



JANUARY 9, 2020  
Juneau-Gastineau Rotary

# Channeler

Established 1988

## Today's Greeter

Nico Bus

Next Week

Reuben Willis

## Today's Program

Alexander Dolitsky

Immigration to the U.S.

January 16

Beth McKibben & Tim Felstead

CBJ Downtown Planning

January 23

Club Assembly

January 30

Midgi Moore

Developing Juneau Food Tourism



District 5010 Governor

Andre' Layral

Rotary International President

Mark Daniel Maloney

## Several sanctioned avenues for immigration

More than a million U.S. residents were born in a country that formerly was part of the United Soviet Socialist Republic (USSR). Thirty-five percent were born in Russia, while 32 percent were born in Ukraine, as was Kiev born-and-raised, Alexander Dolitsky of Juneau. As an immigrant, Dolitsky will address various legal immigration avenues.

The social studies instructor and archeologist received an MA in history from Kiev Pedagogical Institute in 1976 and, after immigrating to the U.S. in 1978, earned an MA in anthropology and archaeology from Brown University in 1983. He attended the Ph.D. program in anthropology at Bryn Mawr College from 1983 to 1985, where he was also a lecturer in the Russian Center. He visited Alaska in 1981, while conducting field research for grad school. He settled in the former Russian territorial capital of Sitka in 1985 and Juneau in 1986. (Russians occupied a number of outposts in Alaska for 125 years until 1867.)

He has worked as a U.S. Forest Service archaeologist and social scientist, an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Russian Studies at UAS from 1985 to 1999, as a social studies instructor at the Alyeska Central School, Alaska Department of Education and Yukon-Koyukuk School District from 1988 to 2006, and is the proprietor of the Alaska-Siberia Research Center (based in his Juneau home) which he started 1990.

Dolitsky has conducted 32 field studies in various areas of the former Soviet Union, including Siberia, as well as Central Asia, South America, Eastern Europe and the U.S. He has been a lecturer on smaller cruise vessels in the Arctic and sub-Arctic and was project manager for the WWII Alaska-Siberia Lend Lease Memorial, erected in Fairbanks in 2006. He has published widely in the fields of anthropology, history, archaeology, and ethnography.



Thursday  
January 30  
4-6 pm  
Glory Hall  
Dinner Prep  
(It's a makeup!)

Saturday  
March 21  
Assemblage  
Competition  
(start saving items  
that can be recycled  
into a new creation)



6 Jill Ramiel  
12 Molly Duvall  
13 John McConnochie  
30 Rosemary Hagevig  
31 Joni Dahlstrom



## This time of year, it's all about winter

Inbound Kevin Kooistra has taken the "Polar plunge" at least three times, according to his new host mom, Sarah Lewis. At left, Kevin takes a dip with high school hockey teammate Nikki. Below, Kevin recently snowboarded at Eaglecrest.



## January Membership Anniversaries

Aurora Agee	1
Joni Dahlstrom	1
May Capobianco	3
Marciano Duran	4
Jill Ramiel	7
Annette Smith	10
Jill Matheson	12
Kim Kiefer	17

*"Of the 101 ways we can make ourselves useful to society, undoubtedly the most available and often the most effective are within the sphere of our occupation."*

## Founder Paul Harris thought vocational service was fundamental to doing good



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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