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District 5010 Monthly Newsletter

March 1, 2011

Greetings from District Governor Jane Little

March is Literacy Month



March is Literacy Month in the Rotary World and just one of the many projects for literacy in our district is to provide dictionaries to elementary school students. If you have not participated with your club in distributing the dictionaries, I strongly recommend that you volunteer to help. You will be amazed by these young people – just ask someone who has distributed the dictionaries about their experience.

A very important message this month is an update on the redistricting of District 5010 into an Alaska/Yukon District and an Eastern Russian District to be officially designated on July 1, 2012. I sent an e-mail previously with the RI Board of Directors decision and I can now give you some exciting news about what is in the planning stages. I will give you monthly updates of our progress so continue to read the newsletter!

Our current district leadership will assist in preparing the Russians to operate their own district. There will be a transition committee and Rotary International Director Ken Grabeau has appointed me to be the chairperson. We will have up to 7 members comprised of Alaskans and Canadians from the Yukon, and a transition committee on the Eastern Russian side comprised of up to 7 Russians. There will be a liaison from each committee so that there will be consistency and continuity. Michael Kunitsyn from the Rotary Club of Novosibirsk-Initiative will be in charge of the Eastern Russian committee. He is a dynamic young Rotarian and very committed to having the new district succeed.

The transition period will be for 3 years even though the official date is a little over a year away. We will immediately begin developing a plan for the transition in order to set the tone and direction before the July 1, 2012 date. Alaska/Yukon will continue to work with Eastern Russia during the transition. Many of you throughout the district expressed concern about being able to continue to work with the Russians. I want to assure you that as long as the Eastern Russians want our assistance and support, we will be there for them well beyond the completion of the transition period.

The new Eastern Russian District will need to show progress and commitment by developing their membership and increasing their giving to The Rotary Foundation. The Eastern Russians will need to develop their independence, set specific goals, and become more involved in service. Our RI Directors Ken Grabeau and Bryn Styles will be working closely with us to ensure that this will be a successful endeavor. If the progress at the end of the 3 year period is not acceptable to Rotary International, then there is a definite possibility that Eastern Russia will be combined with Western Russia. It is important that we all work together in order to keep that from happening.

Eastern Russia is the best trained new district in the history of Rotary International. There will be opportunities for anyone in the district to be able to have a part in this transition planning. Please let me know if you would like to get involved and in what area you would like to participate.

We are definitely Building Communities.....Bridging Continents!!



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Deadline for District and club news, including club events, activities and fund-raisers is the 20th of the month.



News from District Governor Jane Little Russian Translation

Март – месячник борьбы с безграмотностью. В марте мы дарим словари школьникам начальной школы – это один из многочисленных наших проектов. Если ваш клуб еще не принял участия в таком проекте, то я вам настоятельно рекомендую, чтобы вы оказали нам помощь в осуществлении этого проекта. Дети просто удивят вас при встрече. Попросите кого-нибудь, кто принимал участия в таком проекте рассказать о своих впечатлениях.

Для этого месяца у меня есть очень важное сообщение для вас.. Это касается реорганизации Округа 5010 в два самостоятельных Округа – Североамериканский Округа и Дальневосточно-Сибирский округ .Разделение произойдет 1 июля 2012 года. Я уже отправляла информацию о решении Совета директоров РИ, а сейчас я бы хотела более детально остановиться на том, , как это будет происходить. Ежемесячно я буду сообщать вам о новостях и о том, что сделано. Читайте мои послания.

Руководство нашего Округа будет оказывать помощь в подготовке российской части округа к отделению и управлению своим округом. Будет создан комитет по переходному периоду. Директор Ротари Интерешэшенел Кен Грабе назначил меня председателем этого комитета. В комитет будет входить 7 представителей Аляски и Юкон и 7 представителей российской части округа. Будет налажена тесная связь, с тем, чтобы была преемственность и продолжительность. Михаил Куницын, РК Новосибирск -Инициатива, будет отвечать за российский комитет. Это активный молодой человек, крайне заинтересованный в том, чтобы новый российский округ 5012 был бы успешным.

