



Rotary Club of Juneau - Downtown

The Windjammer

February 19, 2013



LITERACY MONTH

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 12: Representative Jonathan Kreiss-Tompkins, Freshman Legislator, "What I Have Learned So Far"

March 19: Mac Metcalfe- Celebrating the 1963 JDHS Basketball State Champions;

March 26: DNR Commissioner Dan Sullivan- Update on Oil and Gas Tax Legislation

April 2: Thomas Barrett, President, Aleyaksa Pipeline "Increasing the Flow of Oil through TAPS"

OTHER HAPPENINGS

February 18-April 11: The Rose Sale

March 9: Tri-Club & Rotaract Food Drive

March 16: GV's BaconFest



April 30 -May 5: GSE Team from Brazil

July 2: "Changing of the Guard Banquet" The Baranof

GREETERS

March 5: Mark Bryan, Holly Cox



World Rotaract Week, March 8-14, 2013

This Week's Program:

Michelle Strickler— Rotarian, Volunteer... Uganda... and a Rotary Simplified Grant

Michelle grew up in the Midwest, graduating with an accounting degree from the University of Iowa. Upon earning her C.P.A., she went on to work in private industry including Deere & Company, Norwest Financial and Ford Motor Company, rotating through the various functions of auditor, accountant and analyst.

Married to Steve for 28 years, they have experienced eight moves across different states, the most recent being to Juneau four years ago. They have five children; the two oldest are attending universities in Washington, Sarah and Ben are in high school, and Luke is a 5th grader at Auke Bay Elementary School.

She is currently the owner of Caelum AK, LLC, a property investment and management business. Michelle enjoys volunteering and has served on a private school board, was President of Pocatello Lacrosse in Idaho, and is presently a member of the site council at Thunder Mountain High School.

As a new Rotarian, she has had the fortune of receiving a District Grant to support on-going work in the village of Mbiko, Uganda. During a recent two week visit to Uganda, a library was launched at a local primary school, a holiday food program was funded, and a seamstress pilot was put in place.



What can generous Rotarians plus a \$3,500 District Simplified Grant accomplish?



- * Launch a lending library
- * Feed 95 kids (and about 10 hungry adults) each day during the school holiday;
- * Stock the school storage closet with 3 gallon jugs of soap and 200 tubes of toothpaste
- * Treat 200 students for intestinal parasites
- * Teach 35 moms how to dream about a better futureHelp four families lift themselves out of poverty

... And so much more!



Kickin' It With Keishan (cell #209-4406)!! Those on deck for the four weeks in March:

- o March 4-10 – Bill Legere
- o March 11-17 – Bob VanSlyke
- o March 18-24 – Brenda Hewitt
- o March 25-31 – Bridget Lujan



When selected, you get to spend time with this amazing, interesting, and way too funny young man... and he gets to see Alaska through your eyes. Also, as you come across all those pins and other bling, don't forget — he's collecting! Bring it in to the next Club meeting.

March is "World Literacy Month"

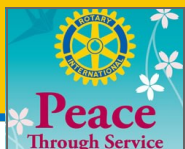
Don't Forget!!!
Tri-Club & Rotaract
Food Drive — Saturday
 March 9th, from 10:30-
 4:30 at Fred Meyer. Even if
 you haven't signed up for a
 contribution! Chair Luke is
 willing to collect items in
 advance for people who
 will be out of town or oth-
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 that day.



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Do you know of a high schooler (primarily freshman-juniors) who demonstrates leadership qualities and a commitment to community? (Or has the interest of cultivating these skills.) Then tell them to contact Pam Halloran, PHalloran@gci.com, immediately, to get more information and apply for RYLA, the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. It's an intensive training program that brings youth and Rotarians together to further develop character and leadership skills — and more about Rotary. Transportation costs are covered by Rotary. Application deadline is March 13.



Message from Foundation Trustee Chair, Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, "March is a Turning Point"



The month of March provides each of us with an opportunity to reflect on Rotary's accomplishments. It is during this month that we pause to recognize World Rotaract Week, International Women's Day, World Water Day, and Literacy Month — all significant reminders of the good that Rotarians have done worldwide.

As I've traveled around the world, I've been inspired by Rotaractors and their important contributions to the Rotary family. I've had the chance to work with the outstanding women who serve on our Board of Directors. I've witnessed the incredible progress The Rotary Foundation has made on water and sanitation — an area of focus that is crucial to our growing population. And as we begin this month long celebration of literacy, I've seen how Rotarians have helped empower communities with simple, creative, and sustainable ways to break the cycle of poor education.



Literacy plays a critical role in healthy and productive lives, and whether it was by volunteering at a local school, bringing language training to adults and children through concentrated language encounter and computer-assisted literacy systems, or ensuring that all children have the textbooks they need, Rotarians have helped thousands. Our promises and accomplishments have reached a turning point: We must now look at the goals we still aim to achieve. Keep the momentum up. Get the word out. Make sure your club knows about this important month in Rotary so that come next March, we'll have even greater successes to celebrate.



The Shoes Have It! Tuesday evening, February 26th — the wine, snacks and fellowship flowed as members and friends of the Club met at the shoe-shrine, AKA *Shoefly*. As these few pictures (and the newly outfitted toot-sies) can attest, a great time was had by all!



It's week two of the Rotary Rose Sale. You can either sell (at least) 12 dozen roses, or opt out, for \$250. The "opt-out" deadline is approaching, so if that's your pleasure, be sure to let President Brenda know. Otherwise, drive your friends, family, absolute strangers to the juneurotary-roses.com site to purchase their roses (and give you credit!), today! A few more drivers are needed for the 11th. See PE Brenda if you're interested in driving.