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# New 2022/23 Club Officers Installed During Festive Evening at River Rock Casino



**Our new Ringmaster** 



events during the year included: Mulled wine sale at the Christmas tree lighting -

Next Year Co-Ringmaster In a festive evening circus themed shindig with incoming president Dennis Stead as Ring Master, club officers for the year, 2022/2023, were installed by Lt. Governor Elect Diane Anthony at our September 25 evening meeting. About 60 members and guests attended the event held this year for the first time at River Rock Casino, including members of the Oakmont, North Bay, Santa Rosa, Windsor, Cloverdale clubs.

Taking the gavel from outgoing President Richard (Rowdy) Yates, was 2022/23 President Dennis Stead. Serving with him will be the new Copresidents elect Eric Smith and Richard Bugarske. Other officers installed were Nancy Arsenault (continuing) secretary, project treasurer Ron Dobley (Continuing), acting administrative treasurer Brian Wells (acting for admin treasurer Richard Bugarske during his recovery), Darlene Prigmore assistant admin. treasurer and Richard Yates immediate past president.

Board of Directors members installed for a two-year term are Joanne Kolinske, Liz Bippart, Brian Wells, and Diane Pierce. Installed for a oneyear term are Hunt Conrad, Barbara Erickson, Susan Sheehy and Darlene Prigmore. (Joanne Kolinske replaces Harry Jackson and Hunt Conrad replaces Eric Smith who moves up to Co-president elect.)

Incoming and outgoing presidents Denny and Rowdy presented a "Year in Review". Alternating, month by month, they reviewed our various fundraising activities, services to the community, and fun events. Major fund-raising

\$2,200, pancake breakfast - \$5,000, FFA fair food booth - \$11,500, Fitch Mountain Foot Race - \$5,000, and the Brandt's Beach Barbeque - \$9,000.

Denny, in his acceptance remarks talked about goals for the coming year including increasing membership, having more social events, and our  $100^{\rm th}$  anniversary celebration.

Regular Tuesday meetings returning to the Villa subject to any future COVID restrictions.

#### Meeting Dates:

Oct 4: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Heloisa Heinen, MPA, Executive Director, CASA of Sonoma County.

Oct 11: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Program TBD.

Oct 18: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Program TBD.

Oct 25: Evening Meeting 6:30pm social, 7:00 pm meeting. Social gathering.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon except the fourth Tuesday of the month is an evening meeting, 6:30PM Social, 7:00 PM Meeting.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Presidents Dennis Stead (433-6503) or Secretary Nancy Arsenault (949-257-6739).



Rowdy Yates with Anna Grant showing his past president's award

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# **Installation Photographs**

Contributed by Susan Sheehy, Liz Bippart, Joanne Kolinski & Harry Jackson





Susan Sheehy Harry Jackson Distinguished Service Award winners 2021-2022



Jack & Lindsey Brandt
Jack joined Kiwanis in 1979 and served
as president in 1992



**Patti Robarts & Rick Woods** 



Clowns, Clowns and more Clowns Liz Bippart & Joanne Kolinski



Barbara Erickson, Jan & Dan Gianni, Carol Feldner



**Eric Smith & Susan Sheehy** 

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#### **OFFICERS 2021-2022**

President – Dennis Stead Co-presidents Elect – Eric Smith, Richard Bugarske Secretary - Nancy Arsenault Acting Admin. Treasurer- Brian Wells Project Treasurer - Ron Dobley Past President – Richard Yates (Rowdy)

#### **Board of Directors**

One Year TermTwo Year TermHunt ConradJoanne KolinskiBarbara EricksonLiz BippartSusan SheehyBrian WellsDarlene PrigmoreDiane Pierce

# Memorial Scholarship Board of Directors

Dan Maraviglia, Chair
John (Jack) Brandt Randy Collins
Ron Dobley Guy French
Vern Loch Dennis Stead

#### The Builder

Harry Jackson, Editor

# **Happy Birthday**

Dennis Stead – Oct. 7 Tim Tuscany – Oct. 11 Chrystal Silva – Oct. 18 Lucy Lewand – Oct. 21 Sharon Gallagher – Oct.21 Dan Gianni – Oct. 27 Patti Robarts – Oct. 27 Barbara Erickson – Oct. 29 Lee Gunnerson – Oct. 30

#### **Kiwanis Anniversaries**

Congratulations to the following members who joined the Kiwanis Club during the month of October:

Paulene Rogers – 10-3-17 Liz Bippart – 10-22-13 Rick Wood - 10-23-12 Charles Reichel - 10-24-74 Jan Gianni - 10-27-09 James Luchessi - 10-30-01

## The President's Message

To the 60 people that came to my installation, I sincerely thank you. It was a great night. From Anna's narration of Rowdy's routine to my installation, great decorations and lots of laughter, I applaud and thank everyone involved from the bottom of my heart. If you were not there, you



should have been. It was a great Kiwanis night. Just like old times. We're back! This coming year is going to be about coming back, 100 years, in fact! It will be relived through wonderful new events and revitalized old events, all year. I look forward to us going through this together.

