

THE BUILDER

# KIWANIS CLUB

of Healdsburg



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## Welcome to our new corporate members



**Co-Pres. Dan Gianni, new member Kathy Burgess, membership chair Loretta Strong, new member Rachelle Jackson, Co-Pres. Jan Gianni and sponsor George Clough**

Bank of the West joins the Salvation Army as our second corporate member. Staff members, Kathy Burgess and Rachelle Jackson were inducted at our March 31 meeting. Kathy and Rachelle along with Mark Bunyad, Wealth Management adviser at the bank, were speakers at the March 3 meeting, see page 3.

## 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast



**Liz Bippart and Vince Ciolino flip the pancakes**

The 59<sup>th</sup> annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast was held on Palm Sunday, March 29 at the Villa Chanticleer. An estimated 660 hungry people enjoyed all-you-can-eat pancakes with real maple syrup, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice and coffee. (Continued on page 2).

## Calendar

### Meeting Dates:

**Apr. 7:** Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Bob Taylor – Cyrus Alexander Collection,

**Apr.14:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Lois Loofbourrow – Director of PSST Jr. High tutoring program.

**Apr 16:** Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

**Apr. 21:** Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Omar Gallardo – Land Paths/Outreach and Diversity Director.

**Apr. 28:** Evening Meeting 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex. Program TBD.

### Other April dates:

Apr. 4: K1 Day – Georgi Park rehab.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex 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 Dan or Jan Gianni, Co-Presidents at 836-1615, or 431-1650, 536-8286 (cells) or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8055

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Blueberry Pancakes almost ready to flip

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Dennis Stead

### The Builder

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### Happy Birthday

Martin Silge – April 14  
Gary Plass – April 16  
Guy French – April 24  
David Scharer – April 29

### Kiwanis Anniversaries

*Congratulations to the following members  
who joined the Kiwanis Club during the  
month of April*

John Dayton: 4-2-91  
Todd Brandt: 4-7-01  
Richard Norgrove: 4-7-96  
Dan Maraviglia: 4-8-97  
Kurt Hahn: 4-11-78  
Guy French: 4-12-05  
Dennis Stead: 4-13-99  
Roger Dormire: 4-16-02  
Al Peterson: 4-19-88  
David Scharer: 4-20-10  
Brian Wells: 4-20-10  
Richard Yates: 4-20-10

## The President's Message

Happy Spring Fellow Club Members!

Thank you once again, Susan Sheehy and Judy Everett for all that you did to make yet another successful day of Pancakes in Healdsburg! Our Kiwanis Club is extremely fortunate to have the outstanding and hardworking members that we do. You should all feel proud of yourselves that when our guests entered the room at the Villa, they saw a bright, cheery, decorated, clean room being run by lots of capable and strong, friendly individuals, including those super Cub Scouts. **Thank you to all of you!**

2015 Co-Presidents,  
Jan and Dan

## Pancake Breakfast (continued from page 1)

This year's event chair was vice president Susan Sheehy, who was assisted by the committee members and a crew of many mixers, cooks and servers working in three shifts. Dick Bugarske chaired the advertising effort assisted by a crew soliciting advertising from local businesses. In addition to ticket sales, the advertising is a major source of income. The crew sold newspaper advertisements appearing in the *Healdsburg Tribune* to 91 local businesses and other groups or individuals. The club very much appreciates this enthusiastic public support and members are encouraged to support these local businesses and say thank you.

The pancake breakfast is one of our major fund raisers. Proceeds from the event are unavailable but will be included in next month's newsletter.

More photos on page 5

## Marty Silgy big lotto winner

Once again against long odds, all 9 black checkers in the lotto bag were drawn leaving the single red one for the automatic winner on the 10<sup>th</sup> draw. Marty Silge was the lucky winner, splitting the \$1088 jackpot 50/50 with the Admin. Fund.



**Marty shows the money**



## Board of Directors Meeting

From notes provided by Phil Luks

The following are actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting on Thursday March 19, 2015:

### Grant requests and expenditures

- Lieutenant Governor - \$1,501 per her request for reimbursement for expenses connected with her duties.
- Boy Scout Troop 21 - \$6,000 for Clary Hall rental, insurance and equipment. Troop 21 was one of our main partners, and that while we had funded them at the \$2,000 to \$4,000 level in recent years, they deserved our support to a greater extent than "one-off" donees.
- Little League - \$250 for a Kiwanis banner at Rec Field.
- Buses for Healdsburg High School's Graduation Night - \$2,000. The Club has been funding this activity for several years.
- Healdsburg Nursery School - \$1500 for termite eradication per request of Jennifer Tupman. The Board agreed to talk with the Nursery School for parent help in the Club's fundraising efforts - FFA, Tree Lot, etc.
- Scholarship Fund - \$10,000, raising the total combined Club/Scholarship Fund amount for 2015 to \$17,500 from \$16,000 last year. The Board also discussed scholarship criteria, with the hope that the Scholarship Committee would emphasize vocational as well as academic careers.
- The Club's three KI international convention attendees – raised from \$2,000 to \$3,000 in total in view of increased airline ticket costs


### Other discussion and action

- The Board continued to support and define plans to renovate the barbeque at the Villa as the Club's KI 100th anniversary project. Rick Norman will work with both the City and the Villa's lessee to develop a specific plan and budget.
- Approved a corporate membership - similar to that for the Salvation Army - for Bank of the West.
- Loretta Strong reported the results of the recent survey conducted by the Membership Committee. 47 surveys were returned. 40 responders said the Club was meeting their expectations. The principal recommendations for improvement were to improve the quality of speakers, appoint a person responsible for social media (Facebook Etc.), and use the

"sunshine committee" to reach out to members who infrequently attend meetings, have members as guest speakers and have more "field trips" like our trip to the Bear Republic brewery.

