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of Healdsburg



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OFFICERS FOR 2012-13 Hunt Conrad, center, 2011-12 president whose term expires on September 30, presents the newly elected 2012-2013 officers, left, Loretta Strong who will be serving her second term as president, and right, Dick Bugarske, president-elect, also his second term. Phil Luks was reelected as secretary and Albert (Pete) Peterson was reelected as the club's treasurer.

Club Members Approve by Electing Loretta Strong, Dick Bugarske For Second Terms

When she is installed as 2012-2013 president in late September, Loretta Strong will be the only other club member to serve two terms as president. Bruno Rodella was president in 1970 and again eight years later in 1978. Loretta, along with Dick Bugarske who also will be serving a second term, was unanimously elected at the July 17 meeting. The slate of officers for 2012-2013 was presented to the membership by Lee Gunnerson, Nominating Committee chairman. Members of his committee helping in this process were Dennis Stead, Dan Maraviglia and George Clough.

Phil Luks was re-elected as secretary and Albert (Pete) Peterson as treasurer. Hunt Conrad will be the past president and along with Loretta and Dick will comprise the executive committee.

Board of Directors elected for a two year term were Susan Sheehy, Mark Zimmerman, Dan Gianni and Jerry Strong. Continuing to serve on the board for another year are Jan Gianni, Ron Puccioni, Dee Whitehall and Richard Yates.

New members of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund also were elected at the July 17 meeting. New members are Ken Scharer who will be taking over for John Bippart who opted not to run again, Guy French and Hunt Conrad bringing the number of board members to seven from the original five. Re-elected to serve are Charles Reichel, Dan Maraviglia, Dennis Stead and Jack Brandt. As a past president and member of the board of the club, board of directors Hunt will be the liaison between the two boards.

Calendar

AUGUST 7: Regular meeting
12 noon at Villa Annex.

AUGUST 14: Regular
meeting, 12 noon at Villa
Annex.

AUGUST 16: Board of
Directors meeting, 7 p.m.
Conference Room at the
Healdsburg Fire Station.

AUGUST 21: Regular meeting,
12 noon at the Villa Annex

AUGUST 28: Evening
meeting, 6:30 p.m. social
hour, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa
Annex.

SEPTEMBER 8: Barbecue
and Auction at Brandt's
Picnic Grounds, 6 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 12: 4th Annual
Kiwanis Club's Challenge
Golf Tournament at Windsor
Golf Course, 1 p.m. shotgun
start. Entry forms contact
Dan Gianni or Hunt Conrad.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club
meets Tuesday noon at the Villa
Chanticleer Annex. For
information about the
Healdsburg Kiwanis Club
contact Hunt Conrad, president
at 431-9715 or Phil Luks,
secretary at 433-8005.

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Children of the world.**

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OFFICERS 2011-2012

Hunt Conrad, President
Loretta Strong, President Elect
Phil Luks, Secretary
Albert(Pete)Peterson, Treasurer
Richard Bugarske, Immediate Past
President

Board of Directors

George Clough
Jan Gianni
Ron Puccioni
Bob Santucci
James Schmidt
Richard Thomas
Dee Whitehall
Richard Yates

Memorial Scholarship

Board of Directors

John Bippart
John (Jack) Brandt
Dan Maraviglia
Charles Reichel
Dennis Stead

THE BUILDER

Arnold Santucci, Editor
Richard Iverson, Member
June Smith, Member

Happy Birthday

Phil Luks – August 3
Don Marshall – August 3
Ron Doble – August 3
Judith Everett – August 4
James Lucchesi – August 4
Kurt Hahn – August 5
Ken Scharer – August 6
Susan Sheehy – August 17
Jesse Whitely – August 19

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Joseph Engler: 8-28-01
Vince Ciolino: 8-27-02
David Jones – 8-8-06
Jeff DeZurik – 8-4-09

The President's Message:

Attendance, Programs and Two Great Events

By Hunt Conrad

The Dog Dayz of summer are definitely here and a lot of folks are off enjoying family vacations. Attendance at both lunch meetings and the evening meeting has been lighter than normal but expected for this time of the year. I would ask that if you are in town that you make the effort to attend meetings. It is so much more fun when you are there.

