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Juneau-Gastineau Rotary

# Channeler

Established 1988

**Today's Greeter**

**Mila Cosgrove**

**Next Week**

**John Pugh**

**Today's Program**

**Mila Cosgrove**

**Deputy City Manager**

**January 19**

**Ken Alper**

**Director, Division of Taxation**

**Alaska's Fiscal Affairs**

**January 26**

**Juneau Legislative**

**Delegation**

**February 2**

**Erin Heist**

**Juneau Folk Festival**

**February 9**

**JPD Lt. Kris Sell**

**Year of Kindness**

**February 16**

**Reconstruction of**

**Second and Franklin**



## **"Priority-driven" process to guide CBJ, Assembly spending decisions**

A priority-based "holistic" process of budgeting is being used by city government and decision makers as Juneau faces a continuing squeeze on revenues. Deputy City Manager, Mila Cosgrove, will explain that process at this week's meeting. According to the Center for Priority Based Budgeting PBB "helps to

provide . . . 'a new lens' through which to frame better-informed financial and budgeting decisions and helps ensure that a community is able to identify and preserve those programs and services that are most highly valued." The process includes a 5-step "fiscal health diagnostic tool."

The city-borough budget for FY18 is \$318 million, essentially unchanged from FY17, according to the executive summary. About one-quarter of that is the local contribution to schools. About 30 percent, or \$96 million, of the CBJ budget is funded by local sales and property taxes. About \$71 million comes from the state, most of which is a pass-through to schools. That funding faced a \$3 million legislative hit and sales tax revenues are expected to decrease, too.

## **Former JGR president on the mend, back in Juneau**

Longtime member and former JGR president, Rosemary Hagevig returned to Juneau yesterday following a two-week hospital stay in Seattle. She was flown there Dec. 27, after emergency surgery here Dec. 23. She sends the following: *"Thank you so much for your kind words of encouragement and caring during this unexpected and difficult time. I am indeed fortunate to have wonderful family and friends in my life to help me through these tough times. I will be recuperating at home, but it may be a few weeks before I am back in the swing of things."*



## **Join Us!**

### **Makeups Matter!**

**Juneau Rotary**

**Tues., noon, Baranof**

**Glacier Valley Rotary**

**Wed., noon, airport**

**58° Innovators**

**Alternating Thurs., 5 pm**

**Rotating venues**

### **Friday**

**January 20**

**7 am**

**Board meeting**

**Prospector**

**Dining Room**

**(It's a make up!)**

### **January 23-26**

**Rotary Youth**

**Leadership Training**

**Fairbanks**

**(Seeking sophomores or**

**juniors; scholarships**

**available)**

### **Thursday**

**January 26**

**4 - 6:15 pm**

**Glory Hole**

**Meal Prep**

**(It's a make up!)**



**Northwind Architects,  
thank you for printing!**



The history of the Jensen-Olson Arboretum will be shared by Merrill Jensen, **Sat., Jan. 14, 7 pm**, at Egan Hall, UAS. JGR has contributed considerable labor to the city-run former homestead and garden at 25-mile, including a fence and, last summer, the Chilkat Shelter, built with design and labor donated by Ron King, Lloyd Coogan, Doug Eckland, James Bibb, and Eric Carver. *JOA photo*

### Membership anniversaries include two founders

**Peggyann McConnochie and John Pugh 29 years**

Jill Matheson	9 years
Annette Smith	7 years
Jill Ramiel	4 years
Marciano Duran	1 year

### Welcome, new members!

President Pam Varni, far left, welcomes new members Lucy Ibesate, who works for the Division of Retirement and Benefits, and retired educator Mary Capobianco, second from right, with sponsor, Karla Schofield, far right. *Candy Behrends photo*



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

## KIVA loan total nearly doubled in last 3 years

Food enterprises in Ecuador, Myanmar, and Sierra Leone, were repeat recipients amongst 13 KIVA loans of \$25 to \$100 OK'd last week by seven JGR members at Candy Behrends'. Since 2008, 572 loans have been made, totaling \$61,000 (nearly double the \$32,000 as of December 2013). Loose change collected at meetings has generated \$10,300; the remainder is loan repayments. The goal is to loan \$100,000 by 2020.

### 2016-2017 Board & Committees

**President**  
Pam Varni

**President-Elect**  
James Bibb

**Past President**  
Amy Lujan

**Vice President**  
Kim Kiefer

**Secretary**  
Julie Olson

**Treasurer**  
Joann Lott

**Administration**  
Linda Blefgen

**Community Service**  
Candy Behrends  
Nicole Legere

**Vocational Service**  
Rosemary Hagevig

**Youth**  
Kevin Ritchie

**Youth Exchange Officers**  
Stephanie Hoag  
Jill Ramiel

**Interact Advisor**  
John McConnochie

**Membership**  
John Pugh

**International**  
Nico Bus

**Foundation**  
Colleen Torrence

**Sergeant-at-Arms**  
Doug Eckland

**Public Relations**  
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