



Rotary Club of Juneau - Downtown

The Windjammer

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May is Convention Month

May 9-12: District Conference in Ketchikan... still time to register!

May 11: Community Clean-up Day. Think

about cleaning our adopted stretch on the Egan — from Norway Pt. to the bridge.



May 13: Board Meeting, 5:30pm (Brewery)

May 14: Juneau Jazz & Classics ~ and a special Shelterbox presentation

May 28: American Cancer Society — The Past 100 years of Research

June 23-26: International Convention, Lisbon, Portugal

July 2: Changing of the Guard Annual Banquet Baranof Hotel

Today's Greeters: Heather Mitchell & Pam Halloran



Dick Knapp

May 21: Ruth Hamilton Heese, Wayne Jensen, Willis Kirkpatrick

This Week's Program: Marc Wheeler & Alida Bus

"Mudrooms—Building Community One Story at a Time"



Marc Wheeler has lived in Juneau since 1995 where he has worked as a conservationist, served two terms on the Juneau Assembly, and shepherded the Big Brothers Big Sisters program for eight years. Marc now works as the Associate Director of Research and Evaluation for Big Brothers Big Sisters of America from his home office in the flats. Marc is married to Jessica Paris and has two lively children, Celia (9) and Ferguson (5). In his spare time, Marc serves on the storyboard of Mudrooms, is the treasurer of the Juneau Montessori School board, and volunteers at KTOO-FM. Marc is a former member of the Juneau Downtown Rotary Club.



Alida Bus was born and raised in Juneau. Since graduating from Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Alida has been back in her hometown working as a legislative aide for Juneau's Senator Dennis Egan, completing an MPA from UAS, and blogging her way through the Fiddlehead Cookbook. Alida is a former Interactor, the daughter of Rotarian Nico Bus, and is a dual U.S.-Dutch citizen. Alida loves being involved with Mudrooms, as each story creates a stronger sense of place and community.



INVESTING IN THE FUTURE: President Ann presents UAS Director of Development & Alumni Relations Development Lynne Johnson, CFRE and Annual Fund & Alumni Relations Manager, Keni Campbell, CFRE with a check for \$9,701, part of the proceeds from our wine auction. The entire check will go into the principal of our Club's endowed scholarship fund, which needs \$150,000 to be permanently endowed. We're about halfway there, but were still able to take \$5,000 out of the spendable portion of the endowment for this year's scholarships. When fully endowed, we're hoping to be able to distribute \$6,000 annually.



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MAY We Celebrate! ... International Convention



In the Rotary calendar, May has been designated as the month to focus on the International Convention; this year's is in Lisbon, Portugal. If you've never been to a Rotary Convention, it's been likened to being at the United Nations – only the diplomats are thousands of Rotarians from all over the world. (Last year's convention in Bangkok attracted more than 35,000 attendees from 181 countries and geographical areas.) You soon realize that Rotary is more than a weekly luncheon, a community project or a fundraiser, but rather, one of the most respected non-governmental organizations (NGO) in the world.

For those of us in District 5010, May is also our district convention, which begins on Thursday in Ketchikan. It's here that many get their first taste of the bigger Rotary picture. Sessions and social activities educate, motivate and inspire. Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors from throughout Alaska and the Yukon, are joined by Rotarians and/or Rotary program participants from around the world – Youth Exchange students and the Group Study Exchange from Brazil.



The GSE Team left early Sunday morning on the *M/V Fairweather*, bound for two nights in Sitka until boarding the *M/V Columbia* for an overnight trip to the District Conference. To date, they've been in Anchorage, the MatSu, Fairbanks, Whitehorse, and, for the past week, in Juneau. Although much of what had been planned for them had to be cancelled or rearranged, when they left town on Sunday, it was with big smiles on their faces.



They had a great time, enjoyed the Capital City Rotary clubs' hospitality... and look forward to playing hosts to us in 2015 in Sao Paulo, Brazil! Above from left to right: Honey-mooner Humberto Godoy (newlywed environmental engineer), Team Leader Thiago Vieira (environmental engineer), Letânia Ulrich (secretary to the mayor), Leonardo Carvalho (lawyer and English teacher), and Fabricio Delite (college professor).



Special thanks to Warren Russell, Cori Badgley-Mills, Andy Mills, Bill Forman, President Ann and everyone else who worked so hard to make sure their time in Juneau was memorable. Show on the right, hosts and team members at the ferry terminal: From left to right: Linda Blefkin (GC), Karen Tarver (GVC and Juneau coordinator), Kevin Ritchie (GC); first row: Huberto, Letânia, Leonardo and Cherry Eckland (spouse); standing: Doug Ecklund, (GC), Lawrence Lee Oldaker (spouse), Thiago and Fabricio.



IT'S YOUR TURN! Congratulations to Cori Badgley, who gets to spend a little time with our amazing Kishan this week. Coming up? David Wetzel, week of May 13th, Denny DeWitt week of May 20th, and Don Warriner, week of May 27th. (Check juneaurotary.org to learn when you're scheduled.)

Talk about "kickin' it" — that's what Keishan did with a pass from our own Bruce Weyrauch's son Barclay passed the ball on to Keishan Pillay who, according to the EMPIRE, "... found the net for a 5-0 halftime advantage." The Bears went on to win that game, 8-1, as well as the remainder of their games over the weekend...

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