

## OPENING

Time: 6:00  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation: Eva Habib

## GUESTS

Amanda DeVeaux, guest of Steve Cornillie. Ryan Berns.

## VISITING ROTARIANS

John Brooks, North Naples.

## BIRTHDAYS

Diane Strickler (10/27) and Frank Wilberding (10/30).

## ANNIVERSARIES

Renee Miller, 1 year. Joe LaVere, 3 years.

## ROVING REPORTER

Mark Weber  
-- Tom Youngblood's office, Real Estate One, will be moving to the corner of Fischer and Kercheval.  
-- The GP Library Central Branch will have a soft re-opening on 10/31. There will be an official ribbon cutting celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 11/24.  
-- President Phil, Molly, and Judy Maserang enjoyed a trip up north and learned that the Suttons Bay Rotary Club also meets at the Village Grille (the Village Inn Grill)

## OIL CAN

Postponed.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

No news.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- The GP Memorial Church food drive for the Second Mile Center takes place from 10:00am to 11:00am on 11/11. The organization is in need of food and household

goods for the community it serves, so start stockpiling supplies.  
-- November events include preparing turkeys for Crossroads and marshalling the GP Santa Claus Parade. Details are being finalized.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The McNeill Raffle is on 11/15 and the hope is for all members to sell a minimum of 5 tickets. Please get your sold ticket stubs to Mark Brooks as soon as possible. Dio Rockers has small printed I support GP Rotary "receipts" available for any businesses that may purchase raffle tickets.  
-- Youth Exchange. The Club is starting the process to host a student next year and is looking for host families. If you know someone who would be interested, please contact Dave Colton.  
-- The Lunch Bunch meets every Friday at noon at Almas in GP Park. RSVP to Mike Carmody.  
-- Next week's speakers will be Jessica Keyser and Lexi Smith – "Appy Hour" with the GP Public Library  
-- Steve Cornillie received a nice thank you note to the Club from the South robotics club while manning the Rotary table before the North-South football game.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Russ Jones – District Governor

DG Jones, a member of the Plymouth Club since 2003, strongly believes in RI's theme for this year, *Create Hope in the World*. Every service project, no matter how mundane, creates hope in people that you may never meet and that it's the rotary moments", whether it's a meaningful project or just

having fun, that keeps one engaged and active. The creation of hope can come from just one person.

District 6400's theme is *Be The One*. DG Jones believes that everyone should take a leadership role, whether at the board or committee level.

Topics that are important to our District Governor are (1) the environment, where the District is pursuing a RI global grant to restore the Rouge River; (2) mental health, where there is a Rotary action group that addresses its stigma; and (3) human trafficking, where he supports attempts to eliminate it in all of its forms, whether domestic, agricultural, or child.

There is a District 6400 Foundation Dinner Celebration on 11/9 where past RI president Jennifer Jones will be a speaker. The District Conference will take place from 5/3 to 5/5 at the Amway Grand in Grand Rapids. As Kim Towar noted, the fellowship and knowledge obtained at a conference is where one becomes a Rotarian. Tickets for both can be purchased at [www.rotary6400.org](http://www.rotary6400.org).

## FLOWER RAFFLE

\$173 in the pot. Ron Vitale bought the winning ticket but was unable to find the joker.

## CALENDAR

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

Nov 08: Mark Higbie – Michigan Central Station Art Program