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Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival

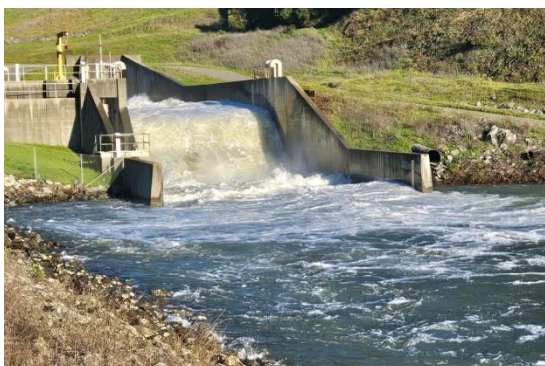


The morning shift ready to serve

The 15th annual Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival happened at the grounds of the Milt Brandt Visitor Center on Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024. The festival is sponsored by the Friends of Lake Sonoma and proceeds support education programs which bring local school children for an educational tour of the visitor's center and fish hatchery.

The weather cooperated with a nearly perfect day for February, sunny and warm after recent major atmospheric rivers. The crowd of 5,000-6,000 people enjoyed a full day of fun and festivities. Many of the crowd were hungry and visited our food booth as we prepared and served jumbo hot-dogs, Polish sausage, chili, mac and cheese, and chips, as well as soda and water. Sales were brisk. We sold out of hot dogs and discovered a tasty new menu item, Mac and Cheese, hailed by all.

Denny Stead led a motley crew working two shifts who worked very hard to keep up with the line of customers during the rush.



We took in about \$2,000. Less expenses, the net taken to the bank was \$1,036.

A great year for the fish!

Regular Tuesday meetings at the Villa.

Meeting Dates:

Mar 5: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Harry Jackson – A Journey Through the Generations - Family Stories.

Mar 12: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Tim Madura, American Legion - Boys and Girls State.

Mar 19: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Celebrating 99th Anniversary of Key Club (Originated in Sacramento, CA in 1925)

Mar 21: Board Meeting, Round Table Pizza.

Mar 26: Evening Meeting at 6 pm Monthly social. **TBD.**

Other March Dates

Mar 17: St. Patrick's Day. celebration in the Plaza.

Mar 24: Pancake Breakfast.

Save the Date

May 23-25: Annual FFA Twilight Parade and Fair.

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 Co-President Richard Bugarske (707-540-1237) or Secretary Liz Bippart (707-227-4314).

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



Dick & Brian ready to sell



Anna stirs up the chili



Lockie tends the dogs



Cindi also stirs things up



Jan in charge of mac & cheese



Susan helps a customer



The rush hour crowd

Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Officers 2023-2024

Co-Presidents – Loretta Strong (Q1)
Richard Bugarske (Q2),
Susan Sheehy (Q3),
(Q4 open)

President Elect - Open

Secretary – Liz Bippart

Admin. Treasurer- Richard Bugarske

Project Treasurer - Ron Doble

Past President – Dennis Stead

Board of Directors

One Year Term

Barbara Erickson Susan Sheehy

Joanne Kolinski Jan Gianni

Brian Wells

Two Year Term

Debby Dormire

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

Happy Birthday

Lockie Gillies – March 12

Cody Thompson – March 20

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Jack Brandt -3-6-79

Harry Jackson - 3-16-04

Patti Robarts - 3-16-10

Cynthia Brown - 3-23-10

Judith Everett - 3-23-10

Lucy Lewand - 3-23-10

Susan Sheehy - 3-23-10

Deborah Doble - 3-27-12

Kathy Burgess – 3-31-15

The President's Message

Hello fellow Healdsburg Kiwanians,

I'm finishing up my 4th go-round as President (3-month stint this time) and I wanted to continue to expand upon the future of our Club and my belief that we should be leaning more into Partnerships. So, I went to my AI friend and asked for some insight. See what ChatGPT had to say below.

Next month, Susan Sheehy will be at the helm through June, and we are still looking for our July, August and September President as well as our President for next year. Please know that whoever steps forward to lead us will have complete support from our Club. Being our President is fun, gratifying, valuable and a team effort for sure. My hope is that some of our members will want to consider next year and even beyond to lead us. We can happily look at co-presidents as well.

