

OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Susan Mozena

GUESTS

None.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

None.

ANNIVERSARIES

None.

ROVING REPORTER

John Mozena

-- Ted Everingham was the opening narrator and had three roles in WJR's annual production of War of the Worlds.

-- Judy Masserang ran into Betsy Creedon, the widow of GP Rotarian, Gaylord Creedon, and learned that she recently travelled to Rome to visit her son, a state department employee.

-- Irena Politano's son, Armani, will be racing in a Nascar Truck Series race this Friday and it will be on FS1.

-- Steve Brownell is a proud first-time grandfather. George Robert Brownell was born on 10/26. Congratulations!

OIL CAN

Rebecca Fannon passed it to Diane Strickler for being her first friend in Grosse Pointe when she moved here 20 years ago and for continuing to be an inspiration.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- Longtime Rotarian, George Shammass, passed away at the age of 91. Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

-- Julie Baumer, who is seeing a cardiologist for a heart condition.

-- Michael Gandelot, the son of Jon and Lisa Gandelot, who was hit by a car while biking. He is recovering from serious cuts/abrasions.

-- Bill Roche, who is having knee surgery.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- November volunteer opportunities:
11/12: A Second Mile Center food drive at GP Memorial Church.

11/20: Preparing turkeys to be distributed by Crossroads. Any questions, please contact Eva Habib.

11/25: GP Santa Parade Marshalling.
-- The Club will be "adopting" a family for the holidays. Details tbd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Bring a Guest Challenge. The goal is 70 and we are currently at 5. The guest doesn't have to be a potential member and it can just be a way to get the word out about Rotary.

-- The McNeill Raffle netted around \$20,000! Thank you to all who sold tickets, especially our top sellers.

-- The progressive dinner is on 11/5. Any questions about the evening, please contact Jackie Dale or Heather Mayernik.

-- Euchre will take place following next week's meeting. Contact Dave Colton if you would like to play.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Lauren Feldman, COO of the Grosse Pte Animal Adoption Society

The GPAAS was formed in 1991, became a 501(c)(3) in 1996, and had its first brick and mortar shelter in 2012. Their current location, at 20542 Harper Ave., has dog runs, a connected dog park, and cat suites.

The organization brings in 800 stray and injured animals a year. This doesn't include animals that are safe

harbored from crime scenes or due to neglect. 30% of the strays, which they must legally hold for 5 business days, are returned to their homes.

Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods public safety departments do not have animal control officers and rely on a staff of 4 at GPAAS to assist them. The GPAAS used to help other local cities, but the need has become too great and had to limit it to GP and HW.

As of 10/24, they had 48 canines and 48 felines in its care. Feeding them requires 168 cans of wet dog food, 420 pounds of dry dog food, 11 bags of dry cat food, and 336 cans of wet cat food a week. Its funding comes from adoption fees and donations, and it also relies heavily on volunteers to walk the dogs, play, and socialize with the animals, and even help with the laundry. www.gpaas.org.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$398 in the pot and Doris Neal-Van Tiem held the winning ticket but was not able to pick the joker. The pot rolls over.

CALENDAR

Nov 09: Don Riddell PDG of District 6380 and Past President of our Club

Nov 16: Michael Spence, Southeast Michigan Council of Government