Переходный период рассчитан на три года, хотя официальная дата отделения чуть больше, чем через год. Мы разработаем план, который будет внедрен в мае 2012 года. В плане мы разработаем, как и в каком направлении мы будем развиваться. Во время переходного периода будет продолжена совместная работа ротарианцев Аляски\Юкон и российских ротарианцев. Многие из вас выразили свои сомнения и тревогу о том, сможем ли продолжать совместную работу с новым российским округом. Я хочу вас заверить, что мы будем оказывать помощь до тех пор, пока российские ротарианцы буду обращаться к нам за поддержкой. Мы будем оказывать вам поддержку и после окончания переходного периода.

Новому Округу необходимо будет показать прогресс в своем развитии, особенно в вопросе роста численности и увеличения вкладов в Фонд Ротари. Российскому Округу необходимо доказать, что он может существовать как независимый округ, поставить перед собой определенную задачи и более активно принимать участия в деле служения Ротари.

Директора РИ Кен Грабе и Брин Стайлз будут плотно работать с нами, для обеспечения успешной деятельности. Если через 3 года не будет прогресса, и наша деятельность не будет удовлетворять требования РИ, то есть большая вероятность слияния нового округа с Округом 2220. Нам необходимо сделать все, что от нас зависит, чтобы этого не произошло.

Дальневосточно-Сибирский ОКРУГ самый обученный округ в РИ. У каждого из вас есть возможность внести свою лепту в планировании переходного периода. Сообщите мне, кто хотел бы быть вовлеченным в этот процесс.

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Rotary District Governor - Club Nominations Needed

Dear Rotary Club President, President Elect and Secretary,

The Rotary clubs in our district have many outstanding past presidents, dedicated to providing service to Rotary and who bring life and leadership to our clubs. Serving as district governor is an opportunity for these committed Rotarians to bring the same leadership and service to our Rotary district. **Now is the time for your club to nominate an outstanding past president for district governor. Your club's nomination is due no later than April 30, 2011.**

As you know, it is an exciting time in our district as it moves toward a new structure on July 1, 2012. That is the time when our huge district becomes two with North America and Eastern Russia becoming their own entities. This also means that we will select two future governors for the North American district. Those will be the Rotarians who serve as governor for the Alaska-Yukon clubs in the 2012-13 and in the 2013-14 Rotary years.

In addition to service to Rotary, serving as governor is an opportunity for a Rotarian's personal growth and many new experiences, before, during and after the governor year. For example, past district governors may be appointed to Rotary International committees and resource groups, may be invited to represent the RI past president at other districts' conferences, and are the only individuals eligible to serve as the district's delegate to the Council on Legislation, as trustees of the Rotary Foundation or members of the RI Board of Directors.

As chair of the nominating committee for District Governor for the 2011-12 Rotary year, I am asking that your club consider which of your past presidents would be great leaders for our district and share the enclosed information with them. (It will also be on the district website at www.rotary5010.org.) If they feel they can make this commitment, I encourage you to nominate them for this important office.

In general, the baseline qualifications are met by many past presidents in the district. To summarize RI's requirements for district governor nominees:

- Membership, other than honorary, and in good standing of a functioning club in the district from which they are nominated
- Service as past president of a Rotary Club for a full term or as a charter club president for at least 6 months
- Demonstrated willingness and ability to fulfill the

duties and responsibilities of the office

- Membership in one or more Rotary Clubs for a total of seven years at the time of taking office
- Ability and commitment to meet additional requirements for taking office

To nominate a past president, your club must pass a resolution adopted at a regular membership meeting, signed and dated by the club president and the secretary. Attached is a draft resolution for your use. Email submission is highly preferred, sent to rotary5010@ak.net. It may also be faxed as shown on the attachment.

