

**OPENING**

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

**GUESTS**

Frances Sroka, daughter of Neil Sroka. Beverly Curtiss, guest of Cissie Cappola

**VISITING ROTARIANS**

John Brooks, North Naples.

**BIRTHDAYS**

John Mozena (10/21). Liz Vogel (10/22). John Brooks (10/19).

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Jessica Keyser, 7 years.

**ROVING REPORTER**

Johann Finkelmeier  
 -- Neil Sroka ran in his first (and last?) marathon this past Sunday, seeing many different parts of Detroit (and Canada) in 4 hours and 32 minutes. Congratulations!  
 -- Dave Colton and Kim Towar enjoyed a week of wining and dining in Myrtle Beach.

**OIL CAN**

Suzanne Klein passed it to Liz Vogel for her leadership within the Club, as past-president, and outside the Club, taking on the job of Traverse City City Manager.

**SUNSHINE NEWS**

No news.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

-- The GP Memorial Church food drive for the Second Mile Center is from 10:00am to 11:00am on 11/11.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-- The McNeill Raffle drawing date of 11/15 is fast approaching so

please sell as many tickets as possible. Looking for a minimum of 5 from every member.

-- J. McLaughlin in the Village is hosting Sip, Shop & Celebrate Fall from 2-6pm on 10/25, where 15% of the sales will benefit Rotary's fight against polio. Please stop by.  
 -- District 6400 is looking to re-vamp the youth exchange program and our Club is trying to gauge interest, especially in locating host families. If interested (or if you know someone who would be), please contact Dave Colton.  
 -- The Lunch Bunch meets every Friday at noon at Almas in GP Park.  
 -- The speaker for our 10/25 meeting will be Russ Jones, our District Governor.

**TODAY'S PROGRAM**

Dr. Steve Kahn, PhD – Math Corps.

Dr. Kahn has been a professor at Wayne State for 40 years and, during that time, has volunteered to help the youth of Detroit. It started with the Urban League, continued on as a volunteer math teacher for troubled teen boys, and eventually led to the formation of Math Corps in 1992.

The mission of the Math Corps is to empower and inspire children from under-served communities – through the teaching of mathematics and the fostering of self-worth, strong values and a sense of family – to build good lives for themselves and a more just society for all. The six-week summer camp is its centerpiece and serves students in grades 7-12. During camp, these students come together with college students and mathematicians in a university setting to share in the

learning of mathematics. Students learn from older students who serve as role models, and they teach younger students who look up to them in the same way. Most importantly, the Math Corps offers students a vision of the world that begins with the message of “Be Yourself” – as there is greatness within! It builds a sense of family and community based on the values of kindness and integrity.

Dr. Kahn's talk primarily focused on the incredible (and terrifying) obstacles that many of the Math Corp students must overcome. The program's focus is less on math and more on kindness and acceptance, with the students supporting each other.

Math Corp is able to boast that 95% of its students graduate high school and 90% go on to attend college. This past summer, over 400 students participated on the WSU campus and the program has expanded to 8 other cities around the country. [www.mathcorps.org](http://www.mathcorps.org)

**FLOWER RAFFLE**

\$163 in the pot. Dave Colton bought the winning ticket but was unable to find the joker.

**CALENDAR**

Oct 25: Russ Jones – District Governor Visit.

Nov 01: Jessica Keyser & Lexi Smith – “Appy Hour” with the GP Public Library

Nov 08: Mark Higbie – Michigan Central Station Art Program