

OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Invocation: Steve Brownell

GUESTS

Barb Peberdy. Nancy Gandelot.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

None.

ANNIVERSARIES

Doris Neal-Van Tiem, 3 years.
 Heather Mayernik, 3 year.

ROVING REPORTER

Susan Mozena (Thanksgiving Edition)
 -- Irena Politano expresses her thanks in locating the oldest graduate of the Grosse Pointe School District. Vince Van Tiem's father, Thomas, a 1949 GP High graduate, will be riding in a Model T in the GP Santa Claus Parade.
 -- Susan noted that celebrating Thanksgiving during a pandemic, even if much better than a year ago, can be difficult. This is why she plans on pausing to be thankful next week by jotting down a daily gratitude in a diary and reaching out to one person a day, just to touch base. She recommends that we all consider doing the same.

OIL CAN

-- Michael Newman passed it to Paul Rentenbach for being a great Rotary role model and being there to answer his questions as his mentor.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Steve McMillan
 -- Florence Seltzer is in the hospital fighting Covid, but is in good spirits,

and hopes to be home later this week. Please keep her in your prayers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Crossroads Turkey Drop Off. 2pm-8pm on 11/19 and 8am-5pm on 11/20 at 1025 Bishop Road in the Park, the home of Sean and Carly Cassleman. Turkeys are to be dropped off in a cooler on the front porch so please call 313-378-5150 or 313-598-0799 to let them know when you will be stopping by. Prep work needed: cook the turkey thoroughly, cutting the meat off the bones, leaving the drumsticks and wings whole, and putting all into plastic Zip Lock bags.
 -- Food Drive to support Second Mile Center. Items can be brought to the GP Memorial Church parking lot on 12/4 from 10-11 am. Please make sure your donations are not past their expiration dates.
 -- GP Memorial Church will be meeting at Crossroads on Sunday, 12/12, beginning at 9:30 am to prepare and serve bag lunches. Volunteers will be needed. Details to follow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Everyone should have received an email ballot for President Nominee and the Club and Foundation Boards. A reminder email will be sent out soon.
 -- Mark your calendars for our holiday get-together, beginning at 5:30 pm on 12/15 at Cellar 313.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Rufus McGaugh – teacher (primarily Brownell Middle School), world traveler, author. Over 49 years, Rufus has travelled to all 252 countries in the world. When he retired early from teaching in 2012, he discovered he was only 42 countries short of reaching this mark, so he set out to complete his list.

The final country was Libya, which he was able to visit in 2017.

In planning for his trips, Rufus divided the countries into three groups: physically challenging, like climbing the base of Mt. Everest in Nepal; politically difficult (dangerous); and expensive, which included south Pacific locations. Three of the most dangerous were Burundi, which is very repressed; Iraq, which he visited during the war; and Chad, which allowed very few Americans into the country.

Rufus is the author of three books that describe his travels with humor: *Longitude and Latitude, with Attitude: One Man's Quest to See the Entire World; Joyriding with a Terrorist in Yemen: and other Travel Tales;* and *Drowning in all Seven Continents.* He also continues to give presentations, with pictures, at all three middle schools

CALENDAR

- Nov 24: No meeting – Happy Thanksgiving!
- Dec 01: Joella Bush – Executive Director, Gianna House
- Dec 08: Beth Konrad-Wilberding – Fake News & How to Tell Real News
- Dec 15: Holiday Get-Together: Cellar 313