Anchorage South Rotary







November 29, 2012

HAPPY BUCK\$

<u>Dave Stratton</u> is happy about his recent Thanksgiving holiday spent out at the cabin with his family. The grand kids are tough as they were skating on the beaver pond for some time at temps below zero.

<u>Lyn Whitley</u> has a remembrance buck for Jim Crocket, the Executive Director of Bean's Café, who recently passed away and for all the great work that he did for our community.

<u>Doran Powell</u> is happy to announce that this is our last big push for raffle ticket sales! Keep up the good work and use your electronic media to sell those tickets. It works great.

<u>Susan Kaer</u> is happy to introduce her guest Justin Thompson.

<u>Carolyn Tubbs</u> is very happy to announce that she has sold her house and has finalized her divorce. A big "YAHOO!" as the dead weight is gone.

Scott McMurren is happy about his recent trip to Kona where it was quite a bit warmer than here...

<u>Chuck Becker</u> is happy to be back from his recent volunteer effort to help with the Hurricane Sandy American Red Cross clean-up effort. He comments that the individuals residing in these areas were hit very hard. The American Red Cross is spending money on this effort like crazy; so, please donate if you are able.

<u>Dean McVey</u> is happy to be celebrating his 20th Rotary Anniversary. He also recently went on a successful white tail deer hunt.

<u>Michael Archer</u> is happy to share some great letters and comments from the 3rd graders receiving their dictionaries.

<u>Colleen Baer</u> is happy to share some great memories about her Father who recently passed. She commented that one of his favorite beverages was black velvet. In memory of her father she and her other family members decided to partake in a shot at the bar. It was awesome! Ten shots are only about \$5 bucks total.

Pete Armstrong is happy to announce that he will be heading off to Hawaii to recover.



12/6/12 - ASR Business Meeting

12/13/12 - 12 Days of Christmas Raffle Drawing

12/20/12 - Christmas Lunch

12/20/12 - Children's School Lunchbox Collection Day

PRESIDENT:

Kevin Van Nortwick

REPORTER:

Michelle Engelke

GREETER:

Rabah Chettfour

SPLIT THE POT:

Nate Baer

FLAG SALUTE:

Bob Twing

INVOCATION:

Mike Morrison

INTRODUCTIONS:

Mary Fairbanks

SGT AT ARMS:

Kevin Taylor

PROGRAM SPEAKER: John Sturgeon, The Timber Industry/Alaska Forest Products Industry

Timber harvest has been taking place on Afognak Island since the 60's. Historically, most timber was harvested from the Tongass National Forest; however, this area is one of the most controversial areas to conduct a harvest. Federal land managers are challenged every step of the way by environmentalists. It is well documented that special interest groups not only place the timber industry at risk, but others as well.

Afognak Island, being that it is private land, has fewer challenges; however, it is not challenge free. There are roughly ten remaining years for logging in this region. Once the timber is harvested, sorted and loaded on to ships it goes to market in China, Korea and Japan. Much of the timber is used for fine musical instruments and for Japanese housing components.

Much effort is placed on reforestation which is conducted by either aerial seeding by plane or by hand planting.

The timber industry has the potential to create and provide 1,000's of good paying jobs.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Michael Archer 12/4
Bob Conklin 12/25
Jerry Bever 12/25

Susan Kaer 12/31

DECEMBER CLUB ANNIVERSARIES!

 Michael Archer
 12/1/1982

 Dave Stratton
 12/1/1983

 Jerry Bever
 12/12/2002

 Kevin Taylor
 12/20/2001



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tiki Dolls and Love Beads

In honor of their service to our fearless leader Kevin Van Nortwick for assisting with running our meetings for the past three weeks; Doran Powel, Dan Locke and Mike Morrison were presented with special thank you gifts from the Hawaiian Islands.

- ~Doran Powell was presented with the Lucky Tiki for his efforts with our raffle.
- ~Dan Locke was presented with the Happy Tiki (you will need to ask Dan's wife about the details of this recognition).
- ~Mike Morrison was presented with the Long Life Tiki.

Our next food drive for the **Children's School Lunch Program** will be on Thursday, December 20th. Please visit http://thechildrenslunchbox.org/ for a complete listing of food items that can be accepted. A few suggestions are....Canned goods; chili, chicken, ravioli, tuna, vegetables and soup. Miscellaneous items; oatmeal, fruit cups, granola bars and instant mashed potatoes (the small size).

Karl Berglund (Exchange Student) Not sure how to reach Karl? He can be reached at 907-717-6444, home: 907-349-8868, or via email: karlberglund@gmail.com The best way to reach Karl is by sending a text message.

The No Fine Button

And the No Fine Button is awarded to Kevin Van Nortwick! Given his recent efforts to understand Obama care, and the fact that he has been studying volumes of documents containing the rules and regulations of this requirement; he feels the need to share. He promises that we will all have something to RAGE about.

Congratulations!
Congratulations to Brandon Snodgras for completing his classification talk and for ridding himself the Red Badge.

Paul Harris Awards

Mike Morrison Susan Kaer

Nominations for 2014-2015 Club Officers:

President: Dean McVey Ken Anderson Secretary: Treasurer: Ginger Gorsuch



Many cranes are needed for the Fur Rondy float, Feb 23, 2013...

http://www.origami-instructions.com/origami-crane.html

Comings and Goings....

Proposed for Membership:

Ingrid P. Larson-Alexander, Trust Officer

Leave of Absence:

Resignations from club:

Kevin's Korner:

Unless we make Christmas an occasion to share our blessings, all the snow in Alaska won't make it 'white'. Bing Crosby

Make sure to count your blessings this Christmas and share them with someone.