



**September 2022**

**Volume 98 No. 11**

### 2022 Brandt's Beach BBQ a great success



#### The crowd settles in

The annual Brandt's Beach Barbeque was a fun filled evening enjoyed by about 80 members and guests including the usual large Cloverdale contingent and members from the Geyserville, Windsor and Santa Rosa Clubs. It was a beautiful cool evening filled with great food, excellent company, and general merriment. Kudos to superb ring master Denny Stead and a fantastic group of workers, and many thanks to the Brandt family for being so gracious in letting us use their wonderful venue.

The feast was prepared by the kitchen crew led by Dick Bugarske and Patti Robarts with Eric Smith, Lockie Gillies and Don Marshall at the fire grilling steaks. Judy Everett, with others, provided the appetizers. For dessert, Liz, Nancy and Barbara prepared delicious cowboy cookies - recipe by Liz.

Patti Robarts led the dining area setup and several members attended to obtaining and serving the wine. Our Lt. Governor, Anna Grant and her husband Michael were expert bartenders. Denny has expressed great appreciation for all the other hard-working volunteers too numerous to list (and the fear of forgetting someone – "you know who you are".)

Fun activities were offered including a ring toss at a group of unopened wine bottles (to win the wine if the ring encircled the neck), and a corn hole challenge (bean bag toss). Our corn hole team of Hunt Conrad and Guy French played well but were eventually eliminated and the contest was won by the Cloverdale team of Michael Laird and Trudie Fulsom triumphing over the Geyserville team.

Brandt's Beach BBQ preliminary estimated net profit totaled about \$9,300 for the Project and Legacy Funds, as detailed at right. As Project Treasurer Ron Doble commented, "not bad for a one-day event!"

See page 2 for more photos.

**Kiwanis ----- Serving the  
Children of the world®**

#### The Cloverdale contingent

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

#### Meeting Dates:

**Sep 6:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Loretta Strong**, Mediterranean cruise

**Sep 13:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Jeff Kay**, Healdsburg City Manager - City Operations and the Kevin Burke Memorial Scholarship Fund'

**Sep 15:** Board of Directors Meeting- Round Table Pizza, 5:30pm.

**Sep 20:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Richard Iverson**, Letter from WWI

**Sep 25:** Installation of 2022/23 Healdsburg Kiwanis officers, River Rock Casino, 4 pm.

**Sep 27:** Evening Meeting 6:30pm social, 7:00 pm meeting, meeting optional since installation dinner held on Sep 25. To be decided.

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

#### Income and Expenses

Silent Auction	\$1,500
Live Auction	\$7,000
Ring Toss	\$100
Drinks	\$500
Gate	\$2,800
Groceries/supplies	<del>-\$2,200</del>
Total proceeds	\$9,300



**Liz and Dick greet and check guests in**



**Expert bartenders Anna and Richard**



**Hunt and Patti**



**Hunt scores**



**Eric got called to put out a fire  
Lockie takes over**



**Nancy takes aim**



**The official Publication of the  
Healdsburg Kiwanis Club  
Box 1156, Healdsburg, CA  
95448**

**www.healdsburgkiwanis.org**

**OFFICERS 2021-2022**

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

**Board of Directors**

One Year Term    Two Year Term  
Harry Jackson    Eric Smith  
Liz Bippart        Barbara Erickson  
Brian Wells        Susan Sheehy  
Diane Pierce       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**

Eric Smith – Sept. 6  
Debi Doble – Sept 7  
Cynthia Brown – Sept. 23  
Lindsay Wurlitzer – Sept. 23  
Robert Taylor – Sept. 27

**Kiwanis Anniversaries**

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


James Schmidt - 9-7-04  
Jerry Strong - 9-8-92  
Gary Plass - 9-25-01  
Randolph Collins - 9-25-01

**The President’s Message**

This is my last month as President and I thank all of you who supported me and stepped up to make our projects successful. You are my friends. I am in awe of your desire and ability to make things happen and get things done. We are a truly dedicated group that works well together to enhance the dreams and opportunities for the children of Healdsburg. That's a good thing. Thank You!

