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OPENING

Time: 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance: Invocation: Eva Habib

GUESTS

Lisa Gage, spouse of our speaker. Carrie Maliszewski, spouse of John Maliszewski. Johann Finkelmeier's daughter, Eva.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Bill Scott (7/31).

ANNIVERSARIES

None.

ROVING REPORTER

Vince Van Tiem

- -- Neil Sroka and family visited family in Chicago, where they met up with his niece and nephew who live in the Czech Republic.
- -- Frances, the Club's first daughter is attending the ULS Summer Camp and her "country" just won the Camp Olympics.

OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Jackie Dale

-- Murray Davis's pacemaker was successfully implanted last Monday but he has not been enjoying the painful recovery process. Please keep him in your thoughts.

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

-- John Drozd is retired from a bakery sales position with Dawn Foods. Dawn Drozd will soon be retiring from her own company, ClearVision, Inc, which provides business coaching. John and Dawn recently moved to Harper Woods and are looking forward to becoming involved in the community. Please make them feel welcome.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- -- The Second Mile Center needs some last-minute help for their Fun Day from 11:30am-4:00pm on 8/5. Please reach out to Ryan Berns (313) 929-3151 to volunteer.
- -- The Kids On The Go Ice Cream Social on 8/8 can always use more volunteers. Please contact Steve Cornillie if you would like to help.
- -- The Club will be holding a garage sale from 8/16 to 8/18 at Dino Valente's home (26339 Jefferson SCS). Smaller donations can be brought to our next two meetings with your name and an approximate garage sale price. Volunteers are needed to prep Dino's garage on 8/3 from 2:00pm-5:00.pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- -- The Club Foundation presented a check to Donna Hill of SAVeD, a dog rescue organization, who spoke to our Club in June.
- -- Dave Colton has Rotary lawn signs to distribute. Please contact him to pick one up or take one at an upcoming meeting.
- -- Lunch Bunch: Noon on Friday at Alma Kitchen.
- -- Via the Dearborn Rotary Club, our Club is being asked to help two political refugees from Chad (one is working at Corewell Grosse Pointe). If you are able to offer assistance for one to resume a career in medicine and the other a career in accounting, please contact Jackie Dale.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Lance Parrish and Tom Gage, authors of *The Enchanted Season*. The inside story of the Detroit Tigers unforgettable 1984 season.

Lance Parrish was drafted in the 1st round by the Detroit Tigers in 1974 and played in major leagues from them from 1977 to 1986. Tom Gage was a former beat writer for the Detroit News from 1976 to 2015. This is Mr. Gage's fourth book.

Mr. Parrish entertained the Club for 45 minutes with stories about being drafted and his career with the Tigers. We learned that:- Being drafted in 1974 is much different than being drafted today. His bonus was \$67,000 and his police officer dad was his "agent".

- Being a righthanded hitting catcher his whole life, the team tried to make him a switch-hitting third baseman.
- Jack Morris was as difficult to deal with as he was portrayed in the media.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$518 in the pot. Bob Lucas purchased the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker. Through ticket draws, Sandy MacMechan won a Lance Parrish autographed baseball and Judy Masserang an autographed Lance Parrish baseball card.

CALENDAR

Aug 07: Bill Jasman -- Ghana By The Numbers.

Aug 14: Sherry Searcy – The Bryant Searcy Scholarship Foundation