



Rotary Club of Juneau - Downtown

# The Windjammer

**JANUARY 15, 2013**  
**ROTARY AWARENESS**



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- January 22: John Venables- Celebrating Ernest Gruening Day
- January 29: Sustainable Practices at the Alaska Brewing Company
- February 5: Lt. Gov. Mead Treadwell
- February 19: Wayne Jensen— Capital Building Renovation
- February 26: Jim Underwood (former Club member) "Josh the Otter" Project

## OTHER HAPPENINGS

- January 24-28: District 5010 YEO Schussout
- January 28: Board Meeting, The Brewery, 5:30pm
- February 15: Annual Wine Auction, Mendenhall Auto. Learn more at today's meeting.

## JANUARY GREETERS

- 1/22: Bob VanSlyke, Greg Wagner & Beverly Ward
- 1/29: Don Warriner, Bob Weiss & Karen West

## This Week's Program:

### Kip Knudson: "The View From DC"



Kip Knudson is the Director of State/Federal Relations for Alaska Governor Sean Parnell. Knudson advocates in the federal executive and legislative branches for the Governor's priorities of: securing Alaska's future through economic development; supporting the military; improving education; insuring public safety; and, maintaining and developing Alaska's transportation infrastructure.

He has held private sector positions at Tesoro Alaska and Era Aviation, and served as an Alaska House of Representatives Finance Aide and a Deputy Commissioner for Aviation at the Alaska Department of Transportation.

Knudson and his wife Paula are the proud parents of fifth grader McKinley.

**Welcome Kieshan!** Our new Inbound, Keishan Pillay, arrived in Juneau on Friday evening, January 11th. He spent the weekend with his new family, the Forsts, where his new host sister, Kaitlyn, introduced him to snow and a favorite past-time -- SLEDDING. (This weekend was his first time experiencing anything cooler than hail!) On Monday, Keishan registered for classes, and is gearing up for swimming, psychology and a house building elective.

Shown here with Keishan, welcoming him to Juneau: President Ann, Virginia Stonkus; 2013-14 Youth Exchange, Kieshan Pillay/ South Africa; Barb Sheinberg, Sally Saddler, and YEO chair, Caitlyn McLaughlin



From Sally Saddler, DISTRICT YEO Inbound Coordinator: "I just love the holidays when former inbound exchange students get in touch and let us know how they are doing. Here is a short update from Thompson Kwan who stayed with DeWitts and Campbells while in Alaska in 2009-10":  
*I am doing well. I just got back from vacation with my high school friends.*

*I am done with my high school and in university now, studying about civil engineering.*

*I am not sure if I will come back in short time, maybe after I finish my university?*

*I would love to come back and I miss Alaska for sure, the people, the weather and snow of course!*

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**January is ...  
Awareness Month**

From RI President Sakuji Tanaka: "I am a Japanese businessman, and I wear a suit almost every day. The Rotary pin is always on my lapel. It is there because I am proud to be a Rotarian. Anywhere I go, people will see the pin and know who I am. Other Rotarians will see it and know that I am a friend, and people who are not Rotarians will see it as well. I want to be sure that all of them also understand the meaning of this pin.

This is why I am asking all of you to wear your Rotary pin and to raise awareness of what the pin means. I believe having that pin on your lapel changes you. It makes you think more before you speak and before you act. It makes you remember, all the time, that you are a Rotarian – and that as Rotarians, we are here to help.

All of us should be ready to talk about Rotary. When someone asks you about that pin, you should be ready to answer them. What is Rotary? What does Rotary do? These are questions that each of us should always be prepared to answer.

We cannot go to prospective members and ask them to join Rotary only because we want more members...This is a feeling that I want to share with others. And I know that one way to do that is through bringing in new members. But we must also do it by raising awareness of Rotary and Rotary's work, by focusing on our public image and wearing our Rotary pins every day."



Planning for this year's rose sale is underway — with roses from COSTCO — boxed and ready to go for delivery on April 11th. The committee also decided this is likely to be the last rose sale, looking to Brewfest and perhaps one more event to raise as much (if not more) money. Selling officially begins on the 18th. More info at today's meeting.

Thanks to the diligence of Karen and Bridget, all of our Foundation money from the auction made it to RI by December 31, so members should be seeing donation acknowledgements for their 2012 contributions. There was a miscommunication about the final payments, which were credited twice, so if you made a contribution and received duplicate acknowledgments from The Rotary Foundation (TRF), just ignore one of them. Thank you to our diligent Treasurer and Administration Chairs!! They do so much — behind the scenes. Say "thanks" when you see them!



**COMPETE & EAT DEPT:** From Angela Gowdy, Co-chair, Capital City Rotaract: "This week, I stopped by your Rotary clubs to announce our upcoming events. Regarding the 2013 Chili Cook-Off for ShelterBox, we have important documents for people potentially interested in participating...Thank you so much for the continual support you give Rotaract - It's truly appreciated." Contact Angela at [juneaurotaractors@gmail.com](mailto:juneaurotaractors@gmail.com) or check out our Clubrunner site as it may be there, as well!



From Wine Committee member, President Ann: Bob will be announcing the kick off of ticket sales for the Wine Auction, which is scheduled for Friday, February 15 at Mendenhall Auto. Tickets are



\$45 and include the glass. Wine Committee members will have them available, so buy early and often but sell to folks who will participate in the silent and outcry auctions. There is no raffle this year, but there will be a signup for Progressive Wine Tasting, 20 people (two sets of ten), minimum \$100 per ticket.

