

## OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM,  
Invocation: John Mozena

## GUESTS

None

## VISITING ROTARIANS

John Brooks, Naples.

## BIRTHDAYS

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

## ANNIVERSARIES

Nina Gazel, 1 year. Joseph LaVere, 1 year.

## ROVING REPORTER

John Mozena

-- Unfortunately, Dick Dunlap is in home hospice. His family has been able to visit, and he is able to interact. Cards would be greatly appreciated. Please keep Dick and Connie in your prayers.

-- Paige and Gary Niehaus had to provide John with some Florida news to pass on that a cold front is lowering their temperature to under 80°. 😊 Both are doing well.

-- Irena Politano, as co-founder of the GP Alumni and Friends Association, is looking for the oldest living GP School District alumni. Contact her if you have a candidate.

-- Kim Towar is the proud great-grandmother of a baby boy, Raymond. Both granddaughter and child are doing well. Congratulations to both Kim and Dave Colton!

-- Vince Van Tiem and Doris Neal Van Tiem were unable to make the meeting due to a 7-minute legal drama they are filming, where Doris has a co-leading role. (Looking forward to seeing it).

## OIL CAN

-- Susan Mozena passed it to Mark Brooks for his Rotary heritage, with all his father, John, has done and his work on the McNeill Raffle and the weekly Rotarpointe.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

-- See Roving Reporter.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Pope Francis Center volunteer opportunity. On M-W-F, from 10/29 through 11/19, the Center is looking for bagel deliveries. They would be picked up at 9:00am at Einstein's in GP Woods and you can call ahead to confirm with Tom at (586) 243-0618. The bagels are to be dropped off with a staff member at the Center (438 St. Antoine) at the side door on Larned. If you have any questions? info@popefranciscenter.org or 313-964-2823. To volunteer, go to [https://volunteer.popefranciscenter.org/need/detail/?need\\_id=551841](https://volunteer.popefranciscenter.org/need/detail/?need_id=551841).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- McNeill Raffle Wrap-up. Thank you to all who participated. Over \$26,000 was raised! The largest seller was Jackie Dale with 41 (way to go Jackie!). President Liz sent out an e-mail congratulating all ticket sellers.

-- On 10/29, Gilda's Club will hold a feather bowling event at Cadieux Café in honor of George McMullen from 7pm-9pm. \$25 donation to attend. If any members attend, please take pictures, and let President Liz know how the event went.

-- Ted Everingham plays the part of Professor Pearson in WJR's War of the Worlds, tonight at 7:00pm.

-- Next week's speaker is new member Michael Newman. Please make sure to attend.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Lev Wood, GP Farms City Councilmember – Rain gardens in our community. What is a rain garden? It's an example of soft engineering (green infrastructure) that is designed with native plants to drink and clean stormwater to mitigate flooding through detention. An example of this can be found near the basketball court/paddle tennis area at the Farms Pier Park.

If you accept that the world's climate has changed, cities need to look at amending their zoning ordinances. With businesses closing and more people working from home, there is less need for parking spaces/land use which can be replaced with rain gardens. Developers should be rewarded to install green infrastructure during the site plan review process.

Being on the city council, Mr. Wood's goal is to be proactive in addressing flooding through hard engineering (cement) and soft engineering (soft gardens with pervious soil) which can slow the flow of water to the city's sewer systems.

## CALENDAR

Nov 03: Michael Newman – New Member Presentation  
Nov 10: Mallory Bower – Michigan Historic Preservation Network  
Nov 17: Service & Fellowship Opportunity  
Nov 24: No meeting