



Susitna Rotary 3-31-08

APRIL PROGRAMS

APRIL 7 Bob Hoekzema/Alaska Miners Assn.

APRIL 14 The Kennedy Family

APRIL 21 Mitch HULL/ Kiva.org, International project

APRIL 28 CLUB ASSEMBLY



Today we were privileged to have Bert Hall as our guest speaker. Bert is a member of the Wasilla Noon Club and has been in Rotary over 40 years. Bert first joined

Rotary in 1965 in Anchorage. There was one club at that time in Anchorage. During his presentation, Bert gave us a very descriptive evolution of the Rotary clubs in Alaska, from being an "Old Men's Club" to one with many active women and focus on ethics and a willingness to become involved in the club activities and projects with opportunity and money, as opposed to just writing checks. Bert complimented our club on its involvement in hands on activities and the progress we have made in such a short time. Bert is the father of one of our Chair members, Robert Hall. Thanks for the great presentation, Bert.

CLUB COMMITTEE UPDATES

Pike Derby....

Roger updated us on the Pike Derby. There were over 700 fish caught, lots of fun was had by all who participated and good attention was directed to the City of Houston. The awards banquet was well attended and information can be obtained about the awards from the Houston Chamber Website. The heaviest fish

weighed 26#, the longest was 47 inches and the smallest was 7".

Nola gave an update on the **Willow Health Fair**. United Way has given a \$750 donation to the Health Fair, and The Lions club gave \$500. Dee Dee Jonrowe will be attending this year, and the Willow Seniors will be volunteering again. The Health Fair is April 26th don't forget to mark your calendars.

Penny gave updates on the **Relay for Life**. Dr. Patricia Carrigan will be the keynote speaker this year and Dr. Lawson and Dr. Brent Taylor have donated \$ to help bring her here. They are still looking for air miles to help with her stay and hotel accommodation for her. We will be getting help from Anchorage American Cancer Society and Eagle River Relay for Life as well as Prov. Hospital since she will speak at all of those venues while she is here. Penny was very impressed with her the couple of times she has heard Patricia speak. Should be a great start to our Mat Su Relay for Life. Also, if you have donations for the silent auction please let Kathy and Jack know. We are storing everything at our house. Chuck and Carla are again offering the use of their enclosed trailer. They will come to the Timm's house the day before the relay and we will load everything up then. If you can help that day, let us know. We also will need help setting up the tent again this year and placing the items on the tables for the auction.



Luau... Rosemary and Ruth. We raised about \$2700 after expenses for our Scholarship Program. **Rosemary** did a great job shopping for supplies and the expenses were only a little over \$700. The auction was fun and **Rosemary** was a great auctioneer! The FIREWORKS were awesome, thank you **Robert Hall**, and the decorations were great...again thanks, **Robert** for the decorations. **Ruth** and her crew did a great job putting the decorations out, **Rosemary** did an awesome job on the food (many, many compliments were flying around about the food, the meat was soooo good and the side dishes that our club contributed were so yummy, thanks everyone who contributed). Our club photographer, **Penny** has a CD with lots of photos on it. Nice job Penny. We will ask **Carla** to put them on our website for all to view.

SPECIAL PROJECTS...CLAUDIA reported that the supplies have now been purchased for the Kids Don't Float racks. We have the life jackets from Mat Su Health Foundation to put on them. As soon as weather permits we will construct them.

District Conference is May 8, 9, 10. There are several members going this year. We hope to carpool or those of us who are taking campers or motor homes hope to camp together. More information to come. **Jack** said that the club will subsidize some of the cost, depending how many will be attending.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR....

APRIL 26... WILLOW HEALTH FAIR

MAY 8-10... DISTRICT CONFERENCE.... SOLDOTNA

MAY 16, 17 MATSU RELAY FOR LIFE



We have a carryover this week of \$73

APRIL IS **MAGAZINE** MONTH

MAY IS **DISTRICT** MONTH

JUNE IS **ROTARY FELLOWSHIP** MONTH

SUSITNA ROTARY MEETS ON MONDAYS AT NOON AT THE HOUSTON LODGE MILE 57.3

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SPECIAL PROJECTS..RALPH BUZZARD