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Hello Michelle! This email has been generated just for you as a member of our club. We hope you enjoy receiving this newsletter!

Editor Michelle Drew
If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor.

Speakers

Feb 05, 2014

Ed Graff and Tam Agosti-Gisler
Anchorage School District

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Club Events

International Service Fundraiser
Home of Raquel Edelen
Feb 15, 2014 06:00 AM

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Stories

Refugee Assistance - Service Opportunity

Posted by Laurel Hummel on Feb 04, 2014

AER members have an opportunity to donate their time in a meaningful and measurable way: by helping recent refugees prepare for their first job interview. Refugee and Immigration Services' Education Center conducts classes and mock interviews each Tuesday from 11:30 to 1:00. One Rotarian volunteer is requested for each class to act as the prospective employer at the mock interview. Specifically, the Ed Center requests a total of three or four volunteers who each commit to one or two classes each per month. The reason is that RAIS has to run background checks on volunteers, which costs them about \$30 per volunteer. If you could spare 90 minutes once a month at mid-day on Tuesday, please contact Laurie Hummel. Don't let business trips or vacations stop you from committing to this worthy project, as we can have a substitute roster if we get enough volunteers. The Ed Center is located near Costco on the eastside (approximately Debarr and Bragaw). Thanks for considering this wonderful opportunity to help new Alaskans help themselves by getting jobs!

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Helping Creekside Park Elementary Schools

Posted by Laurel Hummel on Feb 04, 2014

Creekside Park, a 100% Title I school (100% of students qualifying for free and reduced lunches) in East Anchorage asked for our assistance to enable their children and families to participate in the Kids in the Kitchen program. This program is co-sponsored by the American Kidney Association and United Way, and is a series of cooking classes in the evening pairing volunteer restaurant chefs with kids and their families to promote good nutrition, the lifetime skill of cooking, and family fun. Creekside Park was lucky enough to get a commitment from Chef Justin Persons of Double Musky Restaurant, and several other groups have stepped up to help offset food and the slow cookers (aka crock pots) they will be using. Creekside Park has asked us for \$600 to help make this outstanding program a reality. YOUR generous donations at last week's meeting netted \$520. Laurie Hummel will be passing the bucket again Wednesday to give those who were unable to attend the opportunity to donate, and the rest of us the opportunity to drop a few more dollars in. Below is the message received from school nurse Lillian Anderson after delivery of \$520 last Wednesday:

Thank you so very much, Laurel!!!! You and your amazing club totally rock, as the 5th graders would say!!

Also, if you or other Rotarians would like to come to the classes and meet the Celebrity Chef, Justin Persons of The Double Musky Inn fame, and our 5th grade Junior Chefs, you are more than welcome to do so. The classes are Feb. 19, Feb. 26, and March 5 here at Creekside 5:30-7:30 pm.

Scholarship Student - THANK YOU MARY ROHLFING

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Feb 04, 2014

Mary Rohlfing generously provided scholarships to three students in their final year of high school through the Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary club's scholarship program. I was there for the scholarship presentation and gave Mary's students a picture of her, so they would know who is helping them complete high school.



Water Filters for Corrales

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Feb 04, 2014

You will recall that Cliff Baker, Shirley Nelson, Bruce Phelps and I (Sandra Wicks) delivered 7 water filters and buckets from AER to the El Tuito Sunrise Rotary club the first week of January for delivery to the fishing village of Corrales, where AER had already supplied 60 filters

through an international matching grant with the Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary club. Because the road to the coast was washed out, we left the filters with the El Tuito club to deliver later. Recently the president of the El Tuito club and several of that club's members took the filters to Corrales (a 1.5 hour drive on dirt roads). They were able to deliver four of the filters and they sent me a picture of the four filter recipients and the members of the El Tuito club. The man holding our AER logo is the president of the El Tuito club. We weren't given a list of the seven families who were missed in the first filter delivery, and only four families were located on this delivery. If the final three families are not located, there are three schools in other villages that need to have a filter. I will report later about the final distribution of the remaining three filters.



[Kathleen Madden meet's Boom's Family on her recent trip to Thailand](#)

Posted by Sandra Wicks on Feb 04, 2014

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Mary Rolfig - Major Donor

Posted by Gideon Garcia on Feb 04, 2014

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With heartfelt THANKS to Mary for her generous donations to Rotary Foundation!

Stephen Checks In From Finland

Posted by Dawn Kimberlin on Jan 28, 2014

Life here in Finland has been going along smoothly as usual and i am now moved in with my new host family('s) I made a big change from my previous family where I was an only child for the first time in my life to the seventh child of the Pirinen/Lehikoinen family. My host parents Mervi and Jouni found each other after previous marriages and now are happily engaged to be married. I am so happy for them mostly because they compliment one another so well, the other is that it will be a very good excuse to come back to Finland. I also will hopefully be going on a trip with the music school to Hungary to play in an orchestra there for a week.

its hard to believe that the exchange year is already half over, i guess time really does fly when you are having fun, i miss you all and thankyou so much for all the support you have given me.

Stephen Kagerer

Follow Stephen's blog! <http://stephenak-fin.blogspot.fi/>

Photo Captions:

1. My daily walk home

2. My host mom wanted me to make a pie so here it is!



Hats and gloves needed for elementary school students

Posted by Gregory Solomon

According to a teacher-friend of mine at Fairview Elementary School most of her students come from low-income families and don't have the basic winter clothing like hats & gloves! Ages 5 to 7 years old. This is one of those oppertunities to jump in and help.

Fred Meyres has one-size-fits-all sweater-gloves for one \$1.

Also, the following items would be helpful:

- Sweat pants
- Sealed snacks
- Elmers glue
- Scissors
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Markers
- Colored pencils

I can be the collector at meetings and will deliver to the school as long as it takes to help these kids out.

THANK YOU AER MEMBERS! \$180 was raised at the Jan 15 club meeting. I purchased 20 sets of mittens (there were on sale at FredMeyers for \$1.47 for 2 pair! 10 stocking caps marked down to \$3.47ea, 25 sets of crayons, and 25 glue sticks. Rene at Blaines donated a box of about 50 pencils. I still have \$50 to buy colored pencils and markers. They could still use Sweat pants & Sealed snacks if you could help out.

Thank you,
Greg Solomon
Anchorage East Rotary Club
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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 Dec 17, 2013

Week of December 17 - This week's **Rotary Foundation Thought** is about: **Supporting the Foundation**

"I believe in donating annually to The Rotary Foundation because it's my foundation. If I don't do it, then how can I convince others to give?"
-District Governor Atmaram "Ram" Gawande



Solomon's groaner of the week!

Posted by Gregory Solomon

A boiled egg is . . . hard to beat.



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@bdo.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!

Michelle's Commitments

Current Club Committees

Committee	Role
Team December	