

EDINA

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# THE BARKER

ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

## Feb. 27, 2014 Meeting Assignments

Greeters	Tom Ries & Mitch Robinson
Front Desk	Bob Stehlik
Invocation	Sandy Schley
Guest Introduction	Kurt Eckstrom
Barker	Mary Hustad
Program Host	Buzz Bainbridge
Thank the Speaker	Tim Murphy

**Program:** Dr. Rebecca Cogswell, "The Prevention and Treatment of Heart Failure"

**Menu:** Mexican trio or southwest chicken salad

### *In Review*

*Feb. 20, 2014*

#### **By Bob Stehlik**

We were brought to attention by the ring of the Rotary Bell by **President Steve Slyce** as Minneapolis entered into the biggest blizzard in years. Tournament time in Minnesota.

We were welcomed by **Chuck Rauenhorst, Marie Pribyl** and **John Buttolph**. At the front desk assisting **Audri Schwarz** was **Alan Mogck**. **Tom Ries** offered thoughts from Buddha before leading us into a prayer.

**Michael Eckert** made guest introductions including Chad Ruwe, guest of **Paul Mooty**; Jodie Jennings (daughter of **Joel Jennings**), guest of **Jean Morrison** and **Mary Hustad**; Sue Spalding (membership application approved by the Board on Feb. 20), guest of **Michael Stanzak**; Mike Ogle, guest of **Thom Winninger**; David Clynes, son and guest of **Bill Clynes**. We also had our two visiting exchange students, Giuliano Pini and Louis Casterot, guests of **Josh Sprague**. And Todd Bollig, Area Three Assistant District Governor (it's a three-year job), was visiting from the Eden Prairie Noon Club.

**President Steve** announced that former member **Gary Snyder** had passed away. Services will be on Saturday, March 1 (watch for RARE notice). **Doug Johnson** was in the audience after some days in the hospital. He is doing good.

## **A Note from the President**

I hope all of you are enjoying our long winter; my wife lives for the four seasons we have here in Minnesota. I myself would prefer to slip away to a warm-weather state for a couple of months and come back to an early spring. After this winter she may agree. That someday is a ways off but it is fun to dream.



I have been very happy to see the large turnouts at our weekly meetings. We had 25 guests attend our Bring a Prospective Member to Rotary meeting two weeks ago and a number have already returned for another look.

Jeremiah House was scheduled for last week but was cancelled because of the weather. Chair Mike Eckert delivered the food that he and John Buttolph had purchased for the staff to cook. The staff was very appreciative. Thanks Mike and John for your service.

Our two inbound exchange students, Giuliano and Louis, will be giving their country programs in March. They are both interested in seeing a Timberwolves and Wild game. If any of you have four tickets that you would like to donate, please let me know and I will line it up with both of them to go.

I was trying for perfect attendance as President this year but will be taking this week off; Club Treasurer Jennifer Bennerotte will be filling in for me.

Have a great week and I will be back to see all of you on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

—Steve

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Jennifer Garske, Club Administrator

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**Scott Neal**, representing the city, expressed a THANK YOU to Edina Rotary for the contribution of the clock tower to be installed in front of park building at Centennial Lakes Park, hopefully by June.

**Michael Stanzak** announced the Rotary evening at the Old Log Theater, "Almost Maine." Cocktails and appetizers are at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, curtain goes up at 7:30. Sign up on Rotary Club of Edina website.

**Doug Bailey** introduced our program: Chris Brooks, "First Things First, Protecting Kids and Families." Chris works full time on the faculty of North Central University. He teaches Youth and Community Development in the Center for Youth and Leadership. He is a values-driven leader who has provided leadership in the social/non-profit sector. He is a passionate advocate for economic justice and the well being of children, youth and families.

He spoke about today's youth culture. We are seeing youth culture earlier, called juvenile adolescent, and lasting longer, called adult adolescent. Kids in their twenties are still living at home, playing games, no plans. Kids need support from four areas for their development. Many aren't receiving any support, and that is why they create problems for society. His recommendation for parents with a kid that has disconnected is to find an area of activity that they like, even if the parent doesn't, to use that to connect. He said you have to go where the kid is, not where you are. Communication was most important, showing the kids that you care. Be involved. Leadership rises and falls on relationships and relationships are everything.

**Scott MacDonald** thanked Chris for his presentation, and **President Steve** rang the bell, bringing our meeting to a close and sending us into the blizzard.

