



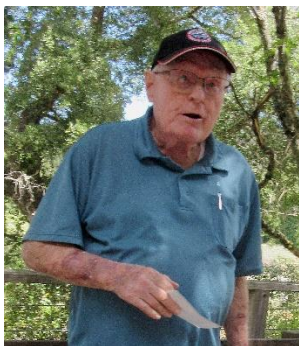
**Healdsburg Kiwanis welcomes new member  
Joanne Kolinski**



**President Rowdy Yates, Membership Chair Lorretta Strong,  
Joanne Kolinski, Sponsor Denny Stead**

About 2 months ago Denny Stead introduced his guest at our meeting, his friend Johanne visiting from New York. Since then, Joanne has been a frequent guest at our meetings and a participant in our activities. Denny and Joanne met 49 years ago in New York state through their work with Grant’s supermarkets. They recently reconnected through the internet. Joanne comes to us from Wurstboro, New York. She has 3 children and 6 grandchildren all living in New York. She misses them but likes it here.

**LeRoy Steck June 7, 1931 – November 2021**



**Leroy delivers  
his 90<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday  
Limerick**

Our club has lost a very special longtime member, LeRoy Steck. LeRoy was the master of limericks with all of the puns we could imagine and entertained us for many years with his clever words and thoughts. In LeRoy’s retirement, he enjoyed his time as a professional driver for several Sonoma County celebrities. LeRoy will be greatly missed by all of us.

LeRoy has been an active member since January 4, 2000. A collection of about 70 of his limericks relating to Kiwanis events and people is on file at the Builder office, but Leroy left none memorializing his own passing. Here is his final, commemorating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday:

**Calendar**

Regular Tuesday meetings at the Villa Chanticleer. COVID protocol.

**Regular Meeting Dates:**

**Dec 7:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon.

**Dec 14:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon

**Dec 16:** Board of Directors meeting canceled.

**Dec 21:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon

**Dec 28:** No Meeting

**Other December dates**

**Dec. 3:** “Merry Healdsburg” Tree Lighting at the Plaza. Our Club will be selling mulled wine and other beverages.

**Dec 14, 11:45 am:** San Francisco interclub - lunch at the Italian Athletic Club of San Francisco. Featuring a Beatles/ Christmas Sing along with Joshua Raoul Brody! - \$55 each.

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 Ricard Yates (431-2509) or Secretary Nancy Arsenault (949-257-6739).

The pandemic years have bored me to tears  
It has not been one of my favorite years  
But thanks to the Lord Almighty  
I am thankfully turning ninety  
So I got my two shots and got rid of my fears

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## **OFFICERS 2018 – 2019**

Presidents - Richard Yates (Rowdy)  
Secretary - Nancy Arsenault  
Admin. Treasurer- Richard Bugarske  
Project Treasurer - Ron Doble  
Past President – Anna Grant

## **Board of Directors**

### One Year Term

Harry Jackson

Randy Collins

Brian Wells

Diane Pierce

### Two Year Term

Eric Smith

Barbara Erickson

Susan Sheehy

Darlene Prigmore

## **Memorial Scholarship Board of Directors**

Dan Maraviglia, Chair

John (Jack) Brandt Randy Collins

Ron Doble Guy French

Vern Loch Dennis Stead

## **The Builder**

Harry Jackson, Editor  
Arnold Santucci, Sr. Advisor  
Richard Iverson, Member

## **Happy Birthday**

Anna Grant - Dec. 6

Terry Kemp - Dec. 9

Vern Losh - Dec. 22

Rowdy Yates - Dec. 24



## **Kiwanis Anniversaries**

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

Hunt Conrad - 12-4-07

Martin Silge - 12-4-07

Nancy Arsenault – 12-19-17

Darlene Prigmore – 12-9-14

## **The President's Message**

Our Healdsburg Kiwanis Club still knows how to get things done. In a hurry!

At 3:00 PM on Tuesday, the City gave us the 'go-ahead' to set up a mulled wine and beer booth for the Merry Healdsburg Week-End celebration to begin at 5:00 PM on Friday. (Our amazing Lt. Governor, Anna somehow pulled that one off, further cementing her nickname: Piranha.)