Now, we are ready to move on to The Big One: The Healdsburg Kiwanis 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. That is amazing! Our club certainly has a storied history and a lasting reputation for giving to the community and it is our time to shine. The right man is leading the charge: President Dennis Stead. Denny and his Merry Band of Officers will be inducted on September 25<sup>th</sup> at River Rock Casino. It is a great venue with a great menu. Some libations and shenanigans will be had. You will want to be there, so be there. The truth is, Denny has been busy all year planning some impressive events for our 100<sup>th</sup>. So Here Goes! Get Ready....!

Rowdy Yates, President

  
RIVER ROCK CASINO  
Join the festivities on September 25<sup>th</sup> for the installation of our new president, Dennis Stead and his Merry Band of 2022/2023 officers. The celebration kicks off at the 4 pm to 5 pm social hour, followed by dinner at 5 pm and the installation from 6 to 7 pm. River Rock Casino located at 3250 Highway 128 East, Geyserville on the Dry Creek Rancheria, amidst the rolling hills of Alexander Valley.



**Cloverdale member  
Ernie Franssen  
at Brandt’s Beach,  
always a major  
contributor at the auctions.  
Thanks for your support,  
Ernie!!!**

**OFFICERS 2022-2023**

President – Dennis Stead  
Co-presidents Elect – Eric Smith,  
Richard Bugarske  
Secretary – Nancy Arsenault\*  
Admin. Treasurer- Richard Bugarske\*  
Project Treasurer - Ron Doble\*  
Past President – Richard Yates  
(Rowdy)

**Board of Directors**

One Year Term    Two Year Term  
Hunt Conrad        Joanne Kolinski  
Barbara Erickson    Liz Bippart  
Susan Sheehy        Brian Wells  
Darlene Prigmore    Diane Pierce  
\* Continuing

## Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

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

### Administration Management

#### Financials

- The Administrative Treasurer's Report was approved. Total Administrative fund assets are \$23,151 allocated as follows: \$13,151 Admin Fund, \$10,000 Admin Fund Reserve. The Charity Fund contains \$20. The first \$400 was expended for District Service Awards.

#### Business:

- Dick reached out to Sharon Gallagher and Corrine Salazar (Lavish) regarding whether to stay or leave the club. Each will get an email discussing interest in future attendance in the club. This leaves approximately 50 members of the club. Randy Collins and John Bippart will be moved to honorary status.
- Suggested Supplemental Lunch Meal Program ideas were discussed:
  - Annual membership dues per member is \$180.00 (\$45 per quarter). Our club needs \$260 per member annually (to pay the Kiwanis International dues of \$137.50 along with the monthly rent and administration of approximately \$122.50). Therefore, we have a shortfall of \$80.00 per member annually.
  - We must bring in \$5,000 more to break even. The club expects to bring in \$15,000 from the FFA Fair, the Steelhead Festival, and Happy/Sad dollars which can cover this shortfall leaving approximately \$10,000 for other administrative costs.
  - Dick suggested that we could use this extra \$10,000 to supplement the weekly cost of meals lowering the price from \$16 to \$10 per meal with the club supplementing the difference by paying Catered by Patti approximately \$100 per week from the administration fund. The total approximate yearly expense for this would be \$4,500

leaving \$5,500 extra for the administration fund annually. A subcommittee of Darlene, Diane, Dick, Liz, and Denny will be established to hammer out these details to determine a course of action to present to the general club members and Patti regarding the lunch meal program and report back to the Board in September of 2022.

- An additional subcommittee will be created to discuss the location of weekly meetings, possible changes to meeting times, and the possible design of future meetings. This group will include Eric, Anna, Susan, and Barbara.

### Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation

#### Grants/Donations/Requests

- Healdsburg Center for the Arts Fair – \$350 per request of \$300 to \$500 to support the fair.

