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Getting ready for the annual Pancake Breakfast are Kiwanians, from left, Rich Lehrmann, Chris Metrulas, Dennis Stead, Neil Iversen, chairman, Ken Scharer, Nancy Curnow, Don Reukema and Lockie Gillies

Sell, Sell, Sell Tickets and Ads for the 49th Annual Kiwanis Pancake Day on March 20

President Dan, Pancake Day chairman Neil Iversen and Pancake Day Ad chairman Rich Iverson all reminded the members that we have a big job to do in a very short time.

The 49th annual Kiwanis Pancake Day is scheduled for Sunday, March 20th at the Villa Chanticleer and all members are expected to participate. An assignment sheet, prepared by Neil Iversen, is included in this issue of *The Builder*. If you can not be present on that day or if you wish to change an assignment, please contact Neil Iversen as soon as possible.

President Dan advised all members – new and old – that each member is responsible to sell or buy 10 tickets. However you don't have to stop there. A few years back one member sold 100 tickets! And he urged each member to turn in the money for the tickets to Neil as soon as possible. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

Ad chairman Rich Iverson told the nine members of his committee that the deadline for all sponsor ads is March 7. The double page advertisement will appear in *The Tribune* on Wednesday March 16. Rich said that last year the committee sold 105 advertisements that netted \$4,260 toward the income of the Pancake Breakfast.

Proceeds from this annual event helps to fund the various youth projects the Kiwanis Club supports in the community. Last year the Project Fund was enriched by a little over \$10,000 from the Pancake Breakfast.

Calendar

March 1: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa. Key Club Bake Sale. Bring cash or check book.

March 8: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa.

March 10: Board of Directors Meeting, 7 p.m. at the Healdsburg Police Department's Community Room.

March 15: Special Guest Day. Mayor Jason Liles, speaker. Irish Dancing by local students. 12 noon at Villa.

March 16: Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, Santa Rosa.

March 22: Meeting will be held at the Tayman Park Golf Course club house, 12 noon. Subject: First Tee Program for youth. Tayman Park is the home course for this golf program.

March 22: Oyster Feed at Petaluma Kiwanis, 12 noon. Contact Jack Brandt for information.

March 29: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer's Annex.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club and its meetings please contact Dan Maraviglia, president at 433-3363 or Dee Whitehall, secretary at 433-4391

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The President's Message:

The Service We Provide

By Dan Maraviglia

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has," – Margaret Mead. I was recently reminded of this quote, and was struck by its simplicity and truth. I thought I'd share it with you all as a reminder that the service we provide is truly remarkable, and something we should all be proud of.

I am happy to report that the profits from the Christmas Tree Lot will give us an additional \$36,000 or so, to apply towards the youth of our community. The board wasted no time in beginning to spend these funds by writing the Boys and Girls Club a check for \$5,000 and committed to support a project for them. The project that is being investigated is the conversion of a storage shed into a much needed Teen Center, or alternatively, the importing of modular units for the same purpose. The board is very interested in making this our cornerstone project of the year, provided the logistics work out. Think about the positive impact of such an undertaking on the youth of our community; wouldn't it be great if we could pull this off. If anyone has an inside track on reasonably priced modular units, or construction materials, please contact me, or our "We Build" wizard, Rick Norman.

No one said that changing the world can't be fun. It has been brought to my attention that we should strive to have more evening social events. So this summer, look for an occasional evening meeting/BBQ. In the interim, if anyone has any ideas for fun events, like say organizing a trip to a Giants game, (not so much for the A's because they are in the AL, which has the DH and therefore does not qualify as "real baseball") please step forward and you will be supported.

Finally, I'd like to encourage the entire club to turn out in force for our Guest Day on March 15, 2005. I understand that many of you have work commitments which keep you from attending every meeting, but please make a point to attend this meeting as a show of support for the continued expansion and health of the club. Ciao

Fitch Mountain Footrace Set for June 12

Lee Gunnerson, chairman, today advised the club members that the annual Fitch Mountain Footrace will take place on Sunday, June 12 starting at the Plaza Square at 8 a.m. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. in the Square. To be a successful event we need participants as well as sponsors, Lee said. He pointed out that the Footrace is successful because of the generous support of the sponsors. Last year the race was sponsored by 24 businesses and individuals and 250 took part in the race and brought in approximately \$6,000 for the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund. Last year four Healdsburg High School graduating seniors were presented with scholarships valued at \$1500 each.

To avoid accidents, club members will be asked to monitor the street crossings on the race route

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or know a member of the business community willing to participate in this program, please contact chairman Lee Gunnerson.

Assisting Lee Gunnerson with the race are committee members Joe Engler, Dee Whitehall, Jerry Strong, Bev Dordahl, Vince Ciolino, Dennis Gary, Charles Greene and Bob Taylor.

Happy Birthday:

March 1: **Vince Dougherty**
March 6: **Robert Young**
March 12: **Lockie Gillies**
March 13: **Robert Malone**
March 20: **Carl Elze**
March 27: **Neil Iversen**

Kiwanis Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following who joined Kiwanis during the month of March.

John Brandt: 3-6-79
Robert Malone: 3-13-54
Harry Jackson: 3-16-04
William Waring: 3-16-04
Ted Etheredge: 3-22-88

Scholarship Fund Board Reveals Plans to Change Investment Policy

Dan Maraviglia, club president and secretary of the Memorial Scholarship Fund, advised the members that the Scholarship Fund's board has taken under consideration changing the policy of investing the funds.

