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Calendar

57th Annual Pancake Breakfast



View of the Crowd Enjoying the Pancake Breakfast

The 57th annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast was held on Palm Sunday, March 24 at the Villa Chanticleer. An estimated 750 to 800 people enjoyed all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice and coffee.

This year's event chair was Bob Santucci who was assisted by his committee members and a crew of many mixers, cooks and servers. 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 83 local businesses and other groups or individuals. The club very much appreciates this enthusiastic public support.

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.



Pancakes Ready to Serve

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Apr. 2: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Healdsