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ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

Thanksgiving Baskets Assembly is today at Edina Country Club

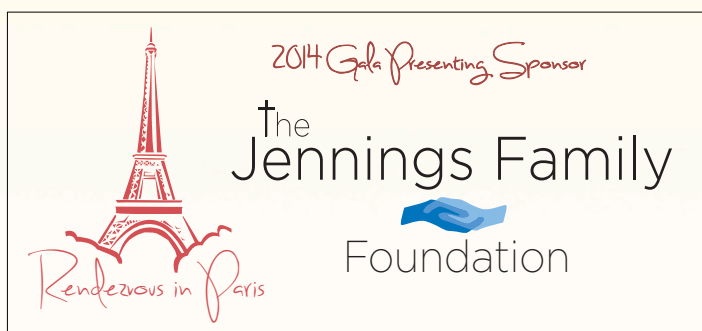
All Rotary Club of Edina members are encouraged to attend the annual Thanksgiving Baskets assembly today, Nov. 26, at the Edina Country Club. Children and grandchildren are welcome to help assemble baskets for area families in need. **We will gather at 11:45 a.m. for lunch (a soup, salad and sandwich buffet), followed by the Thanksgiving baskets assembly at 12:30 p.m.** Baskets are delivered to families in Edina, and north and south Minneapolis. **All members should bring a can of sweet potatoes to add to the baskets.** Contact Michael Stanzak for more information.

There is no meeting on Thanksgiving, Nov. 27, so this counts as the official Rotary meeting for that week. Rotarians do not have to pay for lunch at the door, unless they are senior active, and guests will be charged the usual rate—\$18 for adults, \$12 for children 10 and under who have the kids' meal.

Dec. 4, 2014 Meeting Assignments

Greeters	Ann Goebel & Jim Ryman
Front Desk	Will Steinke
Invocation	Jennifer Bennerotte
Guest Introductions	Mike Kallas
Barker	John Buttolph
Thank the Speaker	Mitch Robinson

Program: Anne Mavity, director of new projects for Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative, will speak about the youth homeless shelter planned for 66th Street in Edina, known as the 66 West Apartments.



Happy Thanksgiving!

In Review

Nov. 20, 2014

By Axel Steuer

Rotarians and guests were warmly welcomed to the annual fall joint meeting of the Rotary Club of Edina and the Edina Morningside Rotary Club (EMRC) by **Don Erickson, Tim Fargo,** and **Bill Milota.**

President **Jeff Ohe** opened the meeting with words of welcome to members of the EMRC, including its President Rob Laughlin, and to our special speaker, Mary Beth Growney Selene, a director of Rotary International. When introducing Rob Laughlin, Jeff Ohe described the annual joint meetings as one of the highlights of the year for our two clubs. In turn, Rob Laughlin noted that the EMRC was celebrating the 25th Anniversary of its founding this year and invited members of the Rotary Club of Edina to join his club for a gala Hangar Party (social, dinner, and dance) on Jan. 24, 2015.

Past President **Steve Slyce** offered an inspiring invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

President **Ohe** had the pleasure of overseeing the introductions of the following visitors to today's meeting:

- Goodie Brauer, guest of Sue Brauer Mickelberg (a member of EMRC and daughter of **Don Brauer**).
- Dan Hare, guest of **Mitch Robinson**
- Royce Pavelka, guest of **Ken Andersen**
- Steve Buettner, guest of **Doug Johnson**
- Tom Ryan, guest of our speaker, Mary Beth Growney Selene
- Tim Mulcrone, visiting Rotarian from the Chanhassan Rotary Club and District Polio Chair

Sue Brauer Mickelberg was honored with a special ceremony and the presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow pin to recognize the outstanding service she and her late father, **Don Brauer**, provided to the Rotary Club of Edina and to the Edina Morningside Rotary Club.

A principal theme of today's meeting was the many cooperative initiatives the Rotary Club of Edina and EMRC have undertaken

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Jennifer Garske, Club Administrator

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Edina Morningside Rotary Club member Sue Mickelberg (left), daughter of longtime Rotary Club of Edina member Don Brauer, poses with her mother, Goodie Brauer, with the Paul Harris pin they received on behalf of Don. Don died earlier this year.



over the years. **Patti Ellingson-Solheim** and her sister, Jane Ellingson Ehresmann, both past presidents, respectively, of the two clubs, provided a brief history of the cooperation between the clubs on a variety of service projects, such as the Thanksgiving Basket Assembly. **Bob Solheim** gave an entertaining demonstration of how one might efficiently prepare a turkey for Thanksgiving. Bob did not indicate whether he would be willing to repeat his dazzling feat in the homes of members on Nov. 27.

