ASEA Juneau Chapter Newsletter, March 2023

Democracy in action

We had great attendance at our February 21 chapter membership meeting. We considered two proposals to reinvest our savings into the community. After a vigorous discussion there was unanimous support for a dollar-for-dollar matching fundraising proposal supporting the Southeast Alaska Food Bank. We voted to match up to \$30,000 in donations from the community and pay the transaction fees not to exceed \$2,000.

Support our local food bank!

We could use your help in getting out the word. Chapter Executive Board members and allied union affiliates have shared the donation link on social media. I'd like to encourage you to reach out to your own circle of friends. We've already seen donations come in as low as \$25, and as much as \$100. Whatever people can manage helps! <u>https://gofund.me/5d9a16ee</u>

The canned food drive

I'm proud of our membership for their support of the canned food drive we launched in January. Vice President Randy Sutak reports that we collected donations exceeding 500 pounds. Thank you everyone who participated by having a box in your building or dropping donations in the box!





Welcome Tanya Howard!

Tanya Howard returns to state service after a decades-long hiatus and she's coming in strong! Within a month, she filled the secretary vacancy on the Juneau Chapter Executive Board and joined the Volunteer Corps, the Chapter's party planning committee. Thank you, Tanya, and welcome back!

Thank you, Budget Committee

At the last membership meeting Tanya also joined the budget committee along with Dayna Mackey, Suella Davis, and Chapter Treasurer Adam Bauer, who I've appointed chair. Any future proposals to spend down our savings will be vetted by them, and they are also tasked with drafting next year's budget.

In Solidarity,

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