Denny

# **October in Healdsburg Kiwanis History** *from Builder archives*

- October 1932 Bill Massoni will be back with us again when the presently humiliated, but no to be denied home grown luscious grape is crushed preparatory to the banning of the ban.
- October 1942 Now be ready, citizens to accept the penalty of war, the deprivations and forget some of our "God-given luxuries" for a while.
- October 1952 --- did not our Kiwanis Club function to the tune of \$925 out of the recent rummage sale? Who ever said the "white elephant" had changed his color scheme?
- October 1962 Arnold Santucci has recovered from his operation and is now back in active membership. (60 years later, Arnold remains a member.)
- October 1972 Several club members transported 18 young pigs to Healdsburg from Chico for members of the local FFA.
- October 2002 Nancy Curnaw first woman installed as Healdsburg Kiwanis President.
- October 2012 Loretta Strong 2012-2013 newly installed president enumerates 3 goals for her year.
- October 2022 Denny Stead installed as president and ring master for the Healdsburg Kiwanis 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

Summarized from minutes by Nancy Arsenault

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the September 2022 Board meeting:

#### **Administration Management**

#### **Financials**

- The Administrative Treasurer's Report was approved. Total Administrative fund assets are \$24,938 allocated as follows: \$17,938 Admin Fund, \$10,000 Admin Fund Reserve. The Charity Fund contains \$193. (The first \$400 was expended for District Service Awards).
- Based on a discussion of the results of the committee's finding to use \$15,000 surplus funds to support weekly lunches by offering Patti \$100 a meeting from the Admin. Fund to offset the cost of meals, the following motions were approved:
  - ➤ Change the weekly lunch/dinner cost for members and their guests to \$10 per meal for the coming fiscal year. Healdsburg Kiwanis Administrative Fund will subsidize \$6 for each meal so that Patti & Friends will still be paid \$16/meal.
  - ➤ Patti & Friends will be paid by check at the beginning of the month. The amount paid for each week includes \$320 for a minimum of 20 meals, \$15 for incidentals (paper goods, coffee, drinks, trash collection, and disposal, etc), \$16 for the speaker, and \$10 for travel expenses totaling \$361 per week multiplied by the number of weeks that food is served. When more than 20 members purchase lunch, Patti will be paid \$16 per overage meal from the cash received that day.
  - ➤ Since Patti has not been receiving payment for 20 meals per week. she will receive \$500 to compensate for this loss of earning.
- Doug Braik of Santa Rosa Kiwanis club has requested a \$40.00 donation from each of the ten clubs in the District to cover the cost of two \$200 gift certificates to the outgoing Lt. Gov.'s to be

presented as a thank you for jobs well done. A \$40.00 to Doug Braik was approved.

#### Other Business and Service:

Anna's committee had a meeting and talked about a survey to the members regarding changing locations, and discussions on alternative meeting times and locations. Anna will type it and distribute the survey in October. The last Tuesday of the month could become a social meeting where business may not be conducted.

#### **Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation**

#### Grants/Donations/Requests

 City of Healdsburg – up to \$1000 to pay for the Foss Creek Clean Up luncheon that Patti will be preparing on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>,

#### Financials

The Foundation Financial Report was approved.
 Total Foundation assets are \$93,583, allocate as follows:

#### **Permanently Restricted**

| Children's Fund Endowment           | <b>\$</b> 36,572. |          |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| <b>Total Permanently Restricted</b> |                   | \$36,572 |
| Temporarily Restricted              |                   |          |
| Two Year Reserve, 15k per year      | \$30,000          |          |
| Vocational Scholarship              | \$13,895          |          |
| Dormire Scholarship                 | \$3,548           |          |
| Jordan Strong Memorial              | \$5,070           |          |
| <b>Total Temporary Restricted</b>   |                   | \$52,513 |
| Unrestricted Funds Available        |                   | \$4,498  |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                 |                   | \$93,583 |

- The following changes to checking signatures at our accounts at Financial Institutions were approved:
  - Add Brian Wells to Bank of Marin.
  - Add Nancy Arsenault and Liz Bippart, to the Charles Schwab account with the removal of Roger Dormire.

#### President's Update

 Rowdy suggests that in case of emergency, we should consider cross-training club jobs and responsibilities so that multiple members have access and knowledge of the variety of details required for this club to run smoothly. We could say that if one goes down then two are around.

#### **Meetings**

**Sep 6**: Loretta Strong, Mediterranean cruise, to be scheduled at a later date. Meeting canceled, see below.

Early in the morning of September 6 we learned from Dick Bugarske's daughter, Kate, that Dick had a stroke at home early that morning. He was taken to Sutter Hospital and was responsive, awaiting a flight to SF for surgery to unblock his carotid artery. Thankfully this type of stroke is not a bleed in his brain though it is very serious.