Dan said that the board, following the recent meeting with the general membership, decided not to utilize the services of the Sonoma Foundation because of objections by some members. However, following the input by members who are part of the financial community, the fund board is seriously planning to invest in a mutual fund, American Funds, designed and targeted for non-profit organizations. The rate of return is approximately 8 %, Dan said.

However, before the board can act it must amend the articles and by-laws and present the amendments to the membership.

Presently, the funds are invested in Certificates of Deposit, giving a small return on the investment. If you wish more information on the American Funds, please contact Roger Dormire.

Income from the funds are used to award scholarships to Healdsburg High School graduating seniors.

Key Club Bake Sale at March 1 Meet

Bring cash or your check book (no credit cards) for the annual Healdsburg High School Key Club bake sale scheduled for Tuesday, March 1.

Auctioneer Dennis Stead reminded us that this is one of the Key Club's big fundraisers, so be generous when bidding for the delicious cakes, pies, cookies, etc made by the Key Clubbers.

This is usually a special event so be prepared to spend your cash for a worthy cause.

President Urges All Members To Be On Hand For Guest Day, March 15

President Dan Maraviglia sent out a special message to all members for them to make every effort to attend the March 15 luncheon meeting, designated as Special Guest Day, the start of the Membership Committee's drive to bring in new members this year.

Club members have submitted names of friends, neighbors, business associates, all of whom have received written invitations to be our guest on Tuesday March 15. President Dan indicated that the response to the invitations has been very positive. This will allow those attending the opportunity to see how the club operates and what we do for the community. And, hopefully they will want to join us in our fellowship and community projects.

Speaker for the day will be Healdsburg Mayor Jason Liles. And we also be entertained by a group of local Irish Dancers in keeping with the St. Patrick's Day celebration.



DONATION TO BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB: Anita Templar, executive director of the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club, accepts a check for \$5,000 from President Dan Maraviglia at the February 22 meeting. The funding came from the proceeds of the Christmas Tree Lot sale which netted the club approximately \$36,000.

Donations Approved By Board

At its February 10 meeting as reported by President Dan Maravaiglia at our February 15 meeting, the board of directors approved donations to three organizations: ; a \$500 donation to Rio Lindo Academy for the members of the school's music department to attend a session in Washington DC. This was in appreciation of Al Miller, principal of the Rio Lindo Academy and a club member, hosting the club's luncheon at the Academy on February 8th; a \$350 donation to the Circle K Club at Sonoma State University, as requested by Lt. Gov. Art Weaver, to be used by Circle K members to participate in a Habitat for Humanity project in Baltimore; and a \$5, 000 donation to the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club.

President Dan also reported that the charity fund during January raised \$623 which will go to the tsunami relief fund in India. He indicated that he would ask members of the Cloverdale Club going to that region to give the money to a Kiwanis Club there for disbursement.

And Dennis Stead reported that our special Wine Day sale event brought in \$3,135 for the Administration fund.

Alvie Rochester will be honored at the Kiwanis Mid-Year Conference in San Jose on March 5, 2005 as a dearly departed Kiwanian. This photo will be used in the slide show. Alvie had a long career in law enforcement in Sonoma, Lake and Mendocino counties and he is a past president of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club and a past Lt. Governor of Division 32.



NOTICE: Club Will Meet at Tayman Park Golf Clubhouse on March 22

President Dan Maraviglia reminded club members that the Tuesday, March 22 luncheon meeting will take place at the Tayman Park Club Course clubhouse starting at 12 noon. The guest speaker, Jimmy Stewart, owner of the company that operates the Tayman Park course, will discuss the new First Tee Program, sponsored by the Tiger Wood's Foundation, designed to help disadvantaged youth become involved in the game of golf. Tayman Park is the hub of the First Tee Program for Sonoma and surrounding counties.

Happy and Sad: Mario Lucchesi happy to donate \$87 to the Scholarship Fund in celebration of his 87th birthday ... Dennis Gary happy to donate \$93 to the Fund but sad that it was in memory of his father who recently passed away ... Carl Elze happy about the excellent turnout (standing room only) for the recent concert given by the Healdsburg Community Band ... George Clough happy \$1 in celebration of Pat and Bob Malone's 60th wedding anniversary ... Jim Silveira very happy that he was invited to play in the AT& T Pro-Am golf tournament in Pebble Beach... Al Millér, principal of the Rio Lindo Academy ,happy to welcome so many Kiwanians at the February 8 meeting held at the Academy.



Rick Norman, left and President Dan Maraviglia among those who attended the 80th anniversary celebration of the Santa Rosa Kiwanis Club on February 10.

Santa Rosa Club Celebrates Its 80th

Attending the 80th anniversary celebration of the Santa Rosa Kiwanis Club which the Healdsburg club sponsored in 1925 were Dan Maraviglia, Rick Norman, Chris Metrulas, John Bippart, Jack Brandt, Dennis Stead, Lockie Gillies, Vince Dougherty and Jerry Strong. Healdsburg continued to play the role of Big Brother by stealing the Santa Rosa Kiwanis bell returning it about half way through the meeting to much laughter. ... Reported by Dan Maraviglia.

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