First step: Call Denny. And off to the races we go. Booth set-up, lighting etc. and remember signs (call Jim)-change signs (call Jim, again). And call Patti, of course. Beer: thanks to The Bear Republic. Major kudos to Randy, Susan, Brian and Joanne who went to great lengths to obtain the necessary licenses to be able to serve alcohol at a public event. We could not have pulled this off without Jerry and Loretta, Liz, Rick and yes, Eric.

Thursday afternoon, a group of us met at the Senior Center and surrounded Darlene, at the stove with the big metal pots, as she concocted the now infamous Healdsburg Kiwanis Mulled Wine (wine, cinnamon, assorted spices, fresh orange peels... and was that a little brandy?) Awesome, Darlene.

It was a fun and successful evening with many satisfied customers who also tipped generously because we are who we are: The Healdsburg Kiwanis. *Note: There will be a full report on this event including photos in next month's newsletter hj*

Note: The Healdsburg Kiwanis Vocational Scholarship Fund needs you! Scholarships provide an incentive to keep a student's grades up and strive for success. Please give these kids a boost in starting their careers and building a successful life. Check your inbox for this year's request for a donation.

Rowdy Yates, President

## **Toys for Tots**

Denny Stead is the Coordinator of the Marine Toys for Tots program, responsible for planning, organizing, and conducting the campaign in the Healdsburg/Geyserville community. The photo at right shows Denny loading toys into the collection box in our meeting room. The box will remain until our December 7 meeting. Please bring your donations by that time. The box may overflow, but no worries, Denny will store the toys in a safe place until time for distribution. Note that all the donated toys will go to children in the Healdsburg/Geyserville area.



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Toys for Tots continued

Denny will deliver our collection box along with many others in the community to the Healdsburg Community Center where Shared Ministry volunteers will sort the toys by age and gender, and with the assistance of other local social welfare agencies, church groups, and other local community agencies, distribute the toys to the less fortunate children of the community. See page 5 for description of the Shared Ministries Annual Christmas Gift Basket program.

## Board of Directors Meeting

*Summarized from minutes by Nancy Arsenault*

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the November 2021 Board meeting:

### Administration Management

#### Financials

- The Admin fund in the month of October holds \$9,906 with a reserve of \$10,000 and a Charity fund of \$34.
- **President's Update:**
- At our regular meeting on November 9, 2021, the following three members were elected to sit on the Board of Directors to fill the three vacant seats.: Darlene Prigmore (2 yrs.), Diane Pierce (1 yr.) and Brian Wells (1yr.). The club welcomes these three new members onto the Board and we look forward to seeing you at the meetings.
- A motion passed to approve the resignation of Richard Thomas.

### Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation

#### Presentation to the Board

- Roger Dormire spoke about management of the Children's Fund. The Healdsburg Scholarship fund is a non-profit. When money is donated, it is invested and never spent, only the income generated from the principle can be spent.

The Children's Fund will be set up in the same manner except that it is not a separate organization. It is included within the foundation board who decides how to proceed.

The Fidelity Balanced Fund is currently being used for the Children's Fund and money received will be locked into this Fund. John Bippart would like \$10,000 of the money from the Fall Pledge Drive to be put aside for the graduating seniors interested in trade school. The remaining Fall Pledge Drive money, approximately \$22,400, could be invested into the Fidelity Balanced Fund.

#### Grants/Donations/Requests

- Scout Troop 21 - \$5400, to cover Charter Fees of \$1,900 and Clary Hall fees of \$3,500.
- Vocational Scholarships for graduating seniors in 2022 - \$10,000 to be set aside.
- Graduating class of 2022 - \$500 for support of the HHS Graduation Celebration.
- A motion to move the permanently restricted Endowment Fund of approximately \$29,000 to the Legacy Fund was approved.
- A motion to solicit future funds for the Children's Fund that includes funding for the Legacy Fund and the newly established Healdsburg Kiwanis Vocational Scholarship Fund was approved.

#### Other Business:

- We have been meeting at the Redwood Empire Food Bank twice a month to volunteer bagging food. Several Kiwanians and Key Club Students have attended. Thank you for your service!
- Anna needs help for Thanksgiving Dinner at 10 am Monday, November 22nd at the Community Center to help serve the dinners. And she needs help at the December 5<sup>th</sup> Senior Appreciation Dinner at the Villa as well. Come on out to support this event!
- Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> on the plaza there will be an opportunity during the tree lighting ceremony at 5 pm to serve booze at the event. Yahoo, a possibility to make big bucks! The city approached Anna, representing Kiwanis, to serve alcohol at this event. The club would need a permit of \$50 to serve alcohol at this event. We could apply with ABC tomorrow to get the license to be approved in time for the event.

