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Juneau-Gastineau Rotary

Channeler

Established 1988

Today's Greeter
Annette Smith

Next Week
Lloyd Coogan

Today's Program
Brian Holst
Juneau Economic
Development Council

January 11
Rick Caulfield
UAS Chancellor

January 18
Juneau Legislative Delegation
Senator Dennis Egan
Rep. Sam Kito III
Rep. Justin Parrish



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

Harry Kielsing
District 5010 Governor
Ian Riseley
Rotary International President



Some key indicators of local economic health are on down side

JGR member Brian Holst is in his tenth year overseeing a collaborative enterprise that researches and promotes Juneau's prosperity. And, according to the 2017 Juneau Economic Development Council's annual report, some of those key indicators are in decline. For example,

for the sixth year in a row, due to state cutbacks, Juneau lost public sector jobs – 260 government positions disappeared in 2016 alone (the year for which most recent data were available). While private sector jobs helped mitigate that loss, those jobs were not as well paying. And, in 2016, Juneau experienced its first population decline in ten years. Enrollment in local schools (Brian is in his second term on the Board of Education) and at UAS are both down. The average cost of living in Juneau remains about 30 percent greater than the national benchmark, although rentals and home prices stayed steady in 2016.

Holst is a former Peace Corps volunteer and previously had worked 20 years in emerging economies in Latin America and Eastern Europe. He is a JDHS grad and attended Notre Dame.



JGR caroled Dec. 21 for Pioneers. See more spirit of the season photos, p. 2

Thursday
January 25
4-6:15 pm
Glory Hole
Meal Prep
It's a make up!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY 6
JANUARY 13
JANUARY 30
JANUARY 30



JILL RAMIEL
JOHN MC CONNOCHIE
ROSEMARY HAGEVIG
STEVE RICCI

2018
Pillars of America
4/18 – Todd Huston
Amputee Athlete
4/25- Derek Clark
Former foster child
5/2 – Joe Torrillo
9/11 NYFD



Delivering holiday cheer keeps club busy in December

JGR bought a Christmas tree for the Pioneers Home and members purchased individual gifts for residents. The club gathered there to sing holiday carols the evening of Dec. 21. Doug Eckland served as Santa. At left he poses with the three daughters of Corey and Emily Wall. Below middle, he warbles with his wife, Mrs. Claus (Cherry) on the left, and Annette Smith, right. At right, he listens to Erik's holiday wishes.



Thanks, Claudette Kreuzenstein & Karla Schofield for pix!



29 years serving dinner at the Glory Hole

As usual, a JGR team cooked together at the Glory Hole the last Thursday of the month, Dec. 28. Sharon Cannon shopped, while Claudette Kreuzenstein cooked and prepped with, left, Lucy Ibesate and Annette Smith, and, right, Nicole Legere and Jacques Norvell. Claudette served with, above left, Kim Kiefer and Mila Cosgrove,



January - Vocational Service / February - Peace & Conflict Resolution / March - Water & Sanitation
 April - Maternal & Child Health / May - Youth Services / June - Rotary Fellowships / July - Leadership
 August - Membership / September - Education & Literacy / October - Economic & Community Development
 November - Foundation / December - Disease Prevention and Treatment

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