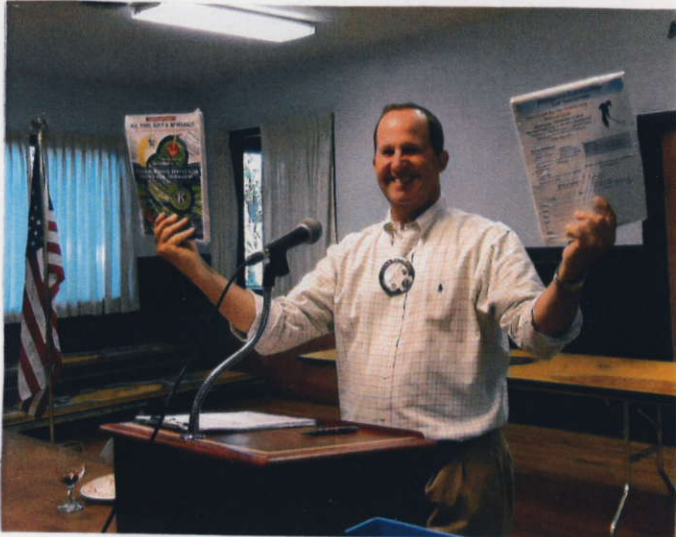
In addition, the presence of guests has been little light and I would ask that you look around, once again, at your circle of friends and acquaintances and ask them to attend a meeting. I understand they may give you the standard excuses of why they don't want to come but they also might surprise you by answering in the affirmative. And I have one more request of everyone before I move on. We have had a couple of holes in our program calendar lately and I would ask that you help Loretta out with program suggestions. Almost everyone that has lived a little has a story to tell. Obviously stories of heroic deeds or far off travels are interesting but really there is so much more that could be explored within our circles that I think most would find interesting. Don't dismiss or let others dismiss the valuable contributions that people make and how their stories might make a difference in some one's life. We really are a pretty safe group to give a presentation to. A little encouragement might be all that is needed to get a great program out of someone.

Coming up we have two great and fun events. On September 8th the Brandt's Beach BBQ is going to happen. Dick Bugarske is the event chair and he will be looking for help, donations of auction items, and, of course, attendance. It is a great opportunity to invite guests as well. Sure to be a fun filled evening.

And the after that we will have our 4th annual Golf Tournament at the Windsor Golf Course on Wednesday the 12th with program activities at noon and tee off at 1 p.m. BBQ lunch will be served on course by Patti Robarts at the top of the 7th and 14th holes and then we will get together for a lovely and usually spirited dinner and awards presentation. Get your foursomes together and talk it up among your friends. Dan and I will be accepting applications. Roger Dormire is our sponsor chair so please make sure to ask Roger how you can help get sponsors. Tournament volunteers are always welcome and as we draw nearer we will get those lined up.

In the meantime FORE !!!

CONDOLENCES to Chris Metrulas and the Metrulas family on the passing of their father, Steve Metrulas on July 31 in Healdsburg. Born to Fannie and Chris Metrulas on May 12, 1928 in Eureka, CA, he was a first generation Greek American. A child of the Great Depression, Steve had a very strong work ethic. He was a machinist for thirty five years during his career. He loved to camp and travel with his wife Pat of 53 years who died in 2005 and to garden and cook. He joined Kiwanis on July 1, 2001 and was active in all the club's fundraising activities. He is survived by his children Kathy Sylvester (Clay), Chris Metrulas (Maggie), Thom Metrulas (Barbara), Rachel Rodrigues (Paul) and Pete Metrulas (Lynn), nine grandchildren, two great grand children plus many other relatives. Memorial Services were held Monday, August 6 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Healdsburg.



FOURTH ANNUAL CHALLENGE GOLF TOURNAMENT; Hunt Conrad holds up the entry form and flyer advertising the 4th annual Challenge Golf Tournament set for September 12 at the Windsor Golf Club.

