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#### **Mid-Year Conference**

April 2019

On Saturday, March 2, 2019 about 20 members of our club joined Kiwanians from throughout the Cal-Nev-Ha District at the Flamingo Conference Resort and Spa in Santa Rosa for the annual Mid-Year Conference North. The conference was a one-day educational opportunity to learn how to better the Kiwanis experience. The conference was held for the first time in Santa Rosa and was hosted by local Kiwanis Clubs. Event Chairman Rich Fuller of the Windsor club and a team of many volunteers from our local clubs did an outstanding job of attending to all the details to make it a very enjoyable day for everyone. Over 400 Kiwanians attend.



#### Event Chairman Rick Fuller Welcomes the Crowd



#### **Enjoying the Inter-club Luncheon**

Interesting and informative seminars were held throughout the day and included Communications and Social Media, Service Leadership Programs, Kiwanis Children's Fund, Youth protection Guidelines, Club Service Projects and Fundraising, and Kiwanis Insurance and Risk Management.

# Calendar Meeting Dates:

**Apr.2**: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Ariel Kelley -Healdsburg Housing Taskforce.

**Apr. 9**: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Mark McMullen - Healdsburg's Arts and Cultural Future.

**Apr. 16:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Sher and John Christian, Voice Artists.

**Apr 18:** Board of Directors meeting, 5:30 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

**Apr. 23:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Gisela Zebroski- Novelist.

**Apr. 30**: Evening Meeting – at the Camelia Inn.

#### **Other April Dates**

**Apr. 14:** Healdsburg Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast.

#### Save the Date

May 23-25: FFA Fair.

Jun. 16: Fitch Mountain Foot Race.

**Jun 27-30**: Kiwanis International Convention, Walt Disney World Resort, Florida.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex except the fourth Tuesday of the month is an evening meeting, 6:30 PM Social, 7:00 PM Meeting.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Loretta Strong, Co-President at 431-8052 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314.

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#### **Happy Birthday**

Martin Silge – April 14 Gary Plass – April 16 Paulene Rogers – April 20 Dale Candelaria April 22 Guy French – April 24 **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 Guy French: 4-12-05 Dennis Stead: 4-13-99 Roger Dormire: 4-16-02 Brian Wells: 4-20-10 Richard Yates: 4-20-10

# The President's Message

Greetings dear club members,

Here comes your third President for this year! I look forward to a busy quarter with all of you, since this portion of the split by the four past presidents will include the Pancake Breakfast, the Governor's Visit, the FFA Parade and Fair and the Fitch Mountain Footrace.

A very fun and delicious lunch event took place last weekend at Lt. Governor, Pennylee Christiansen's latest DCM (District Council Meeting) held at the fairgrounds in Petaluma and hosted by the Petaluma Kiwanis Club. For those of you never having attended this particular and favorite DCM, the club goes "all out" beginning with Mimosas served during the morning meeting and follows up with their famous Shuck and Cluck (oyster and BBQ chicken lunch). Additionally, the club has a very impressive and extensive raffle, along with live auction items. This year, the proceeds will go to the Kiwanis Family House in Sacramento. A good time was had by all and our club completed an Interclub meeting with (6) Healdsburg members attending.

Terry Kemp, as President Elect is in charge of this year's Pancake Breakfast. Member tickets have been distributed to all members and working position sign-up sheets are being addressed at both daytime and evening meetings. Please help out by signing up for at least one shift on the morning of Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. See you all there!

Jan



Division 32 Kiwanians at the Petaluma DCM

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the March 2019 Board meeting:

#### Grants/Donations/Requests

- Scout Troop 21 \$5,500. The troop requested \$3,500 for Clary Hall rent plus \$2,500 for BSA registration.
- Healdsburg Center for the Arts \$1,000 for the Kid Zone at the Art Festival in the Plaza on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- HEF \$2,000 for K-5 school field trips.
- Boys & Girls Club will be fundraising at the Fiesta Night event. We will ask what they specifically need so that our gift would go directly to the Healdsburg coffers. The request was tabled.

