

# The Windjammer

Today's speaker

## Telling the stories of Alaska

Ernestine Hayes was born and raised

in the Juneau Indian Village when Alaska was still a territory. When she was 16, she moved with her mother to California, and she didn't return until she was 40 years of age. After her return, she enrolled at the University of Alaska Southeast and went on to the University of Alaska



Anchorage to obtain her Master's of Fine Arts, after which she came back to Juneau and began teaching. Her first book, "Blonde Indian, an Alaska

Native Memoir," received the American Book Award and was a finalist for the PEN Nonfiction Award and the Kiriyami Prize. Her second book was a children's book published in the Tlingit language as well as English. Her third book, "Juneau," part of the Images of

America series, was just released and is now available at bookstores.

#### Calendar

January: Rotary Awareness Month

- **Jan. 7:** Club meeting. Speaker: Author Ernestine Hayes.
- Jan. 8: Board meeting.
- Jan. 14: Club meeting..
- Jan. 21: Club meeting.
- Jan. 28: Club meeting.

### Everything's coming up roses



Denny DeWitt's tour of California included a stop behind the scenes at the Tournament of Roses in Pasadena, Calif. While there, he took a minute to check out Rotary's entry in the parade.

TMHS Interact Club launches 'Juneau to Jinja' campaign to aid Uganda

The Thunder Mountain High School Interact Club is a taking on an ambitious

service project instead of a vacation over

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#### Greeters

- Today: Mark Boesser and Sally Saddler.
- Next week: Win Gruening and Bob Van Slyke.

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### 'For Auld Lang Syne'



Laurie and Doug Gardner help ring in the new year by playing the classic tune "Auld Lang Syne" on the pipes. J. Allan MacKinnon snapped this photo at the Dec. 31, 2013 meeting. Perhaps he'll enter it in the Rotary Zone 24-32 Five Avenues of Service Photo Contest. For more on the contest, visit bit.ly/1dcLq0W. To enter, visit adobe.ly/1ht29Pb.

# RCOJ picks officers for coming year

At its Dec. 31, 2013 meeting, the Rotary Club of Juneau voted on its leadership team for the 2014-15 Rotary year.

Karen Morgan will serve as president; John Blascoe, president elect; Bridget Lujan, vice president; Armando DeGuzman, treasurer, and Luke Fanning, secretary.

Congratulations to all and thank you for your willingness and ability to serve Rotary.

### Jinja

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spring break, and is reaching out for your support.

Each year, Interact students select local and international projects to support through fundraising and service. This year's project is in partnership with Interact Club of Lords Meade Vocational College (a secondary school) in Jinja, Uganda (www.lordsmead.org). Rotarian Michelle Strickler is in regular communication with the school director, Rotatian John Kirkwood, and Interact advisor, Rotarian Joseph KirigwajjoTamale, at Lords Meade as the project develops.

While the entire TMHS Interact Club is working to raise between \$1,000-\$1,500 and

support the project, a smaller group of students will also be traveling to Uganda to deliver supplies and participate in the service aspect of the project from March 13-25, 2014. While the Glacier Valley Rotary Club is sponsoring the group, and the students have taken on fundraising events including a booth at Public Market and an Ugly Christmas Sweater Fun Run, the students are also hoping to gather both monetary contributions and donations of miles for the Juneau to Seattle leg of the flight to contain costs.

The costs are anticipated to be between \$2,000 - \$2,500 per person, including airfare from Seattle. Costs in-country are

approximately \$50/day/person and cover housing, food, water, and transportation, as well as most group activities. The students plan to fundraise approximately ½ of the total cost for team travel and all of the project material costs (books, medicine, field trips, and other contributions to the joint project with Lords Meade Interact Club).

If you'd like to pitch in, reach out to Strickler via email at stricklermichelle@gmail.com. Checks can be sent to: Michelle Strickler, Juneau to Jinja Team Project Leader, P.O. Box 35592, Juneau, AK 99803. Please write "Interact Juneau to Jinja Project" on the memo line.