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# KIWANIS CLUB

of Healdsburg



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**A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** Lucy Lewand, right, with president Dick Bugarske, hosted a delightful evening of Scottish poetry and song in celebration of the 252<sup>nd</sup> birthday of the famed Scottish poet and songwriter Robert Burns. The February 25<sup>th</sup> evening program included a rousing Address to the Haggis by Dick Bugarske and Hunt Conrad, the impressive reading of the poem "To A Mouse" by Bob Santucci, a memorial by Lucy, a hilarious to the Lassie and a Reply by Jerry and Loretta Strong, and the familiar "Auld Lang Syne" lead by Dan Maraviglia. On the right, Jerry Strong shows off his "improvised" kilts. Haggis was served by Patti Robarts and her crew.

## Board Decides A Need to Set Priorities in How Club Allocates Available Funding in Future

Following a lengthy and philosophical discussion on how the club should spend the money earned from the various projects – Christmas Tree Sales, Pancake Breakfast, Future Farmers Country Fair booth sales (Fitch Mountain Foot Race funds go to the Healdsburg Memorial Scholarship Fund) - the board set up a sub committee headed by Rick Norman to advise the board what projects should be undertaken and should they be on a long term basis. The action was taken after they heard from Jenifer Kettmann and Julie Forest, Directors and Teachers of the Healdsburg Community Nursery School, who indicated a dire need of financial help to repair the roof on the school, plus remodeling the patio, updating outdoor play equipment and supporting student scholarships. They are not asking, they said, for a free handout but want to work with Kiwanis on their projects.

"We are also looking at potential opportunities for interaction between our preschoolers and Kiwanis members," Jennifer Kettmann said.

In other action the board approved donations of \$2800 to the Salvation Army at Lytton to be used to purchase chairs for the dining room and a blender for the kitchen; and \$250 to the North County Community Service to buy towels.

The board tabled the following requests: \$5,000 for the Community Nursery School; \$7,500 for the Healdsburg Elementary School Enrichment Program; the purchase of bats for the Healdsburg High School baseball team at \$300 each.

Loretta Strong, immediate past president, advised the board that she wanted the President's Fund collected during her term of office, \$1700, to be donated to Kiwanis International Eliminate Neonatal Tetanus fund.

## Calendar

**February 1:** Regular meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Jerry Eddinger will give us an update on the renovation of the Clarence Ruonavaara Grandstand at Recreation Park.

**February 8:** Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Key Club's Valentine's Day Bake Sale and Auction.

**February 15:** Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Community matters and Healdsburg Junior High School – Dealing with school bullying.

**February 17:** Board of Directors Meeting, 7 p.m., Conference Room at the Healdsburg Police Station.

**February 22:** Evening meeting starting with social hour at 6:30 p.m. at Villa Annex. Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. Roger Dormire guest speaker, topic: Out of Africa.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex. For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club contact Richard Bugarske, president at 433-1771 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8005.

## Members and Volunteers Devoted 970 Hours To Christmas Project

Ken Scharer, chairman of the annual Christmas Trees sale, said that he felt the project "was very successful" and praised the help of the members and volunteers.

In a request by the editor for details about the sale particularly how many hours were spent by members and volunteers, Joe Engler, in charge of staffing the tree lot, in an e-mail reply said that "the Healdsburg Kiwanis Tree Lot had another successful year. It was thanks to the joint efforts of many of our supporters."

"The Cloverdale Kiwanis arrived on Saturday, December 11, with ten eager volunteers who worked a cumulative total of 40 hours. Our own Key club put in 24 hours over the season. The real heroes this year were people like LeRoy Steck, Dee Whitehall, Ken Scharer, Roger Dormire, Ron Puccioni, Jerry Strong and Joe Engler. Their hours can not be counted, as these folks just showed up to work whenever the need was there."

"A special thanks goes out to the Salvation Army at Lytton Springs. The men there contributed over 206 hours over three weekends. They were great workers who willingly volunteered their time to help."

"We certainly could use more like Eric Smith of our club. A willing worker with a sense of humor! Thanks to Jim Schmidt for his cut out characters decorating the fences, a big hit with the little ones."

