning ticket but was unable to pick the joker.

## CALENDAR

Jul 23: Veloris Alexander – RedeemHer

Jul 30: Barb Davis – GP Historical Society (The early days of Grosse Pointe)