If your club would like someone to speak about the selection process or the position, please let us know. We can also schedule a time to talk with the past presidents in your club who may wish to consider this exciting opportunity, now or in the future. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact me or any of the nominating committee members shown on the attachment.

Candidate interviews will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2011, in Homer, Alaska, immediately preceding the North American District 5010 Assembly/Conference.

We look forward to receiving a nomination from your club.

Gayle Knepper
Chair, District Nominating Committee
rotary5010@ak.net

Have more questions or need information specific to your situation? Contact a Nominating Committee member. Carolyn Jones (Anchorage East) 907-346-2838, cjones@alaska.net; Diane Fejes (Anchorage) 907-265-1203, dfejes@kpmg.com; George Elgee (Juneau) 907-789-3178, george@ermcpa.com; Clyde Boyer (Homer) 907-376-3241, vivandclyde@gmail.com; Skip Cook (Fairbanks) 907-452-1855 skipcook@mac.com; Merrill Sikorski (Soldotna) 907-262-4949, sikorski@caringforthekenai.com; Bill Hopper (Anchorage) 907-337-7330, billhopp2003@yahoo.com; Gayle Knepper (Anchorage East), Chair, 907-351-8076, rotary5010@ak.net.

(See Club Resolution Form on p. 10.)



Resolutions Create Waves of Change

By Bob Rehfeld, Administration Committee Chair

The District Conference brings together all Rotarians in District 5010 to: recognize the service programs and projects of our district, inspire Rotarians to greater involvement in service, share a vision of Rotary beyond the club level, enjoy a memorable fellowship experience and provide opportunities to interact with Rotary leaders. The RI manual of procedure recommends the district conference address a variety of matters. One of these is to consider and adopt recommendations of matters of importance in our district and beyond. Virtually any matter may be addressed in the form of a written resolution, provided such call to action is in accordance with the RI constitution and bylaws and it is in keeping with the spirit and principles of Rotary. At district conference, Rotarians will be asked to vote on resolutions submitted by clubs, the District Council of Governors and the RI board of directors. The District MOP also has a provision for passing resolutions at the District Conference on an emergency basis. The focus of this article is how clubs and the District Council of Governors submit resolutions at District Conference.

Here in District 5010, the process for submitting resolutions by clubs and the Council of Governors is addressed in Section XII of the District Manual of Procedure (MOP). Amendments or additions to the District MOP and any other Resolutions that are in keeping with the RI constitution and bylaws may be proposed by either a club or by the District Council of Governors. Resolutions submitted by a club or the District Council of Governors must be adopted at a regular meeting of its members. All Resolutions must be submitted to the District Governor at least 45 days prior to the opening date of the District Conference. With this year's District Conference beginning on June 16,

club resolutions should be submitted to District Governor Jane Little by April 30, 2011 which coincides with the deadline for club's nominations for District Governor.

The District MOP further requires the District Governor to submit all resolutions to the District Awards and Resolutions Committee which will prepare and distribute copies of the resolutions to the President of each club and to all the Past District Governors at least 30 days prior to the opening of the District Conference. The chair of the District Awards and Resolutions Committee will present the resolutions at the business meeting of the District Conference for conference action.

In the coming weeks, Club Presidents and Past District Governors will be receiving further instructions and a template for submitting Resolutions for action at the District Conference. The same information will also be posted on the District 5010 website in both English and Cyrillic.

In closing, some question whether Resolutions have any relevance or the process can serve as a catalyst for meaningful change. Consider a hotly debated issue at the 1993 District Conference in Anchorage, when conferees overwhelmingly approved and handed a strongly worded resolution to RI representatives attending the conference that essentially demanded RI to incorporate Eastern Russia into District 5010. In less than two months following adoption of the resolution, the RI board of directors voted to add eastern Russia to District 5010. Resolutions can create waves of change.