"We were missing some key people this year. Denny Stead was stuck at home by an extremely serious eye problem. Rick Norman was down recovering from knee surgery. Rich Thomas had two eye surgeries but was able to work the lot in November. In addition he was able to show up the last day to take the lot down."

"All totaled Healdsburg Kiwanis had 50 members work 476 hours, in addition to the lot managers working 224 hours. (A total of 970 hours by members and volunteers -Editor).

"The gross total for this year exceeded \$82,000 with the net return yet to be determined. 1500 trees were ordered, 1424 trees were sold."

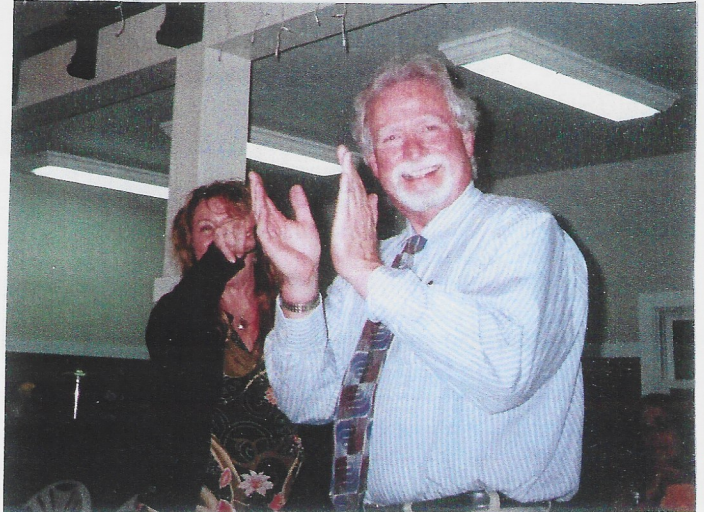
"The Christmas season is a time of coming together as a family and working together for the common good. The Healdsburg Kiwanis exemplifies all that is good about a family. To all of those that were a part of this Kiwanis Christmas season, thank you and happy new year."

## Interclub Visits Underway with First Visits to Windsor , Redwood Empire

Susan Sheehy, chair of the Inter Club committee, has advised club members that the committee has started the round robin program with an initial visit to the Windsor Club on Wednesday, January 26. Representing Healdsburg at this visit , along with Susan, were Jerry Strong, Ron Puccioni, Jan Gianni, Dee Whitehall and June Smith.

The next visit is scheduled for Thursday, February 3, at the Redwood Empire Club which meets at Coco's ,1051 Farmers Lane in Santa Rosa for breakfast at 7 a.m. Those planning to make this visitation should contact Susan .

The Inter-Club schedule as been posted on the club's website and Susan suggests that you look over the schedule and make plans to attend at least one of the club visits.



Michael Laird is a contestant for the 2011 Mr. Healdsburg Pageant.

## Michael Laird Seeks Title of Mr. Healdsburg at February 26th Pageant

A fund raiser for the Raven Performing Arts Center, the 2011 Mr. Healdsburg Pageant will feature a number of area business men including Healdsburg Kiwanian Michael Laird.

The pageant, an all male parody of beauty contests now in its 8<sup>th</sup> year, will be held on Saturday, February 26 at the Raven Theatre starting at 7:30 p.m. The contestants will be judged on the usual categories including beachwear, formalwear, talent and interview. Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door, and \$50 for the runway circle.

Michael, an active member of our club, asks the members support by either buying tickets to the event or donating in his name. Tickets are available at the Raven Theatre box office or on line.

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### *Happy Birthday*

**Mario Lucchesi: 2-1**  
**Charles Reichel: 2-7**  
**Edgar Deas: 2-8**  
**Cullen Wilder: 2-8**  
**Randy Collins: 2-11**  
**George Clough: 2-28**

### **Kiwanis Club Anniversaries**

Congratulations to the following members who joined the Kiwanis Club during the month of February.

**Arnold Santucci: 2-21-84**  
**Mario Lucchesi: 2-1-00**  
**Ken Scharer: 2-18-03**  
**Ken Rochioli: 2-28-06**  
**Bob Santucci: 2-2-10**  
**June Smith: 2-2-10**

### **The President's Message;**

## **The Golden Rule and Other Objects of Kiwanis**

**by Dick Bugarske**

I was looking over the six Objects of Kiwanis International (that were approved in 1924) and was wondering how long the second one has been around since I know the Golden Rule is in the New Testament.

