

VOLUME 87 * * * October 4, 2023 * * * MacKethan #10

OPENING

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

GUESTS

Beverly Curtiss, guest of Cissie Cappola. Todd Linton, guest of Bob Lucas. Sarah Colgrove, guest of Doris Neal-Van Tiem

VISITING ROTARIANS

John Brooks, North Naples.

BIRTHDAYS

Doug Horst (10/5), Chuck Gabel (10/5), Bill Roche (10/7), David Eardley (10/8), and Bob Lucas (10/9).

ANNIVERSARIES

None.

ROVING REPORTER

Doris Neal-Van Tiem -- Judy Masserang attended a book reading of *Made in Maine* by Shawn Henry, the wife of former GP Rotarian, Peter Henry. -- Happy 15th anniversary to Vince Van Tiem and Doris Neal-Van Tiem.

OIL CAN

Postponed.

SUNSHINE NEWS

No news.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Life Remodeled. Kudos to the 7 Rotarians who participated in the clean up at the old Dominican High School today.

-- Moross Greenway clean-up from 9:00am to Noon on 10/7. Meet at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Any questions, please contact Diane Strickler. -- GP Memorial Church food drive between 10:00am and 11:00am on 11/4.

-- There will be the annual Crossroads turkey prep and donation on 11/19. Details to follow.

MEMBERSHIP R & R

(Recruitment & Retention)
Mark Cory
-- There were 7 guests at the first
"Pick 6" meeting on 9/27! Look for selected meetings in the future.
-- Steve Cornillie will be manning a Rotary information table at the North-South football game. Help for this two-hour period would be appreciated.
-- Mark and his committee are receptive to any ideas to recruit and retain members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The Lunch Bunch meets every Friday at noon at Almas in GP Park. RSVP to Mike Carmody. -- 10/11 Fellowship event at Whiskey Six. If you have not already signed up and would like to attend, please RSVP to Cissie Cappola so the dinner can be properly staffed.

-- The 10/18 speaker will be Steven Kahn, the CEO of Math Corp.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Judy Florian – League of Women Voters

Proposition 2, which became part of the Michigan constitution in 2022, provides greater voting accessibility and security: First, all registered voters have a fundamental right to vote a secret ballot in all elections. This means that no law, rule, or regulations can be adopted to interfere with this. Second, the outcomes of all elections need to be certified, based on votes cast, by county and state canvassers.

Third, every city and township must offer early voting in statewide and federal elections. This must be open for at least eight hours/day on nine consecutive days at early voting stations (EVS), beginning on the second Saturday before the election and ending on the Sunday before.

Fourth, registered voters can request to be permanently placed on a list to receive absentee ballots before each election.

Fifth, having a photo ID is not required. If a voter has one, they must show it but, if not, they can vote by signing an affidavit.

Sixth, voters can track the status of their ballot and will be provided with an opportunity to correct any mistakes (i.e., no signature).

Seventh, clerks must distribute drop boxes for absentee ballots equitably throughout each city or township. <u>www.lwvgrossepointe.org</u>

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$150 in the pot. Vince Van Tiem bought the winning ticket but was unable to find the joker.

CALENDAR

Oct 11: Fellowship Event – Whiskey Six

Oct 18: Dr. Steve Kahn, PhD – Math Corp

Oct 25: Russ Jones – District Governor Visit.