## Meeting Programs

### March 3: Bank of the West History and Wealth Management

Our guest speakers  on March 3 were Rachelle Jackson, Kathy Burgess and Mark Bunyad of the Bank of the West.

The Bank of the West was founded in California in 1874 and since has grown to serve clients across the United States. They have been providing Wealth Management services since 1963. A variety of services are offered to help manage wealth:

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1. Take advantage of the tax savings offered by your retirement accounts.
2. Pay off high-interest, nondeductible debt.
3. Create an emergency fund.

### March 17: LaMarion D. Spence - Sonoma County Juice Co.

Our St. Patrick's Day speaker was LaMarion Spence Founder & CEO of Sonoma County Juice Co. "SCJC", is a locally owned and locally sourced cold-pressed juice company. Only sustainable produce from Sonoma County area farms such as Front Porch Farm and Preston Farm are used in order to create healthy



high nutrient and delicious juices.

Currently, juices are being sold exclusively through the Bean Affair Coffee Shop. SCJC's retail model is built to distribute juices through a number of local, hand selected retailers and are currently waiting on licensing requirements to allow multi-retail distribution. Not to fear! Juices are produced daily at the production facility at the Bean Affair and all juices, nut milks and cleanses will be available!

### March 17: Key Club Bake Sale

Stephanie Hipolito, the only girl in this year's Key Club, attended the March 17 meeting with baked goods created by Key Clubbers for the annual bake sale. Since this year's Key Club membership is mostly male, the sale was smaller than usual with only five items. Nevertheless auctioneer Denny Stead helped Stephanie raise about \$250 for the Key Club.

### March 24: Evening meeting – Marie Gannister-Windsor Culinary Arts Program

Marie Gannister and Pamela Van Halsema of the Windsor High School Vineyard Academy described the high school culinary arts program. In the Windsor school program, six juniors work with local chefs in learning about all aspects of culinary arts and receive hands-on experience in creating special dishes.

This year, the group is working with Louis Maldonado of the H2 Hotel Spoonbar in the creation of special appetizers for the Wine Country Chefs of Tomorrow competition. Chefs of Tomorrow is a benefit for the ten Sonoma County High School Culinary Arts Programs. Sponsored by the Sonoma County Lodging Association, the benefit will be held on April 22 at the Vintners Inn. Participating schools are Casa Grande, Ceres Project, Cloverdale, El Molino, Healdsburg, Maria Carrillo, Piner, Sonoma Valley, Tips 2 Succeed and Windsor Vineyard Academy. Windsor groups have won several judge's awards since 2009.



### March 31: Healdsburg Prune Packers

Joey Gomes, GM and Manager for the Healdsburg Prune Packers was our March 31 speaker. Joey is shown below with his brother Jonny at Tampa's minor league Camp in Florida in 2003. Joey spent 10 years in professional baseball after graduating from Casa Grande High in Petaluma and playing baseball at Santa Clara University. Jonny is currently playing for the Atlanta

Braves and was a World Series Champ in 2013 with the Boston Red Sox.



Joey and his brother developed a love of baseball at an early age and he spoke about their development into seasoned players. He also described his coaching philosophy and his very positive approach to inspiring young players.

### Pig Roast at Everett Ridge

A staff of 12 club members led by Denny Stead prepared a pig roast for 20 people at Everett Ridge Winery on March 28.



Chase Conley spent most of Saturday roasting the pig

### One Interclub Visit Completed in March

Jan and Dan Gianni and Jerry and Loretta strong attended the DCM in Petaluma on March 7.

The remaining interclubs include Willits, Ukiah, Clear Lake, Ft. Bragg and Sonoma.



Some of the many pancake breakfast crews



**Rich Thomas got up before breakfast to start the coffee**



**A Sausage and eggs crew  
Rick Norman, Dan Gianni & Marty Silge**



**A Serving crew  
Dick Bugarske, Guy French & Bob Santucci**



**An Eating crew**



**A Counting crew - Neal Bertrand counts the money while Dee Whitehall keeps him honest**



**A cleanup crew of one – Don Marshall**

**Jerry Strong leads the singing of When Irish Eyes are Smiling at the St. Patrick's Day meeting**



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

Liz Bippart happy for her son's 31<sup>st</sup> birthday and happy for daughter's 27<sup>th</sup>.

Dan Gianni happy to have had free checking from Bank of the West for 45 years.

Dee Whitehall happy her granddaughter is doing well after receiving a new heart.

Beverlee Laird happy that Rick Wood is working on their deck.

Loretta Strong happy that Susan Sheehy is the best organized person to lead the pancake breakfast.

Veronica Velez happy that the Joe Engler memorial BBQ at Salvation Army is two bricks from completion.

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