- To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards.
- To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship,
- To provide, through Kiwanis Clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
- To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism that make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill.

So going to that paragon of information, Wikipedia, I found that "examples of statements" that mirror the Golden Rule appear in Ancient Egypt, for example in the story of The Eloquent Peasant which is dated to the Middle Kingdom of Egypt (c.2040-1650 BCE): "Now This the command: Do to the doer the cause that he do." Rushworth Kidder states that "the label 'golden' was applied by Confucius (551-479 B.C.), who wrote, 'Here certainly is the golden maxim: Do not do to other that which we do not want them to do to us.'" Kidder notes that this framework appears prominently in many religions, including "Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, Zoroastrianism, and the rest of the world religions".

So how are we using the Golden Rule and the other Objects of Kiwanis as we look to improving our Club and our Community. A perfect example of this happened at our last board meeting when Rick Norman asked some very important questions about the presentation that was given to us by Jennifer Kettmann and Julie Forest who are the Directors and teachers at the Healdsburg Community Nursery School. Later in the meeting, our discussion formed around the idea of a committee to begin to see how our Club might work with this school, its parents and their 3 and 4 year old students. Since Rick had asked the realistic and appropriate questions, we as a board motioned that we form a committee and Rick become the Chair. He then only had the option of saying no. I almost could hear the wheels churning inside Rick as he mentally walked through those Kiwanis Objects including the Golden Rule and said OK and with the help of a few others of us, a nascent partnership with the Healdsburg Community Nursery School has begun. I am not sure if Rick reached back to Ancient Egypt for his counsel but we appreciate him stepping up and helping to make a difference

### **Key Club Valentine's**

#### **Bake Sale, Auction**

Kiwanians are forewarned. Bring your checkbooks and appetites. Key Clubbers will be auctioning off an array of delicious baked goods on Tuesday, February 8. It's their big fund raiser. Making plans for this event were l to r, Marita Wallace, co-secretary, Olivia Hiles, treasurer, Andy Smith, Kiwanis Key Club Committee Chair, Kirsten Smith, president, Hannah Klisura, coPR officer, Jonah Brem, VP. (Photo courtesy Dick Bugarske).





**HAPPY BIRTHDAY PHIL:** Congratulating Phil Rice, center, on his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday, are, left, Clarence Ruonavaara and right, Arnold Santucci, both of whom have celebrated their 91<sup>st</sup> year. Phil, as has become tradition, donated \$91 to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund.

### Treasurer Reports On Funds

Pete Peterson, club treasurer gave a year end report at both the January 4 and 25 meetings and indicated the club finances are "in good shape". The club maintains three funds – administrative, project and Memorial Scholarship Fund, the latter one managed by a committee made up of club members.

The administrative fund, he pointed out, is now financially sound since the club was able to negotiate a fair rent for the Villa Annex and a very good rate for our weekly lunches from caterer Patti Roberts.

The project fund also is financially sound and can only be used for charitable donations. The report shows that the club donated \$71, 136 to local organizations and schools.

If you have not received a copy of the report, one is available by contacting Pete Peterson, treasurer.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Rebecca and David Scharer on the birth of their son on January 2 who weighed 7 pounds and was 20 inches long. He was named Cody Alan. As is the custom, the "hat" was passed among the members at a recent meeting and \$139 was collected. The proud father is to match this sum to be placed in a savings account for the new addition to the Scharer family. Proud grandparents are Ken and Linda Scharer.....to **Bob Santucci** for being presented with the Ambassador of the Year Award by the Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce.



**A WELCOMED DONATION:** President Dick Bugarske, right, accepts a donation of a case of wine from Pete Peterson who presented the gift on behalf of the donor, Steve Deas. The wine came from Steve's extensive wine cellar. Steve is the son of Judy and Edgar Deas, a long time member of Kiwanis and past president. Steve's wife, Jane Rosenberg, also has a connection to Kiwanis. Her father, the late Garry Rosenberg also was a long time member and a past president.

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