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OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Steve Brownell

GUESTS

Lydia Ruppenthal

VISITING ROTARIANS

Bob Ziolkowski and Martha Hnatiuk, Dearborn.

BIRTHDAYS

Mark Wilson (11/16)

ANNIVERSARIES

Dave Colton, 1 year. Doris Neal-Van Tiem, 4 years. Heather Mayernik, 4 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Tom Youngblood

- -- Congratulations to Ted Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan, who are celebrating their 26th wedding anniversary.
- -- Kudos to John Minnis for including pictures from our Passing of the Gavel in the most recent Grosse Pointe Magazine.
- -- Roger and Jean Hull are travelling to Brooklyn, NY to celebrate Thanksgiving with their daughter and grandchild. A Lions-Giants game is a possibility.
- -- Congratulations to Rebecca Fannon's son, Nick, a defensive lineman for the 9-1 Albion College football team, who was named 1st team all-league.

OIL CAN

-- Steve McMillan passed it to Neil Sroka for reminding him of his time as a newer Rotarian, taking their children to the District Conference, and for being a future leader.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

- -- Florence Seltzer, who has had a couple of extended hospital stays.
- -- Gary Niehaus, who is still battling a virus, and will be consulting an infectious disease specialist.
- -- Dave Colton, whose pain was diagnosed as a pinched nerve, and will be starting rehab soon.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- -- Thank you to all who contributed to the food drive on 11/12.
- -- 11 Rotarians have signed up to provide cooked turkeys for Crossroads on 11/18 and 11/19. Contact Eva Habib for more information.

PAUL HARRIS PINS

Paul Harris pins were presented to Dino Valente (+3), Judy Masserang (+1), and David Eardley (+2), for their continued donations to the RI Foundation. Congratulations!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- -- The Dearborn Club's Centennial Celebration will take place on 3/18/23 and the evening has some great entertainment lined up. To sponsor or purchase tickets, go to www.dearbornrotary.org. Funds are being raised to renovate the Henry Ford Centennial Library.
- -- The ballot for the Club Board and Foundation Boards has been emailed. Please take the time to vote before the 12/7 election date.
- -- Club Holiday Soiree on 12/14. Invitations have been mailed out so please RSVP and mail in your payment as soon as possible.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Michael Spence, Administrator, Government Affairs at Southeast Michigan Council of Government (SEMCOG). SEMCOG is made up of a 7-county region (www.semcog.org) whose purpose is to support coordinated local planning with technical, data, and intergovernmental resources. It coordinates local projects and provides funding from the federal and state governments, with transportation, economic development, the environment, and infrastructure as the main areas of focus.

These areas, which are mapped out for the next five years, have benefited the Grosse Pointes. Over \$1 million has been allocated for road repairs on Cadieux and Kercheval. SEMCOG also studies traffic safety through crash location maps and safe routes to schools, which has included Maire. For our infrastructure, it has miles of pipe data of water, sanitary, and stormwater usage to better prepare for flooding and is working with an organization through a coastal zone management grant, to help fix our shoreline. Resource tools are available for local economic development with an emphasis on electric vehicles and broadband availability.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$514 in the pot. Eva Habib purchased the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker.

CALENDAR

Nov 23: No meeting

Nov 30: Phil Gilchrist – Executive Director, Anton Art Center, Mt. Clemens.