Players, Donations, Sponsors Sought for Annual Golf Tourney

Co-chairs Dan Gianni and Hunt Conrad urged the members to contact their family members, friends and business associates to take part in the fourth annual Kiwanis Golf Challenge tournament scheduled for Wednesday, September 12 at the Windsor Golf Course. Dan and Hunt promise the participants "fun, food, golf and beverages". This year in addition to the dinner there will be a BBQ lunch on the course catered by Patti Robarts and her crew. Roger Dormire is in charge of obtaining sponsors.. Contact him if you wish to be a sponsor or can help him obtain sponsors.

The tournament is open to all service clubs and the people who help support them. Individuals are encouraged to take part and will be set up in a foursome. The event will get underway at noon with a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

The \$125 fee per person includes golf, carts, range balls and tee gift. The fee prior to September 1 is \$115 per person. The committee promises lots of prizes.

If you wish to enter the tournament, be a sponsor or donate a prize, contact Hunt Conrad at 431-9715 or Dan Gianni at 431-1650

Assignment of Standing and Events Committees for New Kiwanis Year

A meeting devoted to the election of officers and the assignment of members to standing and events committees took place on July 17. Following the election procedures the members were asked to look over the standing and events committees by President Hunt Conrad and Dick Bugarske and to pick which ones they choose to serve on. As members made known their choices, the changes were made by Dick on the laptop and shown on the screen.. Dick also e-mailed the preliminary roster to each member asking him/her to indicate any changes or preferences. If you have not received a copy of the latest roster, please contact Dick Bugarske.

The official and final version will be published in October and mailed to each member in the October Newsletter. Richard Iverson, a member of the Publications Committee, is in charge of the membership and assignment roster and should be contacted during the year regarding any changes in addresses and phone and e mail numbers. Copies of these changes should go also to Pete Peterson and Arnold Santucci especially any changes in addresses.

Chairs of the Standing Committees are: **Loretta Strong**, Executive Committee; **Dick Bugarske**, Student of the Month; **Jim Schmidt**, House and Reception; **Jan Gianni**, Membership; **Arnold Santucci**, Publications; **Rich Thomas**, Fundraising; **Dick Bugarske**, Public Relations; **Susan Sheehy**, Inter-Club; **Dick Bugarske**, Programs; **Dick Bugarske and Hunt Conrad**, co-chairs, Key Club; **Jan Gianni**, Sunshine/Bereavement; **Bob Taylor**, Boy Scouts Troop 21; **Dan Maraviglia**, Financial Review; **Loretta Strong**, Scholarship Awards.

Chairs of the Events Committee are: **Denny Stead**, First Book Project; **Bob Santucci**, Pancake Breakfast; **Dick Bugarske**, Advertising for Pancake Breakfast; **Ken Scharer**, Christmas Tree Lot; **David Jones and Vince Ciolino**, Fitch Mountain Foot Race; **Hunt Conrad and Dan Gianni**, Golf Tournament; **Denny Stead and Ken Scharer**, FFCF Food Booth; **Jerry Strong**, FFCF Brigade; **Roger Dormire**, Relay for Life Breakfast; **Carl Elze**, Caroling; **Richard Iverson**, Presents Project; **Dan Maraviglia**, Memorial Scholarship board.

Garlic Fries and Sausages at Beer Fest

Again this year the club will participate in the Soroptimist Club sponsored Beer in the Plaza, a fund raiser for the local Soroptimist organization. Bob Santucci will be cooking up our famous garlic fries and sausages for the annual fest which will take place on September 8 in the Plaza Square. Bob has invited John Chong, SRJC president and members of the SRJC Culinary Academy to assist that day.

LeRoy's Limerick : By LeRoy Steck

The Pancake Breakfast is over and done
The Fitch Mountain Foot Race has also been run
So here is the spinner
Who was really the winner
As usual with Kiwanis it's the kids who won

Thank You:

Loretta Strong, chair of the Memorial Scholarship Selection Committee shared the following thank you letter from Max Manoukian, one of the seven Healdsburg High School graduating seniors to receive a \$2200 scholarship this year.



Dear Ms Loretta Strong:

Thank you so much for selecting me to be this year's recipient of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Scholarship. I am extremely grateful for this generous donation. Words can not describe how appreciative I am. Because of generous donors as yourself, continuing my education will be less of a daunting task than it seemed to be just a few months ago.

