



SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

Juneau-Gastineau Rotary

Channeler

Established 1988

Today's Greeter
Laury Scandling

Today's Program
CBJ Election Update
Merrill Jensen
Arboretum

September 17
School Board
Candidates

September 24
Assembly Candidates

October 1
Senator Bert Stedman
Marine Highway Task Force



District 5010 Governor
Joe Kashi
Rotary International President
Holger Knaack



A PBS show 40 years ago inspired him

When Merrill Jensen saw a 1980 episode of "The Victory Garden" shot in a public botanic garden, he was inspired to pursue horticulture. After earning a degree in that field, he worked in the seed and fertilizer industries, as well as a retail plant nursery. The city-managed Jensen-Olson Arboretum is his fourth – and final, after nearly 14 years – public garden. He's also curated plants in Idaho, Oregon, and California, gaining familiarity with materials from Mediterranean, high desert, and temperate rain-forest climates.



City clerk Beth McEwan managing mail-only election

- Ballots sent Sept. 15 to every voter
- Ballot envelope must be signed in front of a witness and BY the witness
- **MAIL** ballot by Oct. 6; needs a 55-cent stamp **OR**
- **DROP OFF** at one of two Ballot Boxes by 8 pm, Oct. 6 **OR** at one of two Voting Centers during business hours (replacement ballots there, too)
- Envelopes bar-coded; only use yours
- Info: <https://juneau.org/clerk/elections>



KIVA keeps growing

Ten agricultural efforts in six countries got loans of \$100-\$150 in last week's KIVA lend. JGR has lent \$102,350 through 1,175 loans since 2008.

September Birthdays

Colleen Torrence	16
Diana Cote	18
Paul Dick	21

Duck Derby Time!

Juneauduckderby.com
(No ducks dropped; each has a number)
10 winners Sept. 19

Membership Marks

Rosemary Hagevig	- 27
Nico Bus	- 26
Zia Boccaccio	- 4
Kim Champney	- 3
Nimmy Phillips	- 2

Meeting Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/381524097>