



# THE WINDJAMMER

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## UPCOMING

May 21

Rotary Board Meeting

May 26

Carol White - Taylor White Foundation

June 2

Dr. Eugene Huang, Southeast Radiation Oncology

## GREETERS

May 19

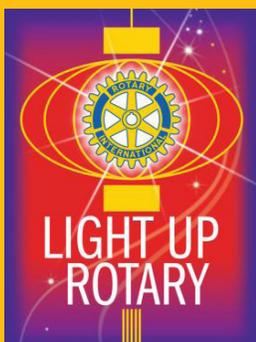
Sam Kito  
Laurie Gardner

May 26

Sarah Smith  
Steven Allwine



2014-2015 Rotary International Theme:



## This Week's Program: Coast Guard Rear Admiral Daniel B. Abel

Rear Admiral Daniel B. Abel assumed the duties of Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District in June 2014. He is responsible for all Coast Guard operations throughout Alaska which include protecting life and property, enforcing federal laws and treaties, preserving living marine resources and promoting national security. The Coast Guard's forces in Alaska total more than 2,500 active duty, reserve, civilian and auxiliary personnel, and employs 15 cutters, 52 boats, and 17 aircraft across an area of responsibility that includes portions of the North Pacific Ocean, Arctic Ocean and Bering Sea. Headquartered in Juneau, the District Commander provides operationally ready maritime forces to Coast Guard and Department of Defense Commanders for Coast Guard, joint and interagency operations both domestically and internationally.



In his previous assignment, Rear Admiral Abel commanded the First Coast Guard District. Headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, he oversaw all Coast Guard operations across eight states in the Northeast encompassing more than 2,000 miles of coastline from the U.S.-Canadian border to New Jersey and 1,300 miles offshore.

Rear Admiral Abel's other assignments include Deputy Director of Operations for United States Northern Command. As the principal advisor to USNORTHCOM, Rear Admiral Abel provided leadership and counsel supporting strategic mission guidance; including homeland defense and security operations as well as defense support of civil authorities. As Commanding Officer of Air Station Cape Cod, he oversaw all aviation support to the Coast Guard's First District. He acted as Project Manager for "Rescue 21," leading the replacement of the outdated distress notification and command, control and communications system along the nation's 95,000 miles of coastline. Prior staff tours include serving as the Coast Guard's Chief of Aviation Safety and as a Program Reviewer crafting and defending the service's budget.

Other operational tours include command of Air Station San Francisco, Operations Officer for Air Station Houston, Aviation Training Center standardization/instructor pilot for the H-65 Dolphin helicopter and his initial aviation tour as a search and rescue/law enforcement helicopter pilot in Miami.

His education includes a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, with High Honors, from the United States Coast Guard Academy in 1983. He also served as valedictorian of the College of William and Mary's Master of Business Administration class of 1994. In 2005, he was a distinguished graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) earning a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy. While at ICAF, Rear Admiral Abel completed the Department of Defense Senior Acquisition Corps syllabus, and subsequently earned his Department of Homeland Security Acquisition Program Manager Designation. He has earned qualifications in both the H-65 helicopter and the HU-25 jet. His initial officer tour was as a deck watch officer aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Dauntless homeported in Miami Beach.

Rear Admiral Abel's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, three Legions of Merit, and two Meritorious Service Medals. Admiral Abel is also an Eagle Scout.

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## INTERACT: SOCK DRIVE

The JDHS InterAct club is starting their annual sock drive through Buckner International Shoes for Orphan Souls. They will be collecting socks from within JDHS and calling businesses in town for donations. YOU CAN HELP! Soren Thompson will be giving a short presentation during our meeting so you can learn more. Additionally a donation bin will be available at future meetings if you can bring in new socks to donate. Contact [soren\\_thompson@yahoo.com](mailto:soren_thompson@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.



## THE ROTARIAN CONVERSATION: JEFF BRIDGES & BILLY SHORE

Thirty years ago, Billy Shore sat in bumper-to-bumper traffic in Washington, D.C., in an industrial neighborhood a few blocks from San Diego's shipyards, children start arriving at the brightly painted Monarch School at 6 a.m., an hour before classes begin. Some come early to take a shower or wash their clothes. Others eat breakfast or take a nap. Classes end



at 3 p.m., but many students stay for three hours of afterschool programs.

With about 400 homeless and transient students passing through its doors each year, Monarch is one of the few schools of its kind in the United States. The state-of-the-art facility also provides students with clothing, health care, counseling, and career training. Their families can get trolley passes, money to pay for birth certificates and other documents, translation services, and parent coaching.

“How can children focus on school if their tummies are growling, their shoes don't fit, and they don't even know where they are going to be sleeping the next day?” says Michelle Candland, who has been working with the school for almost two decades. Soon after joining the Rotary Club of San Diego in 1999, “I said I wanted to do something that involved helping children,” she recalls. “And one of the first things I was told was, ‘You need to see the PLACE. It'll change your life.’ And it has.”

The PLACE (Progressive Learning Alternative for Children's Education) launched in 1987, after Sandra McBrayer, an educator teaching at San Diego's juvenile detention facility and at a homeless shelter, felt that traditional schools were not addressing the needs of the kids she worked with. With funding from the San Diego County Office of Education, and operating under the auspices of the juvenile court system, the PLACE opened in a two-room storefront in San Diego's urban core. Homeless teenagers braved a gantlet of drug dealers, panhandlers, and prostitutes to get there.

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