#### Money Matters

- Admin Fund: Current balance is \$1,676 with \$10,000 in the Reserve account. Vern Losh will contribute his President's Fund to the corpus of the Legacy Fund. Loretta and Dick will contribute their President's Funds to bolster the Admin Fund.
- Project Fund: Available funds are just over \$4,000. Our four-year reserve (at \$15,000 per year) is \$60,000 with \$5,000 in the Endowment reserve.

#### President's Report

- HEF relationship Terry Kemp would like to get involved as a Kiwanis Club member liaison.
- The Child Development Council of the Health Care Foundation would also like members to participate.
- St. Patrick's Day follow-up Our sponsorship should be little or no cost going forward. The City of Healdsburg gets all the permits. Grant monies are available that will also help pay expenses.
- Healdsburg Tribune Dick Bugarske and Barbara Erickson met recently with the Tribune

to discuss increasing our local exposure and integrating with their social media.

#### <u>Membership</u>

- Chase Conley and Jack Brandt's request to change to Associate membership was approved.
- Anne Hilow request for approximately 6 months of LOA was approved.

#### Committee Reports

- Fitch Mtn. Footrace is now in the marketing phase. With 100 days to go, the major ops are in place. We have received a \$1,500 grant from HTID and will be targeted for Facebook Ads.
- Scholarships the motion to give up to \$1,000 from Project Fund to "round upward" the available Scholarship Endowment proceeds this year was approved.

#### Old Business

• The Future Planning Committee has many good ideas. As Anna was not present, specifics will be presented at the next board meeting.

# Maintenance and repairs planned for food trailer

Our food trailer needs some work and the Board has allocated up to \$2,500 for the project. By hiring a contractor and our members helping him, we can save the trailer and save \$10,000 - \$15,000 in the process. Kiwanian Jim Luchessi has agreed to be our contractor.

# **Meeting Programs**

**Mar. 5**: Jen Lee - Stolen! What to do When Identity Theft Happens to You!

Jen Lee is a debt and credit attorney and owner of Jen Lee Law, a law firm with offices in San Francisco, San Ramon, and Tracy. She is a leading expert on debt, credit, and financial stress, having been featured in Consumer Affairs, US News & World Report, and other national publications.

In a very informative presentation, Jen provided excellent advice on how to protect yourself from identity theft and what to do if your identity is stolen. Protect yourself:

- Protect your mailbox.
- Be careful what ends up in the trash.
- Protect your information on junk mail.
- Invest in a safe or firebox.
- Use varying passwords online.
- Utilize password managers to keep your passwords complex and safe.

There is no 100% guarantee so here are steps to take if your identity is stolen:

- 1. Immediately report any suspicious credit card activity or identity theft.
- 2. Create a file to stay organized.
- 3. Price security freezes on Experian, Equifax, and TransUnion.
- 4. File identity theft report online with the FTC: www.identitheft.gov
- 5. File a police report at your local police department.
- 6. Keep copies of your identity theft report and police report in a safe place.
- 7. Obtain a copy of your credit report from all three agencies.
- 8. Review your credit report for fraudulent accounts, recent credit inquiries, addresses, and dispute if necessary.

Mar 12: Donna O'Brien - Volunteer Coordinator City of Healdsburg.

The City of Healdsburg volunteer program is a multifaceted program that captures the generous spirit of Healdsburg. It provides volunteers an opportunity to give back to their community in many ways, including a volunteer-driver program for seniors, a home-maintenance program, sharedhousing opportunities in partnership with SHARE Sonoma County, and supporting the many existing volunteer opportunities within the community. Volunteer programs include:

- Transportation Option -Volunteer Driver Program.
- Housing Options SHARE Healdsburg, Inhome maintenance.
- Special Event Assistance.

