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ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

Oct. 2, 2014 Meeting Assignments

Greeters	Rick Burrock, John Buttolph & Eugene Drozdov
Front Desk	Marty Kupper
Invocation	Doug Bailey
Guest Introductions	Joel Jennings
Barker	Matt Mattis
Thank the Speaker	Tom Pirsch

Program: Roshini Rajkumar, "Helping People Own Their WOW"

Menu: Orange chicken with fried rice and Szechuan green beans or Mandarin orange salad with shrimp

Proposed for Membership

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

Name: Amir Gharbi
Classification: Public Service
Sponsor: David Clynes

Name: Ron Kalich
Classification: Business Consulting
Sponsor: Ann Platt

Name: Leann Stessman
Classification: Retail and Commercial Banking
Sponsor: Josh Sprague

Written objections to the application must be submitted before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, to Rotary Club of Edina, 4801 W. 50th St., Edina, MN 55424.



In Review

Sept. 25, 2014

By Don Hutchison

Jeff Ohe, president, convened the meeting.

Val Burke, Axel Steuer, Deirdre Kvale, and Don Hutchison greeted everyone at the door. **Steve Slyce** handled the front desk with **Barbara Born**. **Tom Bach** quoted John Wesley as he gave the invocation.

Dennis Hykes introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Guests included Ross Peterson, guest of **Dave Hatzung**; previous and returning Rotarian Bill Malone; Youth Exchange students Patrik Pisecky of the Czech Republic and Miyuki Sanko Japan, both guests of **Wooj Byun**; Barb Sutter, who is running for office in District 49B, which includes parts of Edina, Bloomington, Eden Prairie, and Minnetonka; and **Josh Sprague's** returning guest and Rotary candidate Leann Stessman.

Susan Johnson gave us a sneak peek at some of the items that will be available to bid on at the Gala auction: driving a Tesla electric automobile, a tour of Target Field with our own Doug Johnson, a "muskie hunt," and an escape to the Minnesuing Acres Resort in northwest Wisconsin. **Nate Wenner** reminded us there's one week left to donate cash or bottles of wine.

Brad Hepp inducted **Joe Graca** into the Rotary Club of Edina. Joe is sponsored by **Mike Opitz**. Joe's wife, Paula Graca, attended as a guest. Welcome to the No. 1 Club in the Universe!

We viewed a brief video, with an introduction by **Bob Solheim**, featuring **Wooj Byun** on becoming a Rotarian. Wooj recounted "My Rotary Story," which he has documented in a book by the same title.

Our speaker, Uwe Kortshagen, Distinguished McKnight Professor and department head, wants us to know that his Mechanical Engineering Department at the University of Minnesota is much, much more than "guys working on cars!" He believes mechanical engineers are a key economic engine for the state of Minnesota because many students in the program graduate and then stay and work in Minnesota,

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contributing to developing and building new products and technologies.

Former Club President and former District Governor **Dan Hallberg** introduced Dr. Kortshagen. Born in Germany, Dr. Kortshagen has been in the United States since 1995. His interests include nanoparticles and renewable energy applications. Dr. Kortshagen outlined 14 challenges in mechanical engineering in the broad areas of energy, environment and human health.

Dan Hallberg announced **Gordy Lewis** would remain after the meeting to explain the slide rule, a device previously relied upon by engineering students and which can now be seen on display next to the pocket protector collection in the Department of Antiquities and Ancient Artifacts.



Jeremiah House dinner a success

Several Rotarians and guests gathered at Jeremiah House in Minneapolis on Sept. 23 to Cook for Kids. The group made dinner for residents who are part of the Jeremiah Program. The program provides single mothers and their children with a safe and affordable place to live, as well as quality early childhood education, empowerment and life skills training, and support for career-track education.



