

Rotary Club of Anchorage East

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Foundation Auction - We still need your donations!

Posted by Kris Rognes on Nov 24, 2013

The Foundation Auction committee needs your help....

The Foundation Auction is NEXT WEEK.. and we STILL need your donations. The committee requests you drop off your donation or bring it to a Rotary meeting before Thanksgiving.

Also, please plan to attend the event on Tuesday (not Wednesday), December 3rd from 6 to 9 pm. Cost is \$40 per person. This is a great way to support the Foundation, share fun and fellowship with fellow Rotarians and their guests, and do some holiday shopping at the same time.

You can drop your donation off at the Hotel Captain Cook. Just pull up to the valet parking area, hand your donation to the valet and let them know it's for the Rotary Foundation auction and they will take it to the HR department for safe keeping until the night of the event. WE WOULD LIKE TO COLLECT ALL ITEMS BEFORE THANKSGIVING PLEASE but will continue to accept donations after the holiday if needed.

If you need some ideas for items to donate check out the newsletter or read on...

Gift cards for restaurants and local shops are always popular as are fishing trips and gear, the use of houses or condos either in state or out of state, unique art is also great, gift certificate for flowers, jewelry items, tickets to sporting events such as UAA basketball or hockey or Aces tickets.

Donation Ideas:

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| Martini basket | wine and cheese |
| Cigars and scotch | Saturday night at the movies |
| Basket for the cook in the family or the baker | Italian Feast |
| Spa certificates | Sundae basket |
| Coffee lover's basket | Gardeners items |
| Car care | Winter survival basket |
| Family game night | Soup's On |
| Bunko basket | Beer or wine lover's basket |
| Golf basket | |

Please contact Kris Rognes (550-8435 krognes@alaskapublic.org) or Paul McGuire (250-9135 paulmcquire@gci.net) if you have any questions.

REMEMBER - Because of you, Rotary funds sustainable projects that help communities throughout the world. Foundation focus includes peace and conflict prevention/resolution, disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation, maternal and child health, basic edition and literacy, economic and community development - and of course the top priority which remains the eradication of polio. Won't you please support these important projects with your participation? We need your help and participation to make this event a success. Thank you!

Dec 14, 2013

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Hilton Employee to Retire

Posted by Barbara Kagerer on Nov 26, 2013

I found out after our meeting last week that this Wednesday will be Steve Gillies's last day working at the Hilton.

Steve's been at the hotel for 30 years, part of the hard-working bell staff that greets Rotarians and guests at the front door, always cheerful and helpful. I've known Steve for pretty much all those years, and he's a super guy.

Please tell him "Thanks!" on Wednesday if you see him, and wish him a happy retirement.

Thank you!
Barbara Kagerer

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Posted by Suzanne Linford on Nov 26, 2013

Per orders from Raquel, I took names and pictures at the dinner last night. I was expecting 21, however 17 (Rotarians and guests) arrived. All had a great time and I'm here to tell you about it.

Many thanks,
Sue

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PVR Rotary Scholarship Student Says THANKS!

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Nov 24, 2013

Below is a thank you letter (in somewhat rough English, but you will get the point) from a girl who had been on the scholarship program but did not have a donor for this year until a caring couple stepped in to provide the funds to help this girl complete high school. The \$300 USD scholarship per year makes a tremendous difference in the economies of struggling families, and we are trying to make sure students who have made it almost to graduation have the support to complete high school.

Hi! Wally and Cathy.

My name is Fernanda Araya León. I'm studying high school currently in fifth semester and conclude wants to study Gastronomy and can deal as a chef, I want to thank you for your support it is providing me and specially for the opportunity to continue to study and prepare for well to beat and be the evolution of one morning professional. Thanks very much indeed for this economic support that will allow me to continue studying, also would like to thank you personally someday and would like to ~~thank~~ get in touch with you.

My email is fotografia-28@hotmail.com and I would like you could give me yours to inform you of my progress and my accomplishments. Thank you very much indeed for your Generosity.



AER members have generously donated the funds to complete our international water filter project with the Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary club. 360 water filters have already been distributed, but in Corrales, a small coastal fishing village where the last 60 filters were distributed, we discovered there were 7 families we did not know about. Now, with the additional funds from AER members, we have ordered the 7 filters and will take them with us to Puerto Vallarta in January.

When I wrote to the president of the new El Tuito Rotary club which was recently chartered by the Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary club, to ask for their help in contacting the 7 families in Corrales and arranging transportation to get out there, I received the following message back.

Hello my dear friend Sandra,
 I want to thank you on behalfe of our people in Corrales for helping us with the water filters everyboby is happy now they do not have to drink polluted water.
 I'll find out about the 7 families they did not received water filters.
 You don't have to worry about transportation to Corrales,we will be waiting for you Jan.8
 BIG HUGS
 Ignacio
 Below are a couple of pictures from distribution of our water filters.





Puerto Vallarta Rotary Scholarships

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Nov 24, 2013

On Saturday, November 16, new AER member Duff Pfanner and his wife Kathy Atkinson attended the presentation of scholarships (becas) by the Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary club. Duff and his wife in August provided a scholarship to a university student and at last Saturday's presentation they met the high school student to whom they provided another scholarship. Sandra Wicks and Bruce Phelps also provide scholarships to a university and a high school student, and Charlotte Tharp provides a scholarship to a high school student through the Puerto Vallarta Sur club, as well. Unfortunately, there are still over 50 students who were on the Rotary scholarship program last year who do not have a sponsor this year. Sandra and Bruce will be going back to Puerto Vallarta in January and would be happy to take additional scholarships down with them.