In the spirit of the season, we were entertained by two well-dressed giant turkeys, who were demonstrating on behalf of a Vegetarian Thanksgiving.

Program Chair **Tim Murphy**, introduced our speaker, Mary Beth Growney Selene. A successful business leader, Mary Beth was welcomed to the podium with a standing ovation in recognition of her outstanding work on behalf of Rotary International.

Our speaker described various important initiatives of The Rotary Foundation and said that key words associated with Rotary, such as, fun, vibrant, active, involved, committed, friendly and welcoming, all apply to our two clubs.

She indicated that The Rotary Foundation, with its three-year Annual Fund cycle, employs a unique operating model. The areas of the Foundation's focus are the prevention of disease, conflict resolution, improving family health, and access to education and literacy. Its number-one priority continues to be the eradication of polio. The remaining hot spots for polio are Nigeria, Afghanistan, and Pakistan, and we cannot quit until the number of new cases is zero. She described The Rotary Foundation as "the greatest foundation in the world."



Program speaker Mary Beth Growney Selene, a director for Rotary International, poses with Tim Murphy who introduced her at the Nov. 20 meeting.

During the Q&A period, our speaker reported on her specific duties as a director, including helping to oversee the various scholarship programs of Rotary. Rotary scholarship recipients should exhibit the core values of leadership, fellowship, integrity and service. They also typically address the Foundation's areas of focus and such Rotary International priorities as clean water, sanitation, and economic development.

Tom Ries thanked our speaker, and after the introduction of our District Governor, Jim Nelson, the meeting was adjourned.

Rotary Holiday Giving Program starts Dec. 4

Again this year, the Rotary Club of Edina will be collecting holiday gifts for families in need in our community. Rotarian Jean Morrison is once again spearheading the Holiday Giving Program, and asks that **members bring UNWRAPPED gifts for children of any age (infant all the way through teens) as well as gifts for moms, dads, and families, to the Edina Country Club in December.** The gifts can be dropped off at the regular Rotary meetings on Thursday, Dec. 4 and 11, or at the Holiday Party on Wednesday, Dec. 17. The gifts will go to VEAP and Oasis for Youth. For more information contact Jean at jean@jeanmorrisonhr.com.



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Rotarians Dave Hatzung and Bob Gubrud (center) discuss ethical issues with students from Edina High School at the Leadership Ethics Seminar, held Nov. 17, in Edina.

Leadership Ethics Seminar held for EHS students Nov. 17

The Rotary Club of Edina hosted the Leadership Ethics Seminar, also known as "Do the Right Thing," for Edina High School students on Monday, Nov. 17. Sixty-four EHS students and 29 Rotarians and volunteers participated in an all-day seminar on leadership ethics. The event, co-chaired this fall by Jerry Potter and Joe Hayes, was held for the third time, moving from the spring to the fall for the 2014-2015 school year.

Held in conjunction with Edina High School 212 Leadership, the seminar was held at the Church of St. Patrick in Edina. The purpose of the seminar was to discuss and assist the EHS students on the study of ethics of why we believe the acts of right or wrong and exhibiting ethical and moral conduct at all times can lead to fulfilling life.

The format was 10 tables of six students and two table leaders. Thom Winninger, Bob Solheim and Tom Hayes where speakers and also presented ethical case studies for the tables to discuss and present to the group. John Flynn and Mitch Robinson held a student panel discussion of three ethical case studies, which developed into an insightful room discussion on each case.

Lead by Jerry Potter, John Flynn, Mitch Robinson, Joe Hayes, and Wayne Harmon, the program was another great success. Thank you to all who participated. If you would like to participate next year please contact Jerry or Joe.