I just recently graduated from Healdsburg High School where I have been a student for the last 4 years. At Healdsburg I participated in 3 Varsity sports, foot ball, wrestling and swimming. I was an ASB officer for four years, and I was an FFA officer for 3 years. Agriculture has been a steady and prominent theme in my life since I was a young child in 4-H. I joined Alexander Valley 4-H when I was six and just attended my last meeting last week. In 4-H, I found my love for raising and showing animals leadership. I thank 4-H for installing in me at a young age a love for agriculture and everything that agriculture involves. After being able to explore and expand my interests in Ag through FFA I have found an interest and possible majors in Ag Business and Ag Policy. I plan to further explore these possible career paths at Chico State or Southern Oregon University next fall,

Without people like you who have generously helped me with my future education, my love for Ag and my dream of making a career out of it would have been a steep hill to climb. But now it is a reachable goal. Some day after graduating college I hope to move back to Sonoma County and become involved with the community and give back to those who have given me so much. Once again I am endlessly appreciative of the scholarship I received and I look forward to staying in contact with you.

Sincerely, Max Manoukian



MISSION ACCOMPLISHED: With an official visit to the Willits Club on July 2, Susna Sheehy, inter club chair, with an e-mail and photo happily announced that the Inter Club Visitation Program had been completed. All 16 clubs in Division 32 had been visited by four or more Healdsburg Club members during the 2011-2012 year. From the left, Willits Kiwanis Club president Matt Rountree, Susan Sheehy, Dennis Stead, Dee Whitehall, Albert (Pete) Peterson and incoming Division 32 Lt.. Governor Doug Braik of Santa Rosa. (Photo courtesy Susan Sheehy).

Club Board Approves A Matching Grant Request, Tables Two Others

At the club's monthly board meeting held July 19, the members approved a \$1500 matching grant request from the Salvation Army ARC at Lytton. The request is contingent upon a \$1500 Healdsburg Rotary Club matching grant. The funds will be used for GED instruction for beneficiaries at the Lytton facility.

A \$2,750 request to purchase video equipment for the Villa Annex was tabled pending receipt of more definitive data.

Another request for \$2,500 from the H-Town Youth Theatre to pay for rent at the Raven Theatre also was tabled pending receipt of more definitive data.

Several items of general club business were discussed, some of which were tabled for future discussion and some were dismissed.

This was a short meeting.

by Albert (Pete) Peterson.

Barbecue, Auction Set for September 8 at the Brandt's Picnic Grounds

Dick Bugarske, chair of the club's annual barbecue and auction said that the event has been scheduled for Saturday, September 8. Usually held in early August this year the event had to be postponed until this date because of scheduling conflicts at the usual location.

The committee met Wednesday evening to plan for the barbecue and live and silent auctions.

Items for the silent auction tables are needed as well as special events such as dinners, lunches, vacation packages, fishing expeditions, vacation rentals and wines. If you, your family, business associates and friends can offer any of these specialty items please contact Dick Bugarske.

In the past few years the barbecue has featured a celebrity chef but most of the culinary work will be done by club members. If you wish to help please connect with the chairman.

On that same afternoon some club members, headed by Bob Santucci, will be assisting at the Beer in the Plaza Fest sponsored by the Soroptimist Club. The Kiwanis Club will feature our famous garlic fries and sausage at the Beer in the Plaza event.

Dewitt Family Trust Donation Helps To Bring Memorial Fund to \$250,000

Dan Maraviglia, chairman of the Healdsburg Memorial Scholarship Fund, announced in early July that the Dewitt Family Trust donation to the club was a little over \$50,000. He said that this generous donation would bring the Fund close to the \$250,000 mark.

Following up on this announcement Charles Reichel, treasurer of the Fund, in an e mail verified that the Dewitt donation as of June 30, 2012 was \$52,661.18 and was placed in an Edward Jones account.

