Anchorage South Rotary's

Weekly Newsletter

For meeting on: August 6th, 2015!



Reporter: Laurel Renkert

Greeter: Dan Locke Introductions: Laurel Renkert

Invocation: Paul Michelsohn Flag Salute: Carl Reed

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Happy Bucks:

- Many ASRotarians have been playing host to a group of fellow Rotarians from Niles, CA. Sam Lazenby arranged their "exchange" and we will send Mike & Sunny Morrison down to CA in retribution.
- Amy Mackey-Hornak brought guest Dawn Adams, she is a realtor with Keller Williams as well as the secretary for the Board to Abolish Slavery Coalition.
- Dan Newman brought guest Ed Bailey with Patterson Insurance Brokers.
- Walt Murphy is back (temporarily). His move back to C-eh-N-eh-D-eh went well and is in a new Rotary club already. They have 30 members.
- Ross Johnston brought an entire table of guests!
- Sam Lazenby had a fabulous time out on the water with our California friends. They even had glacier ice for their toddies!
- Eric Sobolik and his wife Lindsay are expecting TWINS!! Start passing that basket now...
- Manuel, from Niles, CA, reports that they are having a fabulous trip.
- Doran Powell's daughter is back in Anchorage and working for BDO.
- Bill Finley appreciates the little things in life, such as getting in his car and hearing Black
 Sabbath on the radio.
- Matthew Nicolai has a happy/sad buck he caught 16 fish but then was caught behind the Seward HWY accident for 11 hours. According to my calcs, he could feed himself 1.45 fish/hour while waiting!

- Martin Childers took a plane up to the "top of the world" on Sheldon Air. They landed on (one of) the glaciers of Denali.
- Mike Ferris got a special love note from wife Shannon...most women appreciated it.
- Mark Mitchell is celebrating his Medicare benefits as he is now 65!
- Scott McMurren took a helicopter ride in Girdwood and landed on the 20-mile glacier.
 He and Martin are now in a "staycation-off."
- Jess Gutzweiler is taking the reins of getting care packages together for Phil Reed. Please bring Alaskan items to contribute, especially jerky and other cured meats.

Miscellaneous:

Jess Gutzweiler – No Fine Button
She auctioned off a pair of tickets to a "Cocktails for a Cause" event. Did you know that 1 in 2 women diagnosed with cancer reach out to the American Cancer Society? ACS is saving an estimated 500 lives per day. Let's support Jess and her noble cause!

Canandaigua Trip:

Terri Hall has spent a lot of time planning a great trip back to her hometown. The dates are October $4^{th} - 11^{th}$ and it promises to be a fun adventure! Activities include, but are not limited to, a botanical garden, historic homes and districts, carriage museum, NIAGRA FALLS, Erie Canal boat trip, copious wine and a winery tour...AND the beautiful fall colors! Contact Terri if interested.

Program:

Chris Constant - "Mayor of Fairview"

As a Fairview resident for many year, Chris believes that the homelessness problem in Anchorage is concentrated in the east-downtown and Fairview area. Although we have supportive housing for some of these chronic inebriates, the housing is located in this very neighborhood. Chris would like to see a dispersion of housing and resources for these individuals – we will not see positive progress until we get them out of their current environment and into a new one (i.e. another part of town). Part of his vision for Fairview is heavily dependent on the rebuilding/restructuring of Gambell – such changes have funding and are in the works! Chris feels that Anchorage is finally reaching a "critical mass of awareness" and we will no longer be able to ignore the homelessness issue any longer. It is his hope that positive change is inevitable.

The 4 Way Test

Is it the TRUTH
Is it FAIR to All Concerned
Will it Build GOODWILL and Better
Friendships
Will It be BENEFICIAL to ALL Concerned

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