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Voting on Resolutions at District Conference

Rotarians attending district conference have an opportunity to vote on a variety of resolutions that are submitted by the clubs, our Council of Past District Governors, by the RI board and by the members themselves attending the District Conference. According to Article VIII, Section 4 of the District 5010 Manual of Procedure (MOP), resolutions are approved by a majority vote of Rotarians present and voting at the Conference except as otherwise specified in the RI MOP or the District MOP. The exceptions are contained in Section 15.050.2 of the RI by-laws which is part of the RI MOP. For the exceptions in this section, only members present whose clubs have selected and certified them as Electors may vote on the following matters.

Only Electors may vote on the following matters: selection of a governor-nominee, election of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, composition and terms of reference of the nominating committee for governor, election of the club representative and alternate representative of the district to the council on legislation, and the decision as to the amount of the per capital dues levy. The by-laws require that when voting on the selection of the governor-nominee, all votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same candidate. Finally, any Elector has the right to demand a poll upon any matter presented to the conference. In such cases, voting shall be restricted to Electors.

The number of Electors each club may select, certify, and send to the district conference is essentially based on the size of the club. Every club may send at least one Elector to the Conference. Any club with a membership of more than 25 shall be entitled to one additional Elector for each additional 25, or major fraction, thereof, of its members. For example, a club with a membership of up to 37 members is entitled to one elector. A club with 38 to 62 members is entitled to two, a club with 63 to 87 may send three and so on. Club membership is determined by the number of members in the club as of the date of the most recent semiannual payment preceding the date on which the vote is held. Each member must be a member of the club and the Elector must be present at the district conference to vote although the by-laws provide for a proxy process upon consent of the district governor.

In planning for this years District Conference, a Club Elector Designation Form and complete instructions will

be sent to the club presidents by the end of April. The resolution and credentialing forms and procedures will also be posted on the District 5010 website. Since we are using the RI January 1, 2011 semiannual report, clubs need make sure they have paid their RI dues or risk losing your vote at District Conference.

If you have any questions, contact Bob Rehfeld in Juneau at (907) 789-3178 or write to bob@ermcpa.com



Foundation Seminar March 26, 2011
Open to all Rotarians

Come learn where the money comes from that supports all the good things we Rotarians do in the world. Learn about Permanent Fund, Annual Program Fund, and Polio Plus. In the afternoon we will learn about Grants and the ways you and your club can spend the money contributed to The Rotary Foundation.

Lunch will be served.

Time: 10:00-2:30

Cost: \$10.00 to cover for lunch

Location: First National Bank Alaska
1751 Gamble, 2nd Floor Conference Center
Anchorage, Alaska

This is a great opportunity for all Rotarians to learn more about The Rotary Foundation.

Please RSVP by March 18th to foleyhs@alaska.net or 337-4303 so we are sure to have ample food.

Hope to see you there!

Sue F. Foley
District 5010 DRFC



Profile of Ann Marie Larquier, District 5010's 2011-2012 Ambassadorial Scholar to Malaysia, In Her Own Words...

I am honored to be selected as one of three Ambassadorial Scholars from District 5010 this year. In August, I travel to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to study at the University of Malaya and carry out the objectives of the scholarship. These objectives include promoting international goodwill and understanding, developing as a humanitarian leader, and implementing Rotary's mission of Service Above Self.

"The true meaning of life is to plant trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit." These words by the pioneer Nelson Henderson help express my reason for applying for the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. My interest is not in planting trees, but in establishing the roots for sustainable, clean water resources. Malaysia is on Rotary's list of Encouraged Study Regions for Ambassadorial Scholars. I am happy to serve a part of Rotary's mission by participating in the "balanced geographical distribution of scholars."

I am currently a graduate student at Alaska Pacific University working to complete my thesis in hydrology and water resources through the Master of Science in Environmental Sciences program. My education and career aspirations have been focused on the scientific aspects of water resources. The opportunities I have participated in have profoundly impacted and fueled my drive and desire to use the scientific knowledge I have gained to implement humanitarian service projects internationally. This Rotary scholarship is the perfect opportunity to combine my hydrological knowledge with a chance to pay forward the generosity that I have received in support of my academic and personal development.