Thanks to all, Dick Bugarske

Here is what ChatGPT had to say:

Partnerships can be immensely valuable for non-profit organizations for several reasons:

1. **Resource Sharing:** Non-profits often operate with limited resources. Partnerships allow them to pool resources with other organizations, whether it's funding, staff expertise, volunteers, or access to facilities and equipment. This can significantly amplify their impact without necessarily increasing their own costs.
2. **Expanded Reach:** Collaborating with other organizations can help non-profits reach new audiences and communities they might not have been able to access on their own. Partnerships can open doors to new networks, stakeholders, and supporters, thereby increasing their visibility and influence.
3. **Expertise and Knowledge Exchange:** Partnering with other organizations allows non-profits to tap into the expertise, knowledge, and experience of their partners. This can be particularly valuable for smaller organizations that may lack certain skills or resources. Collaborating with partners can also foster learning and innovation within the non-profit sector.
4. **Programmatic Synergy:** Partnerships enable non-profits to complement their strengths and weaknesses with those of their partners. By working together, organizations can develop more comprehensive and effective programs or services that address complex social issues from multiple angles.
5. **Advocacy and Influence:** Collective action through partnerships can amplify the voices of non-profits in advocacy efforts. By banding together, organizations can advocate for policy changes, raise awareness about important issues, and mobilize support more effectively than they could individually.

Continued.



ChatGPT (continued)

- 6. **Risk Reduction:** Partnerships can help non-profits spread risks associated with program implementation, funding uncertainties, or external challenges. Diversifying sources of support and sharing responsibilities with partners can make organizations more resilient in the face of adversity.
- 7. **Enhanced Credibility:** Collaborating with reputable partners can enhance the credibility and legitimacy of non-profit organizations. Partnerships with well-established entities can signal to stakeholders, including donors and beneficiaries, that the organization is trustworthy and capable of delivering on its mission.

Overall, partnerships are essential for non-profits to maximize their impact, sustainability, and effectiveness in addressing social challenges. Building and nurturing strategic collaborations with like-minded organizations can be a cornerstone of success in the non-profit sector.

Good job ChatGPT!

Memorial Scholarship Board of Directors

The Memorial Scholarship Board of Directors met recently and nominated a slate of officers (listed below) for the 2024-25 Board. An election will be held at the next meeting.

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| Dan Maraviglia | John (Jack) Brandt |
| Dennis Stead | Guy French |
| Ron Doble | Richard Yates |
| Dan Gianni | |

The total fund assets as of February 23, 2024, are:

Capital Group Funds	\$473,830
Bond Fund	<u>\$146,717</u>
Total	\$620,547

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Jan Gianni

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the February 2024 Board meeting:

Administration Management

Financials

- The Administrative Treasurer’s Report was approved. Total Administrative fund assets are

\$33,594 of which \$10,000 reserved fund. Net income/expense was (\$1909).

Admin Business and Service

- The approval of Joanne Kolinski taking a 3 month leave from the Board was tabled.
- A brief discussion of “Peering into the Future of our Club” was held.
- The Steelhead Festival netted \$1,036. More discussion is scheduled to follow in our upcoming next lunch meeting.

Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation

Grants/Donations/Requests

- Several generic club requests from local non-profits were reviewed, however all were tabled pending further information.

Financials

- The Foundation Financial Report was approved. Total Foundation assets are **\$90,625** allocate as below:

Permanently Restricted

Children's Fund Endowment	\$42,157	
Total Permanently Restricted		\$42,157

Temporarily Restricted

One Year Reserve, 15k per year	\$15,000	
Scholarship Fund	\$6,797	
Jordan Strong Memorial	\$5,070	
Total Temporary Restricted		\$26,867

Unrestricted Funds Available		\$21,601
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Total Assets		\$90,625
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Meetings

Feb 6: Loretta Strong, Tales from the Burg, early 1960's.

Loretta is writing a book to be entitled “Tales from the Berg”, a collection of short stories about life in Healdsburg in the 1960’s. She treated us with two vignettes from her youth growing up in Healdsburg including a masterful story about the great flood of 1964. Her book will include these, and more stories, and we can't wait for her to publish.



Loretta with her family in 1962

Feb 13: Kaley Efram (Key Club Pres.) HHS Model UN Club & Valentine's Day Sweet's Auction

Our speaker was our Key Club President, Kaley Efram, who talked about the Model UN Club at the High School.