Boom - Cooking

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Nov 24, 2013

Boom spent the weekend with Youth Exchange Counselor Sandra Wicks and husband Bruce Phelps and undertook a lot of cooking projects, among them a raspberry/cranberry/pecan jello, gingerbread and cheese cake. In addition to eating a lot of the aforementioned, Boom also prepared a delicious vegetable stir fry for everyone. Pictured below is what remained Sunday afternoon of the jello and cheesecake. One whole pan of jello was consumed quickly, the but one pictured was for Boom to take back to his host family. Boom and Bruce went to the civic orchestra concert Friday night and the athletic club Saturday morning, and Bruce and Sandra and Boom went to the movies Saturday night. Plus Boom gave Sandra a private showing of his presentation about Thailand. If you missed his presentation at Rotary you might want to make an appointment with him for your own private showing.

Boom is a very enjoyable house guest, and it is a pleasure to share our culture with him. If you are not up to being regular host parents, think about becoming vetted to serve as an emergency house parent or weekend host. You can get the forms from Marjorie Poggas. Getting vetted is a little bit of a hassle, but the hosting, even for a weekend, is worth the bother.



Tell Us YOUR Story

Posted by Michelle Drew on Nov 26, 2013

The communications committee would like to thank all of those AER members that have written short stories and/or sent pictures of Rotarians in action: doing good, having fun, and making friends.

If you have a Rotary-related story, please send it to Michelle Drew (mdrew@bdo.com) for inclusion in the newsletter. "Rotary related" would mean an actual Rotary function or event (thanks SUE LINFORD for the GWCTD pic!), a service project (thanks to SANDRA WICKS for many international stories, thanks to AMY SLINKER for her community service reports), a youth exchange or rotaract activities (thanks to TAM AGOSTI-GISLER, thanks to BARBARA KAGERER), or even just a quick note about a fellow rotarian who has been honored for their community service works or other notable achievements. Let us know if you have stories about other ROTARY CLUBS in Alaska or Outside - Great Projects or activities that will inspire others to service.

Please send your pics along as well (please note, due to space and time constraints, we are attempting to limit photos to no more than 3 per story).

It would be impossible to mention everyone who has contributed by name, so let us just say THANK YOU to ALL AER members who have contributed to the newsletter and encourage others to do the same. We want to know YOUR rotary story.



Monthly Club Events - 2013-2014

Posted by Michelle Drew on Aug 07, 2013

Weekly Anchorage East Rotary Club Meeting

The weekly Anchorage East Rotary Meeting is held at the Anchorage Downtown Hilton. The food line opens at 11:30 am and the meeting starts at noon. Lunch is \$21 and coffee with dessert is \$8.

Mobile Food Pantry

Mobile Food Pantry distribution is the second Saturday of each month at 1:30pm at the Fairview Recreational Center. Contact Dave Kester d.kester@alaskausainurance.com for more information.

AERIE Meetings (Anchorage East Rotary Information & Education)

All members are welcome to join the monthly AERIE meetings and learn more about Rotary International and our club. For 2013-2014 AERIE will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 am at the Alaska Bagel Restaurant located on Northern Lights at C Street. Red badge members come with an update of your blue badge status. Blue badge members, come for a makeup. Contact Jeff Blake if any questions: jeffb@fidelityak.com or jcblake@gmail.com

AER Board Meetings

Regularly monthly board meetings will be held the 3rd Tuesday of the month at **4:30 PM** in the **first floor board room of the UBS Financial at 3000 A Street**. Board meetings

occasionally move or are changed so check the "Events" section of the bulletin or the the club runner website. All are invited to attend. It counts towards getting your blue badge and as a meeting make-up.

Rotary Foundation Thought

Posted by Michelle Drew on Nov 24, 2013

Week of November 24 - This week's **Rotary Foundation Thought** is about: **CELEBRATING THE FOUNDATION**

"Rotary International's masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation n....It transforms our most daring dreams into the most splendid realities... .The Rotary world and even the political world are already aware that The Rotary Foundation is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity -a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind....Only God achieves the impossible, but The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve." -1990-91 RI President Paulo VC. Costa

Solomon's groaner of the week!

Posted by Gregory Solomon

A thief who stole a calendar . . . got twelve months.

Advertise with Rotary!

Posted by Michelle Drew on Sep 10, 2013

CLUBRUNNER is our website and newsletter program, but it is not free. In order to pay our annual dues we have to sell advertisements. Consider advertising your business on clubrunner and in the Eastwind.

Ads are only \$50 for four weeks and the online ads link directly to your website.

OR, consider advertising on our in-meeting half-sheet program - ads are \$50 for four weeks there as well. These items are rarely left on the tables.

Want to place an ad? Contact Michelle Drew.

mdrew@bdo.com

Got some news!?

Posted by Michelle Drew

If you have news you want to share with the club, please let us know! Contact Michelle Drew at mdrew@mcc-cpa.com

Have some interesting news about yourself? Your family? Anchorage East is one big, happy family and wants to hear about our members! But remember, just like in meetings, announcements must be limited to personal/family news, news related to you, your family or another club member. Thanks!

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