There will be live music, Santa photos, and other activities. We need security to monitor how much people are drinking and could possibly ask the police/fire department for assistance in this area. Hard working Anna will find out more information and report back.

- A motion to cancel the December Board Meeting for this year was approved.

See page 7 for a proposal for a Kiwanis Objectives Award presented by Randy Collins at our November 30 meeting and approved by attendees and a Quorum of Board Members.

## Meetings

November 2:

Doug Price Scout Troop 21 Committee Chair was our guest speaker on November 2. In his informative presentation, Doug updated us on the troop finances, challenges of the COVID pandemic and recent and planned scouting activities and service projects.



Doug thanked the club for our support and recent donation of \$5400.

The scouts meet every Wednesday at Clarey Hall. Needed improvements to the facility recently accomplished include a new brick patio with an outdoor fireplace and tree plantings and reroofing with gutters. Other renovations needed include repair of water damage to east face – new siding and plumbing update at an estimated cost of \$5400.

Five scouts achieved the Eagle rank in 2020/21 and 3 more are candidates for 2022.

Scout community service projects include:

- Scouting for food
- Assistance at Rotary crab feed, Food Bank, Library book sale, Healdsburg Kiwanis pancake breakfast, and the Fitch Mountain Foot Race.
- Construction and sale of owl boxes.

There are currently 24 scouts in the troop with 6 adult leaders.

November 9 – Richard Iverson Birthday 95<sup>th</sup> celebration



### **Jerry Strong opened the meeting by leading a song for Richard "For he's a jolly good fellow"**

Dick Bugarske presented a slide show that he has prepared of Richard's life story. Narration was provided by the most knowledgeable person, Richard himself.

November 23: Roger Dormire, President Healdsburg Food Pantry

The Healdsburg Shared Ministries Food Pantry is a 100% volunteer-based, not-for-profit 501(C)(3) service organization, founded in 1982 and supported by generous donations from our community. The Pantry's mandate is to collect, store, and distribute food to those in need. Anyone who is a resident of Geyserville or Healdsburg, CA is eligible and welcome to receive food. Currently, bags are filled with groceries and given out to over 2,800 predominately working people monthly.

In addition to food distribution from the Pantry location, twice a month 30 grocery bags of food are delivered to the Healdsburg Senior Center.

Basics are purchased from the Redwood Empire Food Bank, while the food industry (notably, Safeway, Starbucks and Big John's), individuals, farmers, and a Gleaning Team from Farm to Pantry donate additional food beyond the basics.

This year's Food Pantry budget is \$290,000. Grants of \$30,00 from the city and other sources are available and donations from 255 individuals make up the remainder.

<https://www.healdsburgfoodpantry.org>



Other Shared Ministry programs include Annual Christmas Gift Basket and Sunday Free Meals

Specially prepared Christmas food baskets provide an extra bit of cheer during the holidays. This year 320 families including 1100 children are registered to receive toys, coats, shoes, and food to help make this a great Christmas for everyone.

The Sunday Free Meal program is coordinated through Healdsburg Shared Ministries. Each Sunday a different church from town prepares and serves a free meal to all comers.



**120 Food packets are distributed to the homeless each week**

### Interclubs

Eureka, November 17, visiting Terry Kemp



**The Healdsburg gang at the Eureka Meeting**



**Breakfast at the Samoa Cookhouse  
Joanne, Terry, Pennylee, Randy, Susan and Denny**

### Rowdy's first Kiwanis service project at the Food Bank



**Dick, Nancy, Randy and Rowdy bagging carrots and potatoes  
11/1/21**

### Many November Birthdays



**Richard Iverson, 95 requested a happy birthday song from everyone over 70**



**Barbara Erickson requested a happy birthday song from everyone under 70**



**Patti Roberts requested a happy birthday song from everyone while doing the Hula**



**Dan Gianni asked for a Happy Birthday song from Randy and Rowdy ala Andres Bocelli**

**Jan Gianni asked for a Happy Birthday song from all the Boys ala Elvis**



**Loretta Strong celebrates her birthday in Kawai with Jan Gianni  
Jerry and Dan off camera**

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

Randy Collins happy that Bob Taylor showed up. Sad about the difficulty stuffing pointed objects into a mesh bag, (carrots at the food bank).