The Berkeley Model United Nations (BMUN) is a student run organization at UC Berkeley dedicated to continuing its seven decades of excellence as the world's premier, and very first, United Nations simulation. Over 2,000 high school students from all over the world come to Berkeley to participate in BMUN every year. Entering its 72nd session, BMUN's mission is to spread awareness of international issues and the spirit of diplomacy through UN simulations. We also aim to create an educational experience for high school students to help them realize their potential in areas such as public speaking and policy debate. We do this by serving as chairs on a diverse group of committees in which we help to facilitate delegate education through substantive diplomatic debate. <https://www.bmun.org/>

Kaley is the President of that Club as well. The HHS Model UN Club will be representing Afghanistan at UC Berkeley on March 3-10. Kayley will be attending for the third time. Last year she represented Cuba in the debates. She described the challenges of debating from the point of view of the country's politics and culture so different from ours.

Four other Key Club members joined Kayley to sell Valentine's Day treats for outrageous prices that our members love to pay. Auctioneer Denny Stead brow beat bidders into paying ridiculous prices for the 8 items, raising a total of \$990. Hannah Sellards told her mom that she couldn't believe that she sold her plate of cookies for \$100!



Feb 20: Dick Bugarske, Healdsburg Kiwanis Futures (Let's Peer Into Our Futures as a Club)

Dick presented some excellent thoughts regarding the future of our club that stimulated a good conversation and sharing of ideas.

Peering into the Second Century of Healdsburg Kiwanis

You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore. -

Christopher Columbus

Healdsburg Kiwanis

We build

We are barn raisers

Let's build our Club by embracing the natural partners we have and trust we all will thrive.

We already are partnering with the American Legion and Healdsburg High School on the Hall of Fame. We are partnering with the City and local businesses to create a fun community event on St. Patrick's Day; and we are partnering with 4-H, Scouts and Key Club during Pancake Breakfast.

We have begun our next journey, and as we work smarter and focus on creating partnerships, financial support will follow.

Our Club is blessed with a Scholarship Fund that was built by those who came before us, and it continues to provide significant scholarship support for our local graduates now and into the future.

We continue to create and support many events and activities throughout the year that bring in Admin & Foundation funds. But as our Club changes with age and the number of members we have ebbs and flows, we should embrace and reimaging how we plan and manage each event and activity.

Feb 27: Monthly social, Lucy Lewand - Scotland



Scotland, the Land of Legends!

Lucy and her husband Archy had just returned from a month-long trip to Scotland, and we headed off to Scotland with her to relive the experience. Their journey had two themes: music and food. They attended 12 consorts during their stay in Glasgow and then headed off to tour Archy's homeland countryside.

Lucy's presentation included many photographs of the scenery and architecture taken during their tour. Every third slide was of appetizing food that they enjoyed.



Healdsburg High School Athletic Hall of Fame, 11th Class

On Saturday afternoon February 25 our Club partnered with Healdsburg High School and the Healdsburg American Legion Post 111 and we held our Hall of Fame Ceremony. Over 100 folks filled the Villa Chanticleer Annex as we celebrated 5 outstanding athletes and their families. The honorees are:



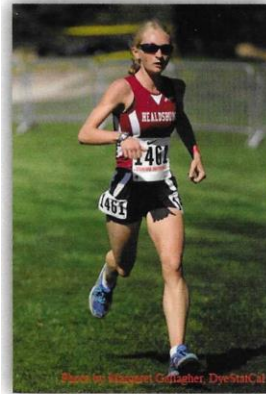
Suzanne Charles-Engelke ('89)
Introduced by Karen Tappin

John Suazo (95)
Introduced by Jim Noonan

Anne Seppi (99)
Introduced by Tom Kirkpatrick

Matt Crippes ('03)
Introduced by Wayne Rogers

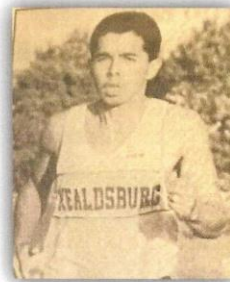
Sarah Sumpter ('08)
Introduced by Carlos Quiroga
Awarded Posthumously



