



Rotary Club of Juneau - Downtown

# The Windjammer

January 22, 2013



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 29: Sustainable Practices at the Alaska Brewing Company

February 5: Lt. Gov. Mead Treadwell

February 12: Aaron Morrison, our newest club member—An Update on the **SLAM**.

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. \$45/ticket.

February 18: Annual Rose Sale officially begins.

## JANUARY GREETERS

1/22: Bob VanSlyke, Greg Wagner & Beverly Ward

1/29: Don Warriner, Bob Weiss & Karen West

## This Week's Program:

### John Venables: Celebrating Ernest Gruening Day



John Venables is an eleven year resident of Alaska. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. In 1946, at age seven, his family moved from Pittsburgh to the Miami, FL area. After graduating from Florida State University in 1962, he served in the military as an army Lt. from 1962-1964, where he was attached to a Pentagon intelligence unit. Most of adult life was spent in Florida in credit management and medical computer industry.

John Venables main activity since 2006 has been presenting Alaska history programs in schools, libraries, museums, senior centers, adult assisted living facilities, nursing homes and public venues.

In 2007, he received a \$5,000.00 grant from the Alaska Humanities Forum for a new program on Judge James Wickersham. In 2008, he received a \$20,000.00 grant from the Alaska Humanities Forum/Rasmuson Foundation to help cover travel expenses during the 50th Anniversary of Alaska Statehood celebration. (His time was donated for the programs.)

The latest activities of his Alaska Living History is to promote awareness of the two Alaska state holidays and the eight individuals recognized by the Alaska legislature of a Day of Honor. First Alaska Day of Honor program for the calendar year 2013, February 6th, Ernest Gruening Day.



## CAPITAL CITY ROTARACTORS

Rockwell's is sponsoring and hosting a Rotaract fundraiser – a Mardi Gras celebration --February 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00 pm until whenever! The cover charge is tentatively \$10 – open to those 21 years and older! "The event will help Rotaract to continue doing the work we love to do for another year, so please promote and/or join us there if you're able!"

On March 22, 2013, Rotaract will be hosting our **2013 Chili Cook-Off** for ShelterBox! We're looking for Chili Chefs so if you or anybody you know might be interested, contact us!

Thank you to everybody who donated money and Price Smashers for our Christmas Dinner Box Project. We Rotaractors worked hard to set-up and organize this project, but we couldn't possibly have done it without you! Also, thank you to the wonderful volunteers who helped us pack the boxes. We had a smaller turn out than last year, but were able to pack 200 whole Dinner Boxes in 24 minutes!



**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Bill Ray Center in room 205 (not 110). Contact [juneaurotaractors@gmail.com](mailto:juneaurotaractors@gmail.com) or check out (and like) their Facebook page!



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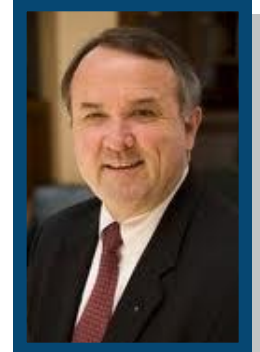
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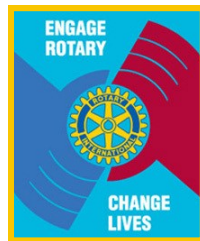
RI President-elect Ron Burton will ask Rotarians to *Engage Rotary, Change Lives* in 2013-14. He unveiled the RI theme during the opening plenary session of the 2013 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, the annual training event for incoming district governors. "If we really want to take Rotary service forward, then we must make sure that every single Rotarian has the same feeling about Rotary that each one of us here has today," Burton said. "We need to make sure that every Rotarian has a meaningful role to play, that they're all making a contribution, and that their contribution is valued."



Burton said the July launch of The Rotary Foundation's new grant model, Future Vision, makes it an exciting time to be a Rotarian. He said the new grant model, which has been used by about 100 pilot districts since 2010, represents a new era for the Foundation, and will help Rotarians get excited about Rotary's ability to change lives.

"It takes everything that is wonderful about Rotary and raises it to a new level — by encouraging bigger, more sustainable projects while providing increased flexibility for local projects, both of which address the needs of the community being served," he said.

Burton asked the incoming district governors to take the lead in helping their clubs through the transition, with the assistance of their district Rotary Foundation chairs, who also attended the assembly this year. The training sessions are focusing heavily on equipping these leaders to go back to their districts as experts on the new grant model.



**In other Club news:** Planning is beginning for this year's Ready-Set-Survive. We're looking for someone from our Club to take the lead in working with Bartlett Regional Hospital and the Nugget Mall. See Sharon.



Work is underway on the inbound itinerary for this year's GSE Team from Brazil. They'll tentatively be in Juneau from Tuesday, April 29th—Sunday, May 5th. Afterwards they'll go to Sitka and then on to the District Conference.

By the way, you can still register for this year's conference in Ketchikan, May 9-12. Underwritten registrations are still available (reimbursable up to \$225/the early bird rate). See President Ann.



And in case you haven't heard — congrats to our Club— and to Drew for his great coordination efforts of this year's bell ringing. According to the good Captain, we raised \$4,470.00 — the highest total for all of Juneau's Clubs.

"There IS a Free Lunch" — when you use our handy-dandy *prepaid meeting card*. For \$162 dollars, get \$180 dollars worth of lunches and/or coffee! In other words, you'll get 10 lunches/30 coffees — or any combination there of— for the cost of nine lunches/27 coffees. That means you don't have to run your credit card each week or dig in your pockets for cash! Get yours today...