#### Financials

- The Foundation Financial Report was approved. Total Foundation assets are \$84,030, allocate as follows:

#### Permanently Restricted

Children's Fund Endowment \$25,669.

**Total Permanently Restricted \$25,669**

**Retained Earnings \$25,718**

#### Temporarily Restricted

Two Year Reserve, 15k per year \$30,000

Vocational Scholarship \$14,895

Dormire Scholarship \$3,548

Jordan Strong Memorial \$5,070

**Total Temporary Restricted \$53,513**

**Unrestricted Funds - \$6,210**

**Net Income -\$14,661**

**Total Assets \$84,030**

## Meetings

**Aug 2:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Corn Hole BBQ competition try-outs.



**Nancy qualified**



**Patti tried hard but came up short**

At the suggestion of Hunt Conrad at last week's meeting, since there was no scheduled speaker on August 2, we enjoyed practicing and qualifying for the upcoming corn hole tournament at Brandt's Beach. Hunt was a no show!

**Aug 9:** Paula Kelley, Kiwanis Family House.

We welcomed Paula to our August 9 meeting, and we thank her for a very informative presentation. Paula recently relocated to Sacramento from New Hampshire and joined Kiwanis Family House as Executive Director.



Kiwanis Family House provides temporary housing and support to families of seriously ill or injured children and adults being treated at University of California, Davis, Medical Center, Sacramento or at Shriners Hospital. Values are guided by the KIWANIS Service Motto: "Serving the Children of the World". The KIWANIS FAMILY HOUSE encourages the following core values:



The facility offers inexpensive family accommodations - with individual bedrooms, fully equipped kitchens, bathrooms, food and clothes closets, laundry and hook-ups for recreational vehicles. Free internet access is available as well as free long distance telephone calls, spiritual counseling, free parking and a free shuttle bus to the hospital. Kiwanis Clubs from around the

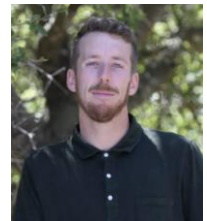
Sacramento region provide financial and volunteer support for the facility. Guests come to the Kiwanis Family House through referrals from UCD Medical Center social workers, emergency rooms, and doctor's offices. A daily rent fee of \$50 is requested from each family but will accept whatever the family can afford. Compare to the average cost of \$169 per night at nearby hotels.

The house contains 31 rooms available for overnight occupancy and one room reserved for daytime use. About 2000 referrals were accommodated last year.

<https://kiwanisfamilyhouse.org>

**Aug 16:** Gus Morris, Press Democrat sportswriter.

We welcomed Gus Morris, Sportswriter for the Press Democrat and former Healdsburg High student. Gus shared his story about his journey from HHS to the Press Democrat via the University of Oregon.



..... I was a sophomore at Healdsburg High School when I joined our student newspaper, and it quickly became my favorite class. With some encouragement from our journalism teacher, who was also our AP English teacher (shoutout, Mrs. Lehrmann), I fully committed to pursuing sports writing. .... It's an honor to be able to give that back to my community. Now, is every day perfect? Far from it. Is the job demanding at times? Does it require late nights and other sacrifices? Yes, yes and yes. But in all honesty, I couldn't imagine doing anything else. And if you had told teenager Gus Morris that one day I'd be covering sports for The Press Democrat, I probably wouldn't have believed you. *Extract from a PD Article about Gus.*

**Aug 23:** Richard Norgrove, raising & racing pigeons

Diane Pierce introduced our speaker, her brother Richard Norgrove Sr. at our Aug. 23 meeting. Diane assured us that Richard's talk "will be quite interesting . . . we grew up with our dad raising & racing pigeons."



Diane was correct! Richard told us all about pigeons and his passion for raising and raising them. Some facts about Pigeons:

- Common pigeons weigh about 4 oz. compared to racing pigeons which weigh about 16 oz.
- Racing Pigeons have a life span of 4 to 5 years for racing and 2 to 10 years for breeding.
- Pigeons have hollow bones and air sacs that help keep them aloft.
- Racing pigeons fly 45 to 50 mph,
- Normally they will mate for life.