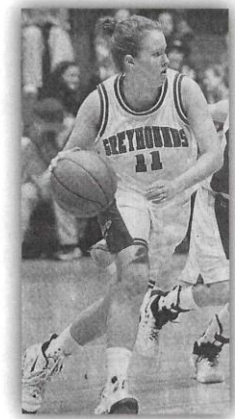
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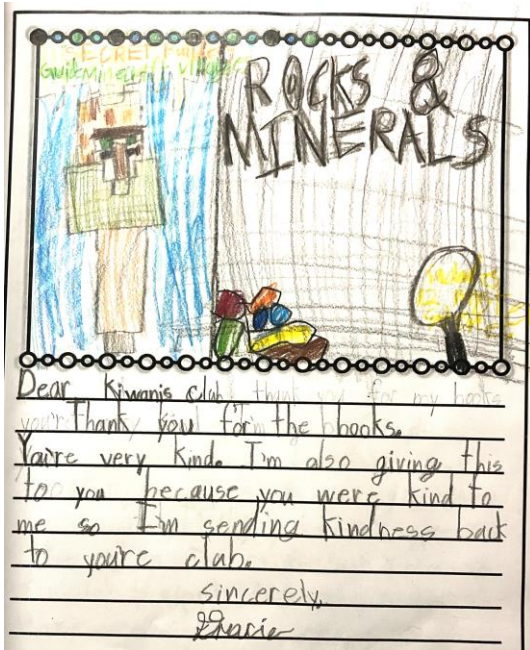


Matt Crippes

Congratulations
Class #11

Gift Books thank you notes

Here is one of many thank you letters from Healdsburg Elementary School (Fitch Mountain Campus) 3rd graders thanking us for our gift of books.



Key Club Happenings

A mighty 5 packed oranges and sweet potatoes at the Food Bank on Saturday February 3. Key Clubber, Ava Woske and her 8th grade brother packed oranges while Eric Frost, Claudia and Dick worked at the sweet potato table.

The Sweet potato process was to dump out a 40-pound box of sweet potatoes, pack 3-5 potatoes into 3-pound bags, put 10 bags back into the boxes with the extra potatoes going into a separate bin. Higher math! In many societies, the sweet potato is revered as a symbol of abundance, fertility, and prosperity. Our potatoes were happily covered with fertile soil! RB.



Several Key Clubbers have sign up to volunteer for St. Patrick's Day celebration and to help at the Pancake Breakfast. Some students will do face painting and don the Easter Bunny costume.

\$Happy/Sad\$\$ and other stories

Jerry Strong on the way to Shastina, heavy rain all the way, 7 1/2 hours, Fair weather while there, Back home, heavy rain all the way, 7 1/2 hours. Went to visit grandchildren, same story.

Debby Dormire happy that her granddaughter Taylor, a volleyball star at Windsor High School, has signed her letter of intent to play volleyball for Lewis and Clark State College in Idaho,

Judy Everett happy to finally put away her Santa collection for another year, all 1900+ of them.

Cindi Brown happy to be traveling to Mexico to visit son, wife, and granddaughter.

Susan Sheehy happy to discover an unknown cousin living nearby on Ancestry.

Denny Stead sad that Joanne has moved to Florida to care for her sister.

Rowdy Yates happy for a week in Mendicino to celebrate Liz's birthday.

Andy Smith happy to be retired. Will be able to help out more.

Birthdays



Liz Bippart asked for a Happy Birthday song from everyone

(one ending in 0, 40?)

Bingo Card ID 022

One Liners

Why don't sharks eat clowns? Because they taste funny.	I have kleptomania but I'm taking something for it.	When I was younger I felt like a man trapped inside a woman's body. Then I was born	The main reason Santa is so jolly is because he knows where all the bad girls live	My opinions may have changed, but not the fact that I am right
A cheese factory exploded in France. Da brie was everywhere.	Don't you hate it when someone answers their own questions? I do.	What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo? One's pretty heavy and the other's a little lighter.	I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you	I like Jesus but he loves me, so it's awkward
I tried to catch fog yesterday. Mist.	I used to run a dating service for chickens, but I was struggling to make hens meet.	As a kid I was made to walk the plank. We couldn't afford a dog	Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back	I couldn't figure out why the baseball kept getting larger. Then it hit me.
What do you call Santa's helpers? Subordinate Clauses.	What do you call a boomerang that won't come back? A stick.	I'm a devout athiest, I don't go to church every Sunday	I was going to tell you a joke about boxing but I forgot the punch line.	If we shouldn't eat at night, why do they put a light in the fridge?
I was very naive sexually. My first boyfriend asked me to do missionary and I headed off to Africa for six months	I was addicted to the hokey pokey, but then I turned myself around.	I had a neck brace fitted years ago and I've never looked back since.	Better to remain silent and be thought a fool, than to speak and remove all doubt	I like to hold hands at the movies, which always seems to startle strangers.

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