Upcoming Events and Schedule

- Nov. 26 **Thanksgiving Baskets Assembly**, Edina Country Club, 11:45 a.m. Rotarians and their families are invited to attend this annual event, held in conjunction with the Edina Morningside Rotary Club, where we will have lunch, then assemble Thanksgiving baskets for families in need. Volunteers will deliver the baskets after the event. Rotarians are not charged for lunch, and guests are charged the usual amount—\$18 for adults, \$12 for children.
- Nov. 27 **No Rotary Club of Edina meeting**
- Dec. 3 **Edina Rotary Vocational Development Group**, Maker's Cafe, 5:30 to 7 p.m., meets on the first Wednesday of each month to provide Club members the opportunity to share their profession, network, encourage professional development, and foster ethical business practices. Contact Kip Peterson for more information.
- Dec. 4 **Edina Rotary Foundation Fundraiser & Gala wrap-up meeting**, Edina Country Club, 11:15 a.m., Gala Team members and volunteers are invited to come and discuss the planning of this year's Gala to help next year's team in their planning. Con-tact Jean Morrison or Mary Younggren for info.
- Dec. 4, 11, 17 **Edina Rotary Holiday Giving Program**, bring gifts, gift cards, or donate money for gifts to be purchased for families in need this holiday season. Gifts will go to VEAP and Oasis for Youth. For more information, contact Jean Morrison.
- Dec. 17 **Rotary Club of Edina Holiday Party**, Edina Country Club.
- Dec. 18 **No Rotary Club of Edina meeting**
- Dec. 25 **No Rotary Club of Edina meeting for Christmas holiday**

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

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Board meeting notes

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By Doug Johnson, Public Relations Director

Financial Report

The Club budget and Foundation financials were reviewed, are in good order, and were approved.

Committee Reports**Public Relations:**

- The website was updated and “cleaned up” by Jennifer Bennerotte and Jennifer Garske. Check it out!
- The committee will be submitting selected Club members for various community awards.
- The committee would like to set up some social media training in the coming months. Ann Platt agreed to work with Doug Johnson on this project.

Membership (Recruitment):

- The Board approved the resignations of Norberto Moran and Yevgeniy “Eugene” Drozdov.
- Oct. 30 was Prospective Member Day and attendance was excellent.
- The next Rotary Vocational Development Group is on Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Makers’ Café in Edina. Contact Kip Peterson with questions or if you need more information.

Community Service (Projects):

- Feed My Starving Children was cancelled Oct. 25 and will be re-scheduled.
- Thanksgiving baskets will be assembled on Nov. 26 beginning at 11:45 a.m. at the Edina Country Club. There is still room for additional reservations.
- The next Jeremiah House event will be in April.
- The Holiday Party will be Wednesday, Dec. 17.
- Salvation Army bell ringing this year will be at the Edina Byerly’s on Dec. 17, 18, 19, 22, and 23 from 2 to 6 p.m. Dan Hallberg is chairing the event

Youth Service:

- STRIVE has 14 kids and 14 counselors.
- Rotary Rocks the Y hopes to begin in December or January.
- The committee is working to have two student guests every other week.
- Camp RYLA is being led by Leann Stessman.
- Camp E went extremely well. Photos have been posted on our Facebook page, website and the Camp

Enterprise website.

- The Leadership Ethics Seminar, “Do the Right Thing,” had 60 students attend and received excellent marks.
- Interact now has enough students to submit their paperwork to Rotary International and apply for their charter. Their goal is to begin next year.

The Rotary Foundation:

- Will Steinke indicated that the kick-off would be at today’s meeting (Nov. 20) with the program speaker a member of the TRF International Board. Our Club goal is \$100,000 and 100 percent participation.

Club Service (Administration):

- The guest day ran well!

Membership (Retention):

- The Club’s bowling date is set for Saturday, Jan. 31, and will be held again at Tuttle’s in Hopkins.
- Dec. 22 is the Club’s visit to “Motown...The Musical.” There will be a pre-dinner gathering at the Rock Bottom Brewery. Let Michael Stanzak know if you plan on attending.

Officers’ Reports:

- Steve Slyce reported that nominations for board members for 2015-16 will be announced Dec. 11.
- Jennifer Bennerotte headed up the Southwest Metro Rotary Club’s Veterans Luncheon. Attendance of 205 was excellent, as was the program. Ann Platt is our representative next year.
- Jennifer indicated that she would like to partner with local service clubs in Edina to hear presentations from groups that would like to be identified as a “signature” project. The tentative plan is for January or February.
- Jeff Ohe noted that the Gala event drew approximately 315 and was a huge success. Thanks to Jean Morrison and Mary Younggren and all who volunteered to make this a wonderful event and tremendous fundraiser.
- The first donation has been made to the Club’s “Legacy Fund.” More information about the fund will be coming out in the new year.
- Jeff Ohe has been selected to be the Rotary Assistant Governor for Area 3 next year!

Note: This is a brief summary of the board meeting. The official minutes of this meeting will be posted on our Rotary Club of Edina website at www.edinarotary.org when approved by the Board. You can find minutes of past board meetings in the Club Documents section of the website.

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