

THE BARKER

ROTARY CLUB OF EDINA

Sept. 17, 2014 Meeting Assignments

Greeters Michael Braun, Sutton McGraw &

Axel Steuer

Front Desk Sandy Schley
Invocation Gary Aulik
Guest Introductions Melinda Inman
Barker Jodie Jennings
Thank the Speaker Kip Peterson

Program: Tony Barranco of Ryan Companies, Downtown

East development in Minneapolis

Menu: Edina Rotary Big Buffet featuring Italian food

New baby congratulations to...



Rotarian Kip Peterson and his wife, Rebecca, on the birth of Maxwell Otto on Sept. 8, 2014. Maxwell weighed in at 8 pounds, I ounce and was 21 inches long. Maxwell has two big sisters, Julia and Elise.

Congratulations to the happy family!



In Review

Sept. 11, 2014

By Gordy Lewis

We were greeted with big smiles by new members **Deirdre Kvale** and **Don** (no "N" in my name) **Hutchison**. At the front desk were Audri Schwarz (no surprise), assisted by **Mitch** (my job is to help good people who make bad choices) **Robinson**.

San Asato's invocation was so heartfelt for San and moving for all of us. On this anniversary of the 9/11 attacks it was ever so personal for San. When the North Tower was struck, the attacking plane hit the upper floors where Cantor Fitzgerald was located. They had 960 employees in New York. Of these, 658 were in the North Tower and none survived. Many of those lost were close friends and business associates of San. Thanks for sharing, San.

Mary Hustad, with her usual gracious manner, introduced a handful of guests, including visiting Rotarian John Mooty from Club #9. Has anyone tried to enlist John as a new member? Guests of our Rotarians were Rob Munson, Amir Gharbi, Ron Kalich, Jonadab Munoz, and Loreli Steuer, wife of Axel Steuer.

Deirdre Kvale treated us to a great classification talk. Now we know where that Boston accent came from. After college at UVM, she lived it up in Lincoln Park, Chicago, with the hip people, and eventually settled down with husband, Tom, in Minneapolis. Don't let that look of a 21-year-old fool you. She has been practicing patent law for 24 years. The writer, who has a granddaughter at UVM, was very excited to have the connection.



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Super saleswoman Jody Kern applied the pressure for Fundraiser donations, and then came Susan Johnson, who is a presider's dream. She asked for 30 seconds and made her pitch in 22 seconds. Nate Wenner begged for help with his wine wall. If he is short, he will have to come up with the wine out of his allowance. Sutton McGraw and Ken Andersen warned us about the French 75, the Gala signature drink, which will be available at the Fundraiser for the price of a small car. Sutton looked cold in her French outfit, and Ken so handsome in his bowtie.

Mike (referee) Kallas introduced Dennis Anderson, outdoors editor for the Star Tribune, who previously had been with the St. Paul Pioneer Press. Conservation was in his upbringing and he usually writes on outdoor topics. Dennis mused about how kids today focus on team sports and not so much on nature. He believes the Legacy Amendment, passed in 2008, is a huge benefit, but still not enough to keep many natural habitats from disappearing.

Bob Perkins thanked the speaker, and President **Jeff Ohe** closed the meeting with the Rotary bell.

Cook for Kids at Jeremiah House scheduled for Sept. 23

A few volunteers are needed to take part in the Jeremiah House Cook for Kids Rotary event on Tuesday, Sept. 23. Rotarian Mike Eckert is looking for four to five volunteers to help cook dinner for families from 4 to 7 p.m. at Jeremiah House, 1510 Laurel Ave., Minneapolis.

To volunteer or learn more about the opportunity, contact Mike at michaelpeckert@gmail.com, or log on to the Club website at www.edinarotary.org and sign up!

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.

Upcoming Events and Schedule

- Sept. 18 Fall Fireside Chat hosted by Joel Jennings, 9501 Oxborough Curve, Bloomington, 7 to 9 p.m.
- Jeremiah House Cook for Kids, 1510 Sept. 23 Laurel Ave., Minneapolis, 4 to 7 p.m.
- Fall Fireside Chat hosted by Gordy Sept. 24 Lewis, 6824 Chapel Lane, Edina, 7 to 9 p.m.
- Sept. 25 Fall Fireside Chat hosted by Josh **Sprague**, 4720 70th St. W., Edina, 6 to 8 p.m.
- Sept. 26 Fall District Training, Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Center, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., break-out sessions, lunch speaker will be Tom Thorfinnson, past Rotary International director. Registration deadline was Sept. 15. Go to District website. www.clubrunner.ca/5950/ for more info.
- Sept. 26/Oct. 2 Tour of Dr. Rob Sweet's SimPORTAL Lab at the U of M, Mayo Memorial Building, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (approximate), 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 for either date by logging onto the Club website at www.edinarotary.org. Contact Heather Hansen for more info.
- Dec. 22 Edina Rotary Goes to Motown!, Orpheum Theater, Minneapolis, 7:30 p.m., Rotary members and guests can sign up to attend "Motown—The Musical," tickets are \$66.50 per person with limited seating available. Register online through the end of the week by logging onto the Club website, www.edinarotary.org.

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