

# THE BARKER

ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

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## Aug. 8, 2013 Meeting Assignments

Greeters George Lancaster, Michael

Eckert & Susan Johnson

Front Desk Jerry Potter
Invocation Tim Murphy
Guest Introduction Gary Aulik
Barker Charles Barer
Program Host Bradley Beard
Thank Speaker Michael Stanzak

Program: Dr. Steve Battista, Carl Platou Emergency Center at

Fairview Southdale Hospital

## **Host Families Needed**

Rotary International District 5950 will host Young Hwan (Flynn) Choi, 25, from South Korea as a part of the New Generations Exchange (NGE) program. The Rotary Club of Hopkins is his sponsor for the trip, July 25 through Aug. 29.

Flynn will be visiting Minnesota to work as an unpaid intern at Target and University of Minnesota in the fashion merchandising business. The Rotary New Generations Committee is looking for four host families for Flynn, each to host one week of his stay here in the United States. Each host family needs to provide a bed, breakfast and dinner.

Please contact Tom Thorfinnson at 612-850-2597 or Dennis Kim at 612-961-6878 for more information. This is a wonderful opportunity to host an international guest for a short period of time — perhaps to get your feet wet in preparation to host one of our two international Rotary Exchange students from Italy and France! Contact incoming Youth Service Director Heather Hansen, 612-366-0051 for more information on that AMAZING opportunity.

## We're on TV!

The program portion of the Rotary Club of Edina's weekly meetings are being televised and air on Edina Community Channel 16 (EDINA 16) daily at 1 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. The programs



In Review

Aug. 1, 2013

#### By Rick Carlson

Greeters: Rick Carlson, Sam Thompson and David Wohl

Front Desk: Marty Kupper Invocation: Dan Mott

Guest Introduction: **San Asato** Program Host: **Josh Sprague** Thank Speaker: **Ann Platt** 

Program: Tom Horner, Principal of Horner Strategies, "NextMinnesota: A New Voice for Minnesota's Future"

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Slyce.

The invocation by **Dan Mott** was thoughtful and reminded us of the six-year Aug. I anniversary of the 35W bridge collapse.

Guests were Judy Lloyd from Blind Agencies and Sonja Tegdin from Scoopy Poo.

**Jody Kern** reminded us of the Heshima Walk on Saturday, Aug. 3, at Rosland Park.

Everyone was encouraged to get involved in the Edina Rotary Foundation fundraiser, scheduled for Oct. 12. The Committee chairs are Rick Carlson and Dave Hatzung. Committee members are Jody Kern and Ann Platt, sponsorships; Gary Pederson, silent auction; Peter Hoffman, live auction; Mary Swendsen and Katie Bassett, decorations; Kip Peterson, wine and booze wall; Mike Opitz and Marty Kupper, raffle; Jennifer Bennerotte and Kaylin Martin, marketing; Mark Jessen, printing; Greg Hanks, YMCA; Mary Hustad, invitations; Kevin Kalal, finances; Paul Mooty and Paul Peterson, testimonials and major gift presentation; Jon Barnett, auctioneer; Mary Younggren and Paul Peterson, entertainment and promotions; Kaylin Martin, Dave Hatzung and Rick Carlson, venue, tasting and beverages; and John Neve, new outside involvement. If you have any ideas to make the fundraiser memorable, please contact a committee member!

**Rick Carlson** filled in for **Gary Pedersen**, asking for silent auction items for the fundraiser. If you have any items or ideas for the silent auction, please contact Gary Pedersen!

4801 W. 50th St • Edina, MN 55424 Jennifer Garske, Club Administrator

**Heather Hansen** told us that incoming exchange students will arrive Aug. 29. She is looking for people to help Louis and Julieno while they are staying in Minnesota. They like basketball, football, baseball, hockey and all other sport-related activities.

Our outbound exchange students are going to Norway and India.

The speaker was introduced by **Josh Sprague**. Tom Horner ran in the gubernatorial race in 2010 and is now working on "Next Minnesota."

"NextMinnesota is a not-for-profit political advocacy group that supports centrist candidates, politics and policy. They provide education to Minnesotans on important policy issues, as well as political and campaign support for candidates from all parties in an effort to advance Minnesota using common-sense solutions.

Right now, NextMinnesota is investing all contributions in its work. They don't have staff. They aren't renting office space and they don't have consulting contracts. They are



putting in their own time, using their own talents and working with bright, creative freelancers to build NextMinnesota. Certainly, they hope to grow once they prove themselves and NextMinnesota's value. But for now, contributions go directly and completely to delivering the promised outcomes.

Horner said his group is tired of negative advertising and political attacks. So here's the NextMinnesota promise: "We won't go negative. Now or ever. Our purpose isn't to tear down other ideas or candidates who don't agree with us. Our focus is on creating a bold, innovative and positive agenda for Minnesota's future."

Tom was thanked for his talk by **Ann Platt** and given as thank you for his talk the gift of a donation to Polio Plus in his name.

The meeting was adjourned by President Steve Slyce.

#### **Board Notes**

#### By Doug Johnson

- Currently, there are 158 members in the club.
- The 2013-14 Rotary Club and Edina Rotary Foundation budgets were approved.
- Quarterly dues increase from \$70 to \$75 approved beginning the second quarter (beginning October 2013).
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Aug. 18, 2013

- For 2013-14, we will continue the "In Honor of" and "Past Presidents' Modified Millennium Talk" segments of our prespeaker program.
- The Board recommitted to have every member contribute to the Edina Rotary Foundation and The Rotary Foundation, the goal of 100 percent member attendance at the fundraising event this fall and 100 percent of all members serving on a committee in some capacity (where possible).
- Michael Stanzak is looking for hosts for four Fireside Chats to be held in early September.
- The next Feed My Starving Children volunteer event is scheduled for Oct. 19 from 9 to 11 a.m.

## Website app available

The ClubRunner Mobile App is available for download! The ClubRunner Mobile App is your key to connect to your ClubRunner website on the go! Completely free to download and use, this app will let you access the key info you need while you're on the go.



Password protected just like our club's website, the ClubRunner Mobile app is comprised of three main modules. View our member directory, view the articles posted to our website and locate the nearest club right from your iPhone or iPod, bringing you even closer to being able to connect, collaborate and communicate!

#### ROTARY YEAR 2013-2014 - OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Oct. 12, 2013

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