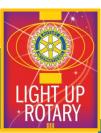


Rotary Club of Juneau — "The Downtown Club"

# *The Windjammer*



This Week's Program:

# **Disability Awareness & Employer Month**



Jorden Nigro is a lifelong Alaskan INDEPENDENT LIVING raised in Gustavus. She has spent the Inspiring Personal Independence past 15 years working in the social service field in Juneau and feels a

deep commitment to doing her part for the betterment of our community. Jorden and her husband (Bret) live downtown with their two tiny dogs (Rosie Mae - who loves the water and Arlo McGee - who hates it), five chickens (Only Pip got a name) and one grumpy cat (Iris). In her spare time she enjoys being creative in any way possible, being outside, spending time with her dogs, husband and friends and traveling. She has worked at SAIL for just over five years and is the Assistant Director.

Tristan Knutson-Lombardo is also a lifelong Alaskan raised in Juneau. He is the director of SAIL's adaptive recreation program, ORCA, and he maintains several certifications in outdoor leadership, safety and instruction. In his free time he coaches cross country running and skiing and can be found atop any mountain, any time of the year, with his partner Jess and their dog Aloe (who loves the water).

Vanessa Gabel was born and raised in Juneau, which makes her a "lifelong Alaskan" as well. She is the mom to 2 boys, Isaac (age 12) and Robbie (age 9), a wife to an avid hunter/fisherman (Mike) and has a dog named

Jack (who doesn't like the water). Vanessa enjoys typical Alaskan activities like hiking, camping, skiing, fishing, etc. She has worked for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation for 11 years, 9 as a counselor. She has a general caseload as well as a special focus on Transition aged youth (16-24), Blind and visually Impaired and Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

#### ...and raise funds for the foundation!

According to Foundation Co-Chairs Ann Metcalfe & Karen West. plans are well underway to "light up Rotary" and raise our club's annual donation to the Rotary Foundation. This year's goal is \$ 14,000.

Be sure to mark or remark your calendars for November 18. Due to the Veteran's Day holiday, the board decided to delay the annual event by one week. That's a week more for members to donate great experiences, dinners, art and other great items. Are you or someone you know a great chef or has an awesome specialty to share? Have a boat for a day's worth of fishing? Get creative! And speaking of which, don't forget to contact MaryLou if you're interested in donating a dessert for the dessert auction!



TODAY'S GREETERS Thves Shaub & Rustan Burton

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS** October 28-

Vocational Service Awards

Marian Clough & Laurie Gardner, Greeters

#### November 4-

Jason Amundson- UAS Professor of Geology- Juneau Ice Field Dynamics "Advancing and Retreating Glaciers"

> Michael Barton & Pam Halloran, Greeters

#### November 11-

Club Program fun & fellowship at noon!!

> Bruce Weyhrauch & Lynne Johnson, Greeters

November 18-Foundation Auction

#### November 25-

Juneau artist Sharon Lobaugh — "What I Have Learned So Far"

Mark Choate & John Sandor, Greeters

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### November 16 —

Brunch at the Glory Hole Make a difference, get a make -up. See Barb or Sharon.

November 18th — **Foundation Auction** 

## Rotary Club of Juneau Club News

### ROTARY CLUB OF JUNEAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2014-15

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#### **BOARD MEETING BRIEFS**

**BREWFEST III** was another huge success thanks to the efforts of our club members and our partner, the United Way of Southeast. Final accounting is forthcoming.



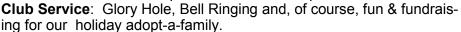
The board approved \$1,000 to join the other two clubs, Glacier Valley and Gastineau, to put a Rotary emblem on the **Food Bank** van.

**Literacy grant**: At the last meeting it was decided that monies left over in this grant were going to be donated to AEYC. However, all of the expenses for the mobile book giveaway had not been covered, so the remaining amount in the grant will go toward those expenses.

A Night at Perseverance: We are now trying to get a night during the run of *Odd Couple* in March. Should it occur, the money raised that evening will be donated to Polio Plus.

**Suicide prevention**: The Anchorage Downtown Rotary club has district grant funds for a suicide prevention project. Lance Walters is attending the meeting at the Juneau Suicide Prevention Coalition as our liaison to see what kind of involvement might come from our club. There will be a training on Thursday, December 4th for club members to learn how to identify signs those with suicidal tendencies and how to get them help.

Haven House: the conditional use permit was approved. President Karen has emailed the committee to obtain the next steps — stay tuned for more info once the action plan has been developed.



**Family Action Committee**: Regularly scheduled meetings are the first Saturday at Rockwells at 4pm.

#### FOUNDATION MONTH IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

November is "Foundation Month" and what better way to kick off the celebration than learning more about RIs fight to eradicate polio and where we are in the fight to end it. What have we accomplished? Can we make history together? WATCH THE 'WORLD POLIO DAY: MAKING HISTORY' LIVESTREAM.



No child anywhere in the world should have to suffer from this completely preventable disease. It only costs US60 cents to protect a child against **polio** for life. Rotary needs your voice to cross the finish line in the fight to end polio.

Join Rotary on World Polio Day, October 24th, for a <u>live-</u>

streamed global status update on the fight to end polio.

Guests will include Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners, celebrity ambassadors, polio survivors and special guests.

Tune in at 6:30 CT (3:30 PT) to watch live event and, if your so included, take part in the conversation... and get a better understanding as to why as a member of RI, you're a member of one of the most respected NGOs (non-governmental agencies) in the world!