Chuck added that "we have requests out to the Healdsburg Kiwanis financial people to make suggestions for all the money to be invested. Edward Jones is in cash. We have too much in checking at the Bank of the West and the short term bond fund would drop in value if the interest rates go up. I am comfortable with the US Equity Fund we have. We do need to put the money to work to both throw off income as well as provide us with upside potential appreciation. Our hope is to do this without paying out a lot of ongoing investment fees. \$250K in assets is a nice little fund. At this level I feel that we in the Club can manage if for security and income for now."

In addition to cash in the bank, the Fund investments include a short term bond worth \$32,452, \$140,295 in an Equity Fund plus \$52,000 in the Edward Jones account.



Loretta Strong shows off the container which she will distribute to the clubs to collect "your change" for the Eliminate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus project.

Loretta Strong Wants Your Pocket Change for the Eliminate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus Project

One of her goals for her up coming tenure as 2012-2013 president is to collect your pocket coins each week. Loretta Strong, speaking to the club members at the evening meeting on July 24 said that she wants to help the Kiwanis International/UNICEF sponsored project – ELIMINATE maternal and neonatal tetanus around the world with this extra special push.

She made it clear that she does not want this program to interfere with the weekly donation of one dollar given by the members along with their attendance slip. This dollar – the President's Fund – is designated by him or her for a specific charity. For example, the immediate past president Dick Bugarske, instead of specifying a specific charity donated his fund to various local school programs.

The goal of the Eliminate Project is to do away with maternal and neonatal tetanus on a world wide basis. Entailing a five year project – it was started in 2010 – UNICEF and the Melinda and Bill Gates Foundation became partners with Kiwanis International to achieve the goal of eliminating this disease which, it is estimated, is killing a child every six minutes. 40 countries are affected by the disease.

The disease is an infection contracted by any open wounds during the birth process. It can be cured by a simple vaccination that has to be administered three times. And the cost is only \$1.80 per child !



AWARD AND PROCLAMATION: Edgar Deas, second from left, receives congratulations from Mayor Gary Plass, right and Mark Gladden, second from right, on receiving the Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society's History Lives/Pioneer Award at the Museum dinner held July 12 at Trenadue Winery. In addition to the Pioneer Award Edgar was presented with a City of Healdsburg Proclamation read by Mayor Plass in which his outstanding services to the city and community were outlined. July 12 was proclaimed Edgar Deas Day in Healdsburg. Edgar is a long time member of the club serving as president in 1981.

Kurt Hahn Seeks Reelection to North County Healthcare Board

Kiwanian Kurt Hahn, presently board chair of the North Sonoma County Healthcare District board, has announced that he will seek reelection to the board in the November election.

The North Sonoma County Healthcare District owns and operates the Healdsburg District Hospital as well as healthcare facilities in Windsor and Cloverdale. Kurt served for 22 years as finance and economic development director for Healdsburg retiring in 1988 at which time he joined the Healdsburg Hospital Board. It was at this time that he and Dr. Daniel Rose took on the leadership to prevent the closing of the Healdsburg Hospital by the then owner HCA Colombia

Kurt is a 34 year member of the Kiwanis Club serving as president in 1993. He has served on the board of the Healdsburg Shared Ministries for 33 years and a long time member of the American Legion Sotoyome Post 111.

Congratulations To: Loretta and Jerry Strong on their 31st wedding anniversary ...to Charlene and Phil Luks on their 30th anniversary To Kaaren and Hunt Concrad and their 19th anniversary... to Jan and Dan Gianni on their 30th anniversaryVi and Arnold Santucci on their 62nd anniversary ... to Susan Sheehy on the arrival of her fifth grandchild born July 23 to her daughter Kelly. The newborn was named Lilly Ann and weighed 4 lbs,8 ounces.... To June Smith for the wonderful article which Shonnie Brown wrote about her and which appeared in a recent edition of the Healdsburg Tribune.

Condolences To: Gary Plass and his family on the loss of his sister Judy Crandall who died unexpectedly on June 24. In her memory Gary donated \$100 to the Healdsburg Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Happy and SadKurt Hahn happy that the doctors gave him a go ahead to seek reelection to the North Sonoma County Healthcare District board ...Dick Bugarske happy that his young grandson was picked to appear in a commercial ...LeRay Steack happy about his recent weight loss.

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TO:

