

RICH-O-GRAM

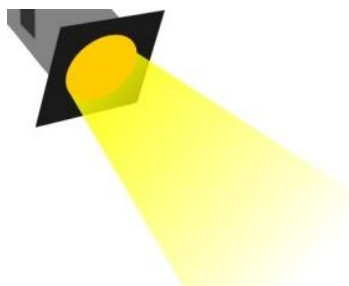


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Club Newsletter - Keeping Our Members Informed

Meeting Date – March 13, 2019

In Today's Spot



TERRY EGGAN

Edina Professionals Serving Seniors (EPSS)
 Caregiving for Parents

Looking ahead			
Spotlight			
March 20	Pari Cariaga - Center of the American Experiment		
March 27	Tenative (Meet with Bloomington) Kirason Demius - Children's Hospital (from 02/20)		
April 3	TBA		
April 10	TBA		
Breakfast -		Bread Pickup -	
Today	Mike Fogarty	Today	Pat Dale
March 20	Don Anderson	March 13	Tom Eklo
March 27	John Ashland	March 20	*Tom will start new sign up 03/13
April 3	David Kriesel-Koll	March 27	*Tom will start new sign up 03/13
April 10	Volunteer Needed	April 3	*Tom will start new sign up 03/13
Cleanup -		Greeter -	
Today	Mike Fogarty	Today	Mike Fogarty
March 20	Volunteer Needed	March 20	Tom Rappe
March 27	Volunteer Needed	March 27	John Ashland
April 3	Volunteer Needed	April 3	Volunteer Needed
April 10	Volunteer Needed	April 10	Volunteer Needed
Support Funds to be Presented to: Richfield Baseball, Inc.			

What Did I Miss Last Week at the March 6, Meeting?



Karen Walkowski gave a presentation on Human Trafficking in Minnesota. The definition is the exploitation of a person through force, fraud or coercion for commercial sex or forced labor. There are 2-4 million victims in the US in 2017. This was a 20-35% increase from 2016. Minnesota is the 13th largest state for youth being prostituted. Any human under the age of 18 is considered a victim. Karen is a Rotarian and 100 of the 164 Rotary Club Chapters in Minnesota have made human trafficking a focus of their clubs.

Good Things – Positive Things: (from the 03/06/19 meeting) -

- *Welcome Back to Tom Eklo. Tom was in Hawaii for 3 months – he is glad to be home.
- *David Kriesel-Koll had a great experience at a Men's Retreat at Camp Shamineau near Motley MN

Happy Birthday or Anniversary To: (from the 03/06/19 meeting)



This is WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT!!!

Scholarships

Junior Optimists

PennFest

Avenue of Flags

Cans For Kids



UPCOMING EVENTS

Avenue of Flags – Subscription renewals are strong. As of 03/10 there are **270** renewals for **\$11,225**. Last year in 2018 there were 450 flags placed. Targeting 500 this season.

As an Optimist member if you haven't subscribed previously – please consider doing it this year! Sponsor a Richfield site. Subscribe SOON! Helps in planning and cutting marketing costs.

Membership Dues: (April 1 – September 30) – Statements have been mailed or given in person

DMM Oratorical Contest & 3rd Qtr Meeting – Watertown, SD May 3 & 4 (Tony Koval – chair)

Minnesota Sings – Date: TBA

Hot Dog Stand at Cub Foods (60th & Nicollet) – Date: TBA (Deanna has connected with Doug from Cub)

Ronald McDonald House – April 1, 3:00 – 7:30 pm, Gillette Children's Hospital – Cook for Kids (6 volunteers)

Kanz 4 Kidz – Collected every 1st Wednesday of the month – exchange made in parking lot

Reading to Children – Centennial & Sheridan Elementary Schools – Date: TBA

Optimist International Foundation (Dime-A-Day) – Pat Dale collecting checks (please give ASAP)