The Volunteer Driving Program will provide free rides to those age 60 and over. Rides can be scheduled in advance for shopping, medical and social visits. City owned GPS tracked vehicles are provided.

Volunteer programming is included in the City's biennial operating budget. Funds are provided by the Transient Occupancy Tax and the City will receive \$25,000 per year in CalTrans funding for F.Y. 2018-2020.

#### Mar 19: Warm Springs 4-H.

Four local Jr. High and High School students from the Warm Springs 4-H visited our club on March 19 and talked about their experiences in 4-H. Introducing them was 4H leader Dana Grande.

- Ellie Kaye is the president of the Warm Springs 4H. She explained her many duties as president and talked about raising pigs.
- Katy Conrad is the vice president. She raises rabbits.
- Allie Grande is the treasurer. She is involved in the swine, dog, rabbit project.
- Tatum Kiff is recreation leader and works with swine and dogs.

Our Club has helped local 4-H Clubs and their members going back to the early 1930's.



Poster advertising the 58<sup>th</sup> annual Chicken Q, a major fund raiser for the Sonoma County 4H

Dana Grande wears two hats. She is also the Healdsburg Education Foundation (HEF) Board

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President. She took a few minutes to discuss possibilities of Healdsburg Kiwanis and HEF finding ways to work more closely together.

HEF was founded in 1985 to raise funds for our Healdsburg pre-K-12 public schools. HEF's mission is to bring our public schools and community together to promote and invest in programs and initiatives that have the greatest impact on student learning, and that help prepare our students for college, career, and citizenship.

#### http://www.healdsburgeducationfoundation.com

Dana's suggestions for working together included Kiwanis members joining HEF committees or becoming Board members.

Mar 26. – Chris Nelle - SCORE-Fostering Small Business..

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As a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), SCORE has helped more than 11 million entrepreneurs through mentoring, workshops and educational resources since 1964.

#### www.score.org

## Interclubs

**Saturday, March 23 - DCM Petaluma Kiwanis** "Shuck and Cluck" Chicken and Oyster Lunch. Proceeds benefit Kiwanis Family House.



Attending from Healdsburg: Dan and Jan Gianni, Jerry and Loretta Strong, Terry Kemp and camera-shy Dana Burwell



# Kiwanians attend "Dinner is Served" at Barndiva

A fundraiser for the Santa Rosa Symphony League



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

Loretta Strong sad to miss the conference, but happy to have been in Puerta Vallarta instead.

Susan Sheehy happy to observe her late father Robert Youngs 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 6.

Susan again happy to be a world traveler. Plans for travel to Hawaii, then Frankfort to Budapest

Anna Grant happy to celebrate grandmother's 97<sup>th</sup>. Two weeks later sad that she passed away.

Liz Bippart happy to visit the Gallopades and survive swimming with the sharks.

Guy French happy to celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Cindi Brown happy to have attended her son's wedding in Baja.

Dick Bugarske happy to celebrate 47<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

#### Postcards

Susan Sheehy – Costa Rica, later, Hawaii.

Judy Everett –Florida cities for spring training.

Vern Loch – digital from spring training.

Denny Stead – African safari.

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#### Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Co-Sponsors St. Patrick's Day Celebration with the City of Healdsburg

On very short notice our club was asked to help cosponsor the events of the day and with activities both with and for youth (dancers, Parks and Recreation activities, a Fun Run) we felt it was another great opportunity to bring our community together and support youth activities, so our board approved our participation a couple weeks



ago. We hope to be able to co-sponsor in the future. One of the cool aspects of this is that over our 96-year history here in Healdsburg, we have sponsored many similar events and activities, so we feel we are continuing that legacy. – Dick Bugarske, *Healdsburg Tribune* 3/14/2018.

There was no cost to the club this first year and the partnership will probably lend full financial support in years to come from the HTID funds