Logistically, this is a wonderful chance to implement benevolent service acts and learn from others in goodwill positions, while gaining a more thorough understanding of global water resource issues. Through this Rotary study abroad opportunity, I will learn to act as an advocate and ambassador regarding water issues, and gain knowledge and training in water sustainability. Water is a vital resource to both the human and natural world and I wish to build bridges and be engaged internationally through communicating and implementing knowledge on this topic. By learning strategies to anticipate and mediate hydrological conflicts and break the cycle of waterborne diseases in developing communities, I hope to increase cultural awareness and understanding.

The term *hydrophilanthropy* which is defined as "the altruistic concern for water, sanitation, and related needs of

humankind, as manifested by donation of labor, resources, or money," describes exactly what I strive to engage in. While in Malaysia, I hope to utilize the full benefit of my education by applying the knowledge and skills I have gained to address the conservation needs of international communities. My interests align well with the Rotarian Action Group addressing Water and Sanitation: to improve life and livelihood through the provision of safe water and sanitation.

High growth rates have drawn heavily on the water resources of Malaysia, despite its being a country that is accustomed to frequent downpours. With 98% of the total national water use derived from surface water river systems, the need for Integrated Water Resources Management on large scales (watershed protection) and small scales (village scale eco-powered water treatment systems) is imperative. I aspire to do my part to help stop the unsustainable exploitation of water resources and aid in implementing simple steps available to facilitate the end to water crisis through clean drinking water technology.

Upon completion of my term as an Ambassadorial Scholar, I plan to return to Alaska and apply what I have learned to local communities in our state. As for particular career opportunities, I hope to dedicate my career to enhancing quality of life through scientific and humanitarian applications of clean water in my Alaska community. This may include applying my knowledge to remote areas of the state that I love through environmental consulting opportunities, non-profit work, or through a position with a governmental agency.

Poet W.H. Auden conveyed the importance of water with his words "Thousands have lived without love, not one without water." I'm fortunate to have been raised in communities that have fostered in me an open-minded spirit, cultural understanding, and interest in serving others. I am deeply honored to be representing our Rotary District 5010 in Malaysia and living up to the amazing privilege I have been given. Thank you!





Our New Ambassadorial Scholars Receive Orientation in San Jose
By Chris Thompson, Chair - Scholarship Subcommittee, North America

The Rotary Foundation requires each Ambassadorial Scholar to attend an orientation prior to their departure to their host country. A variety of topics are covered, ranging from public-speaking skills, seeking local service projects, wisdom of past Ambassadorial Scholars, connection with local host-country Rotary clubs, and learning how to make the most of the scholarship opportunity.

A regional orientation opportunity was made available to us in San Jose on February 4-5, 2011 at the Rotary International West Coast Regional Ambassadorial Scholar Orientation. Both of District 5010's new North American Ambassadorial Scholars attended along with their sponsors/designees. Ann Marie Larquier attended with a substitute sponsor; Heather Karwowski (President of Anchorage Rotaract Club), filled in for Ann's Anchorage Rotary Club sponsor, Hans Neidig, who was called out of town at the last moment. Kaitlin Vadla was accompanied by her sponsor, Sarah Riley of the Soldotna Rotary.

When asked about the conference, Ann Marie Larquier shared the following:

Past alumni really emphasized how important it is for us to execute Rotary's mission of "service above self," and how to engage with your local Rotary group upon your return. One speaker noted that the monetary value of the scholarship is roughly equal to the cost of 44,000 polio vaccines, so we should be honored by our selection, and also take our mission of promoting international goodwill and cultural understanding with great responsibility.

She also noted her main takeaway was "...that we, as scholars, have been bestowed with an opportunity of great honor and that it is up to us to live up to the amazing privilege we have been given."

Sue Foley and Tom Turner of East Anchorage Rotary, and Hans Neidig of Anchorage Rotary worked tirelessly to ensure travel arrangements for these scholars and sponsors.