Taking part in the event for the Rotary Club of Edina were (top photo, left to right) Addie Running, Jodie Jennings, Rick Carlson, Paula Larson, Dave McElroy, Mark Hegman, Joe Graca, Mike Eckert, Loreli Steuer, Axel Steuer and Mary Swendsen. Mike Eckert (also shown in the bottom photo) organized the event.

Upcoming Events and Schedule

- Oct. 1 **Rotary Happy Hour**, Makers Café, 4920 W. 77th St., Edina, 5:30 to 7 p.m.
- Oct. 1 **Anniversary celebration of The Waters of Edina**, one-year anniversary party and tours of the Garden Level Art Gallery, will include hors d'oeuvres a champagne toast, and dessert, 6300 Colonial Way, Edina, 4 to 7 p.m. RSVP by emailing DSexton@TheWatersSeniorLiving.com or calling 952-322-7500.
- Oct. 9 No Rotary Club of Edina meeting
- Oct. 11 **Rotary Club of Edina Fundraiser Gala**, "Rendezvous in Paris," Sheraton Bloomington Hotel, 6 p.m. reception and silent auction, 7:45 p.m. dinner, raffle, and live auction.
- Oct. 25 **Edina Day of Service**, part of national Make a Difference Day. For more info, go to www.edinadayofservice.org.
- Oct. 25 **Feed My Starving Children**, Rotary Club of Edina's part of Edina Day of Service and Make a Difference Day. More info in coming weeks.
- Oct. 30 **Prospective Member Day**, Edina Country Club, 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., Rotarians are encouraged to bring someone to the meeting who is interested in learning more about our Club.
- Nov. 7 **Tour of Dr. Rob Sweet's SIMPORTAL Lab at the U of M**, Mayo Memorial Building, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Dr. Sweet will give Rotarians an inside look at his lab, where cutting-edge research is done on products to improve training for surgeons and military personnel. Dr. Sweet was program speaker at our Aug. 7 meeting. Register by logging onto the Club website at www.edinarotary.org. Contact Heather Hansen for more info.

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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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: Jim Ryman
Classification: Insurance Management (Retired)
What was your first job? Morning Paperboy (*Minneapolis Tribune*)
Who was your first role model and why? My father. He was a man of integrity and honesty.
Why did you want to join Rotary? To meet community leaders.
What do you like best about being part of the Rotary Club of Edina? A chance to meet some great folks, and the excellent speakers.
What one piece of advice do you offer other business leaders? Always surround yourself with the best people possible.



New baby congratulations to...

New grandmother Colleen Simpson! Colleen became a grandma again Sept. 15, when Kellen Chase Simpson was born, weighing in at 8 lbs, 1 oz. Colleen's son and daughter-in-law live in San Diego with their two other sons, Bennett, 5, and Will, 2.

Congratulations to Colleen and her family!

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 are also available on YouTube.



Are you a veteran?

Plans are being made for the 2014 Area 3 Veterans Luncheon. This year, organizers are putting together a tribute to Rotarians who are veterans. If you have served in the Armed Forces, please send your name, military branch and years of service as soon as possible to President Elect Jennifer Bennerotte, jbennerotte@EdinaMN.gov or 29455 Gaylord Ave., Cannon Falls, MN 55009. If you have a photo of your time in the service, please send that, too. (Physical photos will be returned.)

For more information, contact Bennerotte, 612-201-3467 or jbennerotte@EdinaMN.gov.

Like Rotary on Facebook and Twitter

If you haven't already, go to the **Rotary Club of Edina Facebook page** (www.facebook.com/EdinaRotary) and give it a "Like"! Our Facebook page is a great way to keep up on Club news, as well as share Rotary items with your Facebook friends. We want as many people as possible to see what good work our Club is up to. You can also follow the **Rotary Club of Edina on Twitter @EdinaRotary**.

And while you are on Facebook, visit **Rotary District 5950's Facebook page** (www.facebook.com/Rotary5950) and "Like" them to receive regular posts from the District as well.

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