Richard races his pigeons during the “old bird season that starts in April and continues for 8 weeks. “One Loft Races” are races flown from one location. On race day birds are released all at once for flights of 250 to 300 miles. The birds fly back to their single loft where they are clocked. These money races may have as many as 20,00 birds entered. Some races have as much as \$1,000,000 in prize money. Richard has done well and has won enough prize money to support his hobby plus ??? (IRS censored).

Race preparation starts on Basketing Race Night. The flyers (Richard) bring their birds to their club house and enter them into aluminum baskets which hold about 25 pigeons per basket. The baskets are stamp sealed and loaded on a semi-truck which is then driven to other individual clubs to pick up all basketed birds, and then continues to the release point. The birds are watered, and they are released 30 minutes after sunrise. Time and GP coordinates are sent to the Race Secretary to notify each club member, and the race is on.

Richard trains his racing birds by the “motivation widowhood system”. Prior to the race the racer spends time with his mate, but separated by a screen. His mate tells him to hurry home and

he is motivated for high speed because he knows that he will have some private time with his mate when he gets home.

**Aug 30: Evening Meeting at Plaza Concert - The Rubinoos - Power Pop, Power Rock**

The weather was near perfect, and folks brought simple food to share, and a number of adult beverages were available and consumed during the concert. It was the final concert of the year, and the band was great. Here are some photos taken by several members of other members enjoying the festivities.



**Happy sighting of Jim Silveira and wife, Karen**





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

Lucy Lewand happy for netting \$4,000 at estate sale for benefit of Hospice and Humane Society.

Diane Pierce happy to welcome a new great granddaughter.

Dick Bugarske happy for the Prune Packer's successful season. Happy for visit by all 8 grandchildren.

Brian Wells happy for enjoyable Alaska cruise with grandsons.

Loretta Strong a happy \$20 for Patti purchasing a \$100 brick at Kiwanis Family House in memory of Jordy.



# The Builder - - KIWANIS CLUB OF HEALDSBURG

Dick Bugarske is seeking more ideas for "Healdsburg Kiwanis is Pretty Cool". If you have some thoughts, please send them along. It would be much appreciated.



## Healdsburg Kiwanis is Pretty Cool



In May of 2022, we gave 28, \$1,000 Scholarships to graduating Seniors at HHS.

We sponsor some pretty cool events like the St. Patrick's Day music and dancers and the Fitch Mt. Footrace in June.

Since 1949 we have supported the HHS Key Club and their great service opportunities for HHS students.

We are celebrating our 100 Anniversary next year!

We have sponsored the local Scout Troop 21 since the 1930's.

Did you know that our Club dues are only \$15 a month?

We meet every Tuesday at the Villa Annex and have food, fellowship, and very cool speakers.

We have wonderful "FUN"draisers like the Pancake Breakfast in April, the Brandt's Beach BBQ and a very important Safety Fair.

We have cool food booths at the FFA Fair and the Steelhead Festival.

Did you know that we are the sponsor for the Healdsburg High School Athletic Hall of Fame?

Kids need Kiwanis and we think it is pretty cool to volunteer our time for the children of Healdsburg and children everywhere.

We have over 50 fantastic members in our Club and they are all pretty cool, for sure!



# SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, May 6, 2023  
10am - 3pm

## Healdsburg Fire and Emergency Preparedness Expo



Join us at the community center for a day full of free activities!

Attend preparedness demonstrations in  
English & Spanish.

See the latest firefighting trucks, bulldozers,  
and equipment.

Pick up free go-bags, evacuation maps, and more!

**To support this event, contact us at:**

email: [clarkstead@aol.com](mailto:clarkstead@aol.com)

**HEALDSBURG KIWANIS CLUB**  
P.O. Box 1156  
Healdsburg, CA 95448