VOLUME 86 * * * May 10, 2023 * * * Cory #37

OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM Pledge of Allegiance Invocation: David Eardley

GUESTS

None.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Lina Bowman (5/14).

ANNIVERSARIES

Richard Yeager-Stiver, 14 years. Bob Lucas, 9 years. Jim Fikany, 26 years. Beth Konrad-Wilberding, 2 years. Bill Roche, 7 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Mark Weber

-- No member news so Mark enlightened us to a few unusual fundraising events conducted by Rotary Clubs around the U.S.

OIL CAN

Postponed.

SUNSHINE NEWS

No news.

CLUB PR INTERN

- -- Ted Coutilish, (and the Club) acknowledged the great work of Anna Gulyas this past year, where she made everything look effortless. Thank you Anna!
- -- Ted also introduced us to next year's Intern, Isabella Haindl. Anna helped select Isabella, who is class president, with a GPA well above 4.0.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Food Drive at GP Memorial Church on 5/13 between 10:00am and 11:00am. There is a great need for food and household items so please buy extra groceries and stop by the church parking lot.

- -- Second Mile Center spring cleanup. This will take place from 9:00am-11:00am on 5/20. Any questions, contact Scott Matthews. -- Volunteers will be needed to help register at the MI Humane Mutt March as the Ford House from
- 8:00am to Noon on 6/3. Contact Bob Lucas if you would like to volunteer.

ROTARY INT'L FOUNDATION

-- The District Conference took place this past weekend in Windsor where Kim Towar, (and other Club members) learned about club projects that were made possible by donations to the Foundation. This included the building of 54 wells in Ghana. A one-time donation or systematic donations can be made at www.rotary.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- -- Euchre Night following the meeting.
- -- Fellowship Dinner at Gilbert's Lodge in St. Clair Shores. RSVP by email to Jessica Keyser.
- -- The scholarship committee interviewed the students on 5/8 and Mark Weber says they were impressive.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Mary Butler-Moore, Community Engagement Coordinator for Forgotten Harvest

Forgotten Harvest's mission is to relieve hunger and prevent nutritious food waste in Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties. It envisions communities that work together to end hunger and increase individual, neighborhood, economic, and environmental health.

The organization was formed in 1990 and now operates 50 refrigerated trucks out of a 77,000 square foot facility with 16 truck bays and has 200 emergency food providers that distribute the food to those in need. The service they provide is much needed as 40% of the food (78 billion pounds) in the U.S. is wasted annually and there is an estimated 38.3 million people experiencing food insecurity.

Ms. Butler-Moore fell in love with the organization's work after volunteering at the Forgotten Harvest Farm in 2017 where she learned the "why" and "for whom" the work was being done. Volunteers at the warehouse, farm, and pantries are its lifeblood.

www.forgottenharvest.org

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$116 in the pot. Tom Mercer purchased the winning ticket but was unable to find the joker.

CALENDAR

May 17: Fellowship Dinner (no meeting) at Gilbert's Lodge in Saint Clair Shores

May 24: Scholarship Night – Presentation of Scholarships

May 31: No meeting