

Rotary Club of Juneau - Downtown The Windjammer

Jacek Maselka, NOAA Fishery Biologist

JANUARY 8, 2013 ROTARY AWARENESS



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 15: Kip Knudson-State of Alaska, Director of State—Federal Relations (in Washington) — "The view from DC" ...an update

January 29: Sustainable Practices at the Alaska Brewing Company

February 5: Lt. Gov Mead Treadwell

February 19: Wayne Jensen-Capital Building Renovation

<u>February 26</u>: Jim Underwood (former Club member) "Josh the Otter" Project

OTHER HAPPENING\$

January 11: KESHAN PILLAY ARRIVES, AS#67— 7:10PM/1910 hours (for Keshan)

January 24-28: District 5010 YEO Schussout (Winter Orientation) & Outbound country assignment banquet

January 28: Board Meeting, The Brewery, 5:30pm

JANUARY GREETER\$

1/8/13: Sally Smith & Larry Spencer 1/15: Wayne Stevens & Virginia Stonkus 1/22: Bob VanSlyke, Greg Wagner & Beverly Ward 1/29: Don Warriner, Bob Weiss & Karen West



This Week's Program:

According to Jacek, he is "...a fisheries research biologist with NOAA Auke Bay Laboratories", and "...has been actively researching the effects of marine debris on the Alaskan environment since 2008. "

He has a B.S. in Biology, with a minor in Statistics from the University of Alaska-Fairbanks, and has been at the Auke Bay Lab since 1994. His official NOAA bio notes his "SPECIALIZATION AND RE-SEARCH INTERESTS" focus on "Non-parametric statistics, analysis of compositional and ordinal data", as well as Marine debris research, which is what he'll be speaking about today.

Additional information about Jacek calls attention to

his extensive experience as a mountain climber — and as an instructor in UAS' outdoor studies program where he's taught (or is teaching) rock and ice climbing, glacier travel/crevasse rescue, and mountaineering.



Keeshan Pillay hails from South Africa, but for the next year, he'll be the Rotary Club of Juneau's Inbound. The invitation has been extended to come to the airport this Friday at 7:10PM to welcome him after his long journey.

A well-rounded student, Keeshan is interested in electronic engineering and tries to keep his studies relevant to that pursuit. In addition to studying, he swims, plays other sports, and plays the guitar... as well as Play Station, on occasion! You'll learn more about him when you meet him, but we thought it would be good to quote something he wrote in his application to participate in this exchange: "...As an exchange student I hope to accomplish many things. My aims and goals are to learn a foreign language, a new culture and as much as possible about the country. I hope to succeed and share experiences at the school I attend. I would enjoy teaching as many people about my life back home and I would like to challenge myself to try and adapt as an exchange student as quickly and easily as possible. I also look forward to meeting the new friends I shall make and my host

families. When I return from my experience I hope to teach my friends and family as much as possible about the country I visited, the people I have met and the different culture that I have experienced."





In Memoriam ~ Former Rotary Club of Juneau member, Dave Fremming, passed away last week from brain cancer. Those wishing to send cards and condolences may send them to: Sharon Fremming, 3100 Turner Road SE, #429, Salem, OR 97302.

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Rotary Awareness Month is the month that emphasizes the importance of Rotary to Club members and the community. As a result, we'll be taking a look at Rotary — perhaps unknown (to some) facts about the organization.

Today we start with, "A Few of the Firsts" in Rotary history — for the benefit of our newest members... and some of those of us who may have forgotten.

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Chicago for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting. A second club was formed in <u>San Francisco</u> in 1908, and soon after, clubs began to pop up across North America.

On 1 August 1912, the Rotary Club of London became the first club chartered outside of North America. The Rotary Club of Dublin, Ireland, had been organized earlier, but didn't receive its charter until 1 May 1913.

Paul Harris was elected as first president of the National Association of Rotary Clubs (which later became Rotary International) in 1910, and is the only president to have served two terms.

From J. Allan MacKinnon "...Great news is that Margaret will be discharged from Virginia Mason Hospital (rehab unit) on Tuesday, Jan 8, 2013. It has been a long several weeks and plenty of challenges. We will be in Seattle for a few days ... staying at the Homewood Suites by Hilton, on Pike St...Thanks to all for your prayers, notes, cards and blessings, Kindest regards to all, Allan"

