

# THE BARKER

ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

## Jan. 7, 2016 Meeting Assignments

Front Desk Front Desk Admin Greeters Greg Hanks Jennifer Garske

Scott Tankenoff, David Aase

& Raj Kumar

Invocation, Pledge,

Four-Way Test
Introduce Guests
The Barker writer
Introduce the Speaker
Thank the Speaker

**Program:** Kathryn Nordberg of Erik's Ranch, the 2015–2016 Edina Rotary Foundation Signature Project

### Jan. 14, 2016 Meeting Assignments

Front Desk Front Desk Admin Heather Hansen Jennifer Garske

Greeters

Sonja Tengdin, Renee Harberts

& John Mazzara

Invocation, Pledge,

Four-Way Test
Introduce Guests
The Barker writer

Les Jones Jim Roberts Luther Amundson

Introduce the Speaker
Thank the Speaker

John Flynn Paul Mooty

# **Proposed for Membership**

The Rotary Club of Edina's Board of Directors in December approved the applicants below for membership:

#### Meg Boehne

Classification: Luxury Real Estate Sponsor: Scott MacDonald

#### Katie Wanninger Smith

Classification: Marketing Sponsor: Les Wanninger

Written objections to the applications must be submitted before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, to Rotary Club of Edina, 4801 W. 50th St., Edina, MN 55424.

# Register for a chance to buy the club's "MyPillow" from KOOL 108 FM

The Rotary Club of Edina raised \$5,136 for the Salvation Army last month by ringing bells at Lunds & Bylerys. On "Ring for Jerry Day," the club raised \$2,194, \$1,000 of which was a match from an anonymous donor in memory of the late Rotarian Jerry Potter. For its efforts, the club was named KOOL 108 FM's "Ringer of the Day" and received a free "MyPillow." If you are interested in buying the "MyPillow" for a minimum suggested donation of \$40, please contact President Jennifer Bennerotte prior to the Jan. 7 club meeting. (The pillow has a value of \$50.)

At the meeting, we will have a drawing of all those who are interested in the pillow. The winner can make a tax-deductible contribution to the Salvation Army. In the decade our club has been ringing bells for the Salvation Army, we've collected more than \$30,000. Special thanks to Dan Hallberg and Wayne Harmon for arranging this year's project!

# Q3 invoices to be sent out to all active members soon

All invoices for Quarter 3 (January–March 2016) will be emailed out via ClubRunner in the coming days. Dues and meals for the quarter will be included, as well as charges from the Rotary dinner/theater night out in November and the Holiday Party, if applicable. Please keep an eye on your inbox for your invoice. If you are signed up to receive invoices through the regular mail, those will be mailed soon as well.

If you have signed up for ACH payments, you will receive your invoice via ClubRunner as well so that you can review any additional charges. No action is needed on your part however. ACH payments will go through automatically around the 10<sup>th</sup> of the invoicing month. If you are interested in signing up for ACH payments (there is no charge to members for this service), contact Club Administrator Jennifer Garske.

Note that payment of Rotary Club of Edina quarterly invoices are due within 30 days. If you have questions on payment options or the balance on your account, please contact Jen Garske or Treasurer San Aasto. Thank you!

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

# **Rotary Club of Edina mailbox**

The Oasis for Youth Holiday Party was yesterday afternoon [Dec. 22, 2015], and I wish you had been there to see and hear the delight as the youth opened their gifts. Smiles and laughter filled the room. Because of your very generous donations of gift cards, basketballs, footballs, jewelry and more, our staff was able to create individual gift bags for each young person. Even though gifts were not fancy or extravagant, they were personal, and that made a big impact on our youth.

I've enclosed a photo of the Oasis Christmas tree [at right] before the party began. All the bags were gone by the end of the afternoon—in fact, we needed to make up some additional bags for more guests than we expected. In addition to gifts for youth, we were able to offer a roomful of toys and books for our youth who are parents to pick out to give their children.



Thank you for your generous Christmas donations to Oasis for Youth. Truly, you shared much more than the value of gifts alone—you shared the love, joy and hope of the holiday season with our young people.

May the very best of the season be yours, Nicole Mills Executive Director Oasis for Youth

This is a great time of year to reflect on all the ways others have contributed to making 2015 exceptional. As I recall the successes of the past year, the one that stands out above all the others is the opening of the Carl N. Platou Emergency Center. As I walk the space, I am reminded of and thankful for individuals like you who have generously provided the resources necessary to make our expansion possible.

The new Emergency Center has proven to be a wonderful addition to our community and our campus. The expanded treatment space allows us to provide care for more patients than ever before, while our redesigned mental health area has provided a compassionate and safe place for those seeking support.

Located directly above our new Emergency Center, the Popp Chronic Care Center and Observation Unit has already reached capacity multiple times. Patients have expressed great appreciation for the many healing elements the space provides. None of this would be possible without you.

I want to thank you for your donation and let you know how crucial your gift was to making this project a reality. I am humbled and thankful for not only your commitment, but also your vision and your dedication to making this initiative come to life. You have touched the lives of people you will never know—but rest assured their appreciation is genuine and plentiful.

Since the opening in August, I have had the opportunity to accompany family members to the Emergency Center, and I have personally availed myself of its services. My observation on both trips was how quiet the space was. I felt like I was the only one in the department and yet I knew there were 40 other patients simultaneously receiving care.

In closing, I want to wish you and your families a blessed holiday season. Thank you for your steadfast support of this project and know that your generosity will touch the lives of thousands of community members as they seek our help in some of their most vulnerable moments.

Bradley Beard Regional President, South Region Fairview Health Services

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers. I'm feeling much better and Marty has me up and working already!

Thank you so much for thinking about me.

Debbie Kupper

#### In Memoriam...

We are sad to announce that Rotarian Susan Johnson's father, Donald Moersch, passed away Dec. 17, 2015. A memorial service was held Dec. 28 in Hopkins.

We are also grieving the loss of Pat Kennedy. Pat was a founding member of the Edina Morningside Rotary Club, and is the husband of Annie Kennedy, former administrator for our club and also an EMRC member. Pat passed away Dec. 28, 2015 at the age of 59 after a years-long battle with cancer. Services were Jan. 2 in Edina. The family prefers memorials to the Edina Morningside Rotary Foundation, 4024 Grimes Ave. S., Edina, MN 55416.

Please keep Susan's family in your thoughts and prayers, as well as Annie Kennedy and all of Pat's family and friends.

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