## Volunteer for Rotary Rocks the Y

Rotarian Nate Wenner is still looking for volunteers for Rotary Rocks the Y. From 4 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, one Rotary member is needed to volunteer to go to the Y and assist the YMCA staff with the program. Right now, Nate is mainly looking for members who can **volunteer on March 11 and 12**. To sign up to volunteer for one of these dates, or with questions about the program, you can reach Nate Wenner at [NWenner@wipflihewins.com](mailto:NWenner@wipflihewins.com) or 952-548-3404. Thanks!

## Upcoming Events and Schedule

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| March 20 | <b>Evening at the theater</b> at Old Log Theater, "Almost Maine," 6:30 p.m. cocktails and appetizers, curtain is at 7:30 |
| April 8  | Joint meeting with EMRC at Edina Country Club, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.   |
| April 10 | No meeting   |
| April 24 | Vocational Ethics Day, Edina Country Club, 12:15 to 1:30 p.m.  |
| May 2    | <b>District 5950 Annual Conference</b> , Radisson Blu Hotel  |
| May 8    | <b>Vocational Day</b> , Minneapolis Media Institute, 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., hosted by Paul Peterson                         |
| June 1-4 | <b>Rotary International Convention</b> , Sydney, Australia   |
| June 19  | Transition Day meeting   |
| June 25  | <b>Annual Rotary Picnic</b>  |
| June 26  | No meeting   |

**Blue** is for special Rotary Club of Edina events.  
**Purple** is for District 5950 events.  
**Orange** is for Rotary International events.

## Proposed for Membership

The Rotary Club of Edina's Board of Directors recently approved the applicant below for membership.

**Name:** Sue Spalding

**Classification:** Non-Profit Administration

**Sponsor:** Michael Stanzak

Written objections to the application must be submitted before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, to Rotary Club of Edina, 4801 W. 50th St., Edina, MN 55424.

## Like Rotary on Facebook!

If you haven't already, go to the **Rotary Club of Edina Facebook page** ([www.facebook.com/EdinaRotary](http://www.facebook.com/EdinaRotary)) and give it a "Like!"

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## Board meeting notes

Feb. 20, 2014

By Doug Johnson, Public Relations Director

## Committee Reports:

- **Membership Committee (Recruitment):** 21 prospective members visited the club on Feb. 13 for the "Bring a Prospective Member to Rotary" meeting. Five have begun or have already completed the application process.
  - Keith Downey's resignation was accepted
  - Susan Spalding's membership application was approved. Sue is executive director of the Alzheimer's Association and sponsored by Michael Stanzak.
- **Membership Committee (Retention):** Bowling night was a big success. More than 50 people attended. The next event will be Thursday, March 20, at the old Log Theater. Information will be coming out via e-mail on Feb. 24. Fireside chats will be held in late April and early May.
- **Community Service Committee (Projects):**
  - The next Feed My Starving Children event will be May 3 from 9 to 11 a.m.
  - The Club will also be adopting a park. Wooddale and Utley (home of the future veteran's memorial) are being considered.

- This will involve a volunteer opportunity for Rotarians and their families with clean-up happening a minimum of twice a year for Rotary members. Matt Boockmeier will be heading up this volunteer opportunity.

- **Community Service Committee (Grants):** The committee submitted their recommendations for approval and they were accepted. The committee received 18 grant requests and the following local organizations were approved:
  - Can Do Canines
  - ITNT Twin Cities
  - VEAP (Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People)
  - NC Little Hospice
  - AR & LE Larry Nelson Golf Program (City of Edina/Braemar Golf)
  - Edina Historical Society
  - Steve Rummel Hope Foundation (our funds along with funds from the Rotary clubs of Buffalo, Excelsior, Bloomington Noon and Eden Prairie will result in a matching grant from the Rotary District 5950 of \$6000.)

These will be posted in the near future on the website. The new system of rating each request went smoothly and allowed the committee to eliminate organizations that did not meet the basic criteria.

## Meet our new member...

*In the spirit of getting to know our new members, the Barker will feature a profile and photo of new members periodically. This week, we meet:*

**Name:** John Buttolph

**Age:** 61

**Classification:** Restaurant franchisor

**What was your first job?** inventory in plumbing supply house

**Who was your first role model and why?** My grandfather, Stan Werner. He always wore a secret inner smile and put the happiness of others ahead of his own

**Why did you want to join Rotary?** To give service to the community with like-minded men and women.

**What do you like best about being part of the Rotary Club of Edina?** fellowship and humor

**What one piece of advice do you offer other business leaders?** "You can't hit the ball until you step up to the plate."



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