In light of this huge concern, our Kiwanis meeting was cancelled today.

By Wednesday morning, Dick was fighting like hell and speaking in full sentences! He was scheduled for surgery on Friday to address the 95% blockage of the left Carotid Artery. The surgery was completely successful, but he is going through very intensive physical therapy.

Dick continues to recuperate at home. We all continue to keep him in our thoughts and prayers! Dick sends his love and appreciation back.

Sep 13: Jeff Kay, Healdsburg City Manager –

Jeff presented a very informative discussion of City Operations and the Kevin Burke Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Jeff joined the city staff about two years ago and quickly learned the ropes of his city manager position. He claims he has 5000 different things to do – maybe not a great exaggeration. One of the most important things coming up is the November election. City issues include:

Election of City Council members. Three
Council seats are up for election, two 4-year
seats and one 2-year seat. Three candidates are
running to fill the two- year seat and four
candidates are running to fill the 4- year seats.

- A Ballot Measure to establish a cannabis tax of up to 8%. A current city ordinance prohibits cannabis outlets in the city but allowing them is under consideration. If allowed, the tax would be in place so the city would have no loss of revenue.
- A Ballot Measure to amendment of the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). The 14% rate and allocation of tax revenue would not change. The amendment would permit debt financing for capitol projects. The change would allow use of TOT funds for projects such as the planned redevelopment of Badger Park and improvement of the 39-acre open space near Montage.

Other upcoming projects include:

- Improvements to the Villa Chanticleer Dog Park.
- The Fitch Mountain access project, soon to be sent out for bid.



# Chief Kevin Burke Law Enforcement Scholarship Fund at Santa Rosa Junior College

This scholarship is a memorial to Chief Kevin Burke who led the Healdsburg Police Department from 2011-2021. The scholarship fund will support students enrolled in the SRJC Police Academy with the greatest need. If the goal of \$100,000 is met, scholarships will also be offered to students enrolled in the Corrections Academy and Ranger Academy (though priority will still be given to Police Academy students).

To donate the law enforcement scholarship program:



Pass the word!

#### **Foss Creek Cleanup**

Healdsburg Kiwanis served lunch to about 150 of the troops who showed up on September 24 to clean up Foss Creek. The winners this year were the Healdsburg School kids and parents. Congratulations!



The cooking/serving crew
Eric, Patti, Anna, Jim (behind post)
+ others not shown



**The Crud Cup Winners** 



Rowdy's farewell board meeting Thank you for a job well done!

## \$\$Happy/Sad\$\$

Anna Grant happy for Mom's birthday. (We sang happy birthday to Mom, a guest at our 9/13 meeting).

Loretta Strong sad about the fire at Lake Shastina, but happy everything ok on Lake Shore Drive.

Denny Stead, happy or sad (?) to be uninstalled as Cloverdale's president.

Jan Gianni happy she and Dan made up for their recent disastrous European vacation by a tour of the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

Nancy Arsenault sad she left keys locked in car while picking up pizza.

Susan Sheehy good vibes for Dick. "He's going to make it".

Denny Stead happy to congratulate retiring president Rowdy.

Darlene Prigmore sad about Rowdy retiring. Happy/sad remains to be seen about Denny taking over.

Bob Taylor happy that his 92-year-old car got him to the meeting – a 1930 Model A Coupe.

#### **Key Club Rush**

The Healdsburg High School Key Club held their annual Rush on Friday September 9. There was a large turnout of students interested in finding out about the club and its activities and services. Many new members are expected.

The club meets at noon on Mondays. Nancy Arsenault has taken over as Kiwanis advisor since Dick Bugarske is recovering from a serious illness and is unable to serve. She is seeking backup.

There are about 15 eager members of the Key Club as of the end of September. Planned activities for the year include:

- Student voter registration drive. Youths are permitted to register to vote at age 16 so they will be informed and ready to vote at the legal age of 18.
- Volunteering at the Food Bank.
- Writing cards to service members.

#### **Key Club Officers for 2022-23**

| Co-president   |
|----------------|
| Co-president   |
| Vice President |
| Secretary      |
| Treasurer      |
| Social Media   |
|                |



Erick Gutierrez, Social Media (Lt) Suzanna Conway, Co-president



# Renewable energy on the way

By Dick Bugarske

We spent the Labor Day weekend at the Lemoore Naval Air Station in toasty weather knowing full well how hot it was in Healdsburg and throughout California. Hearing about potential rolling blackouts and shortfalls of electricity, it was encouraging to see how many overplanted pistachio and almond farms are being turned into solar farms. Just to the south of the Naval Base is a huge solar farm that is just going online. I believe we will be seeing more and more of these in the Central Valley as the water restrictions increase. Fascinating.



#### Editor's note

With this issue, I celebrate 10 years as The Builder editor, and I am closing in on Arnold's 13-year record. When I took over from Arnold, I felt challenged and concerned that I could fill the space. But everything worked out well and I very much appreciate all your input and feedback. A happy \$10 next meeting.

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