At top, Kaitlin Vadla and Ann Marie Larquier show off Rotary pins they were presented. Above, Sponsor Heather Karwowski, Ann Marie Larquier, Sponsor Sarah Riley, and Kaitlin Vadla meet at the airport after an exciting weekend at the orientation.



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District 5010 Youth Exchange "Schuss-out" orientation held in Juneau

Over the weekend of 13-16 January about 100 people involved with Rotary District 5010 Youth Exchange gathered in Juneau for the annual "Schuss-out" Winter Orientation. District Chairman Tom Martin oversees student exchanges in Alaska, Yukon Territory and in Russia. This year, Tatiana LiDinzi, the Russian Youth Exchange Coordinator, joined her district colleagues in the workshops and training.

The conference, an annual event, included 24 Inbound Exchange students from 17 countries currently in Alaska and the Yukon Territory, 24 Alaska/Yukon students who are outbound to their new host countries this summer, 15 rebound students who have been abroad and returned to serve as exchange student leaders, and more than 40 adults who serve as Youth Exchange Officers (YEOs) and district level coordinators who work with students to ensure they are prepared to serve as student ambassadors.

"Schuss-out" (so named because of its origin at Alyeska Ski Lodge) is the time when students who have been selected by 23 District Rotary clubs learn which country they will be living in for 11-12 months, and offers them their first chance to begin to prepare to be ambassadors. The students receive training in cultural awareness and assimilation from Dennis White, a PhD Psychologist from Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. They engage in cultural role playing, team-building activities and strategies for having a strong exchange. They are counseled about the "6 Be's" (Be First, Be Curious, Be on Purpose, Be Grateful, Be of Service, Be Here Now) and the 5 D's (don't drink, don't use drugs, don't drive (motorized vehicles), don't

seriously date, and the catch-all, don't do dumb things!) Current inbounds also receive training and counseling in support of their year in the district and help the outbounds prepare for life in their new host country. Each inbound student has been charged to raise enough money to fund one Shelter Box during their year in the district. Rebound students provide guidance and leadership while sharing their experiences having been abroad.

The capstone event of the weekend was a banquet in which students were notified of their country in an academy awards type setting.

Local organizer, Doug Eckland, worked with Cheryl Combs, the Outbound Coordinator, and local businesses to make sure Alaska's capital city hosted a top-notch event. Students went rock-climbing, saw a local movie, visited the State Capitol, and were fed by some great local restaurants. YEOs spent a significant amount of time learning about the new reporting requirements imposed by the US State Department to ensure our program meets the strict requirements to protect the safety and welfare of students while meeting all immigration requirements for securing student visas.

Rotary Youth Exchange will be represented at the district conference in Homer in June by several rebound students who will share their experiences and insights building communities and bridging continents as student ambassadors on the ground level of another country.

If you are interested in knowing more about District 5010 Rotary Youth Exchange please visit the website at: <http://www.ye5010.org/> or contact your club's Youth Exchange Officer.

Club Focus Juneau

Juneau Rotary & Bartlett Regional Hospital offer outdoor safety expo

In the fall of 2008, Juneau Rotary Club member Brian Andrews and his son Brandon disappeared on a short flight between Admiralty Island and Juneau. The following spring, the Southeast Alaska Outdoor Safety Expo (SOS) was launched by the club to not only celebrate the many outdoor activities available in Juneau year-round, but to better prepare residents for the challenges they present. Totally free of charge for all participants, that initial event included well-known organizations such as Juneau's Seadogs, Trail Mix and the Department of Transportation's "Bicycle Rodeo."

Now in its third year, SOS has been renamed **Ready, Set, Survive!** and is planned for the Nugget Mall on Saturday, April 2. To further emphasize the importance of safety, the Juneau Rotary has joined forces with **KIDSAFE**, a bi-annual offering of Bartlett Regional Hospital that focuses on the safety of Juneau's younger population.