Susan Sheehy happy to be back from France. Planning an Interclub to Eureka to visit Terri.

Susan (later upon return) happy for the great trip to Eureka and visiting Terry. Also, happy(?) to be suddenly promoted to president of the Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society Board of Directors.

Denny Stead happy for Joanne joining the club.

Marti Silge happy for his sponsor Rich's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Many happy to see Rick.

Rick Wood: good to be seen. Thanks for your prayers.

Judy Everett happy that Roger is thinking of getting a cell phone.

Jerry Strong happy that he shares his birthdate with the Marine Corps. Sad to see Lake Shasta so low while driving by.

## Kiwanis Objectives Award Proposal

The following proposal was presented by Randy Collins at our November 30 evening meeting. Upon discussion the proposal was enthusiastically approved by unanimous vote of attendees including a quorum of Board members.

### Background

Since its inception, the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club has followed the mission of Kiwanis by working to assist young people excel by promoting the concepts of service, leadership, community service and education. Perhaps the greatest contributions the club has made in achieving this goal is its sponsorship of the Key Club at our local High School and the hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships it has awarded to students throughout our nearly 100-year history.

While the club has proven most successful in this regard, once our scholarship recipients have moved on to college, we have had little presence in their lives or academic setting which is something I believe this proposal can address.

For many years within the Firefighter I Academy at Santa Rosa Junior College's (SRJC) Fire Technology Program, the Rotary Club of Santa Rosa East had sponsored a peer based "4-Way Test Award" given to a student from each academy class upon a vote of his/her fellow recruits based on the following concepts:

*Of the things we think, say or do: Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?.*

Because each award was determined by a vote of a student's classmates, it has been more prized than any other academic honor associated with the academy and was successful in promoting the values of service, mentoring, fellowship and integrity.

Recently, the Santa Rosa East Rotary Club informed the Academy Coordinator that they would no longer be sponsoring the 4-Way Test Award. While I found this very disappointing as a faculty member in the Fire Program, as a long-time member of Kiwanis I saw an opportunity for our Club to continue the concept of a peer-based award, but to do so based on the six Kiwanis Objectives

### Proposal

To that end, I would propose our Club sponsor a *Kiwanis Objectives Award* for each Firefighter I Academy (biannual) using the following guidelines:

- It continues to be peer-based and is awarded by a vote of the class to one member of each academy
- The criteria for the award are the 6 objectives of Kiwanis and to whom the class determines best up-holds their values during the course of the academy. The objectives are:
  1. To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life;
  2. To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships;
  3. To promote the adoption and the application of high social, business and professional standards;
  4. To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship;
  5. To provide a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities; and
  6. To cooperate in creating and maintaining sound public opinion and high idealism, which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill.
- When the vote is conducted, the results remain known only to the Academy Coordinator and are only made public at the Academy graduation ceremony (be it in-person or on-line) by a representative of our Club who could also use the opportunity to promote ourselves as well as Kiwanis International.
- As was done by Rotary, each recipient would receive a plaque paid for by the club. It should be noted, that although Rotary's award included no monetary compensation, something such as a small scholarship or reimbursement for an associated academy cost (I.E. Uniforms, gear rental, etc.) would be very welcome since the cost of attending an academy is close to \$3000.
- With Academies graduating in mid-December and late April, it would require a club member to arrange for each plaque to be made prior to the event. I would also suggest that same person be designated to attend the graduation for its presentation (of which I would be honored to volunteer). Eric Smith volunteered to backup.



**Santa Rosa Club installs officers for coming year**

The Installation of Officers of the Santa Rosa Kiwanis Club was held on Wednesday, Oct 27<sup>th</sup> with Lieutenant Governor Anna performing the installation and helping make the installation celebration a fun evening.



**From left: Doug Braik (Secretary) Mari Featherstone (Treasurer), William "Bill" Deedy (President), Bob Isaacs (President-Elect), Anna Grant - Lt. Governor - Region 32 Seated - Gerry Robison**



**Anna pins new president Bill Deedy**

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