According to Jim Strader, a member of the Juneau Rotary Club and Community Relations Director for the hospital, "In the past, KIDSAFE was held every other year, bringing together over 30 organizations and more than 100 volunteers and Bartlett staff to provide safety tips and



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demonstrations for children and their parents. It's a natural fit for us to work together with Rotary to expand that effort – and reach. **Ready, Set, Survive!** will get the message of safety, both indoors and out, to all ages.”

The planning committee is working to make sure every organization and business that should be included is – from the fire department and US Coast Guard, to AEL&P, the US Forest Service, Cooperative Extension and the Alaska Department of Fish & Game. Outdoor equipment and clothing stores are also being encouraged to attend the event that will incorporate the entire mall for exhibits and seminars take place throughout the day.

For more information contact Brenda Hewitt at 907-957-1261 or Brenda@Hewitt.net.

Juneau celebrates big weekend

The Juneau Rotary Club held its tenth annual wine auction and grossed a record \$31,000. Our special guest was DG Jane Little.

On Saturday, DG Jane participated in various Rotary projects, including a presentation by local artist Amie Weimer, whom the club had commissioned to paint a mural on a large wall in a parking lot next to where we meet at the Baranof. The mural is the

Juneau Rotary Club's 75th anniversary project. DG Jane attended this event then walked down to observe the mural. Later in the day she visited the various sights of the all-club food drive. The clubs collected a record of over 15,000 pounds of food that was donated to our local Food Bank.



Top, DG Jane Little at Juneau Rotary's 75th Anniversary mural; above, DG Jane

Club News



Rotary Club of Homer Downtown member Vivian Finlay helps a third grader at Nanwalek look up a word in his new dictionary, donated to him through the club's annual Dictionary Project.

Anchorage Interact Club start-up meeting March 15

The Rotary Clubs in Anchorage are attempting to help charter a community-based Interact Club for 12-18 year olds. Our organizational meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2011 from 5-7 PM in the 4th floor conference room at the Loussac Library in Anchorage. Please encourage attendance and involvement by all the teens you know!

We will elect officers and choose two community service projects to tackle. Pizza will be provided! Please RSVP to Cheryl Myers.

Contact Cheryl at Cheryl.k.myers@gmail.com or RC Woodson at rewoodson@hotmail.com for additional information.

Valdez Club back up and running after hiatus

The Valdez Rotary Club has been active for more than 25 years, that is up until a few months ago. At that point the Club decided to take a short break, and then reevaluate the Club and its future. I am happy to report the Valdez Rotary Club is back up and running. We still have some bumps and curves ahead, but I am confident we will overcome them, and become a club known for its community, district, and international service and contributions. We thank all of those clubs and members who have supported us, and continue to support us as we rebuild a prospering Club in Valdez.

RESOLUTION

THE ROTARY CLUB of _____

WHEREAS _____ is a member in good standing of the Rotary Club of _____; and

WHEREAS _____ has served a full term as President of the Rotary Club of _____, or at least six months as a charter president; will have been a member of one or more Rotary Clubs for seven or more years at the time of assuming office as District Governor, and holds a classification other than honorary; and

WHEREAS _____ agrees to serve if selected; agrees to attend the Rotary International Assembly for its full duration, and otherwise meets all qualifications of a governor nominee as specified in the Rotary International Manual of Procedure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rotary Club of _____, at its regular meeting on _____, 2011, suggests the nomination of Rotarian _____ as District Governor for (choose one) ___ 2012-13; ___ 2013 – 14; ___ 2012-13 or 2013-14.

President

Date

Secretary

Date

Nominee's Contact Information

Email

Preferred Phone

___ home

___ work

___ cell

The final date to send club resolutions is April 30, 2011. Forward to Gayle Knepper, Nominating Committee chair, rotary5010@ak.net. Email submission is highly preferred; if needed, it may also be faxed to Gayle at 919.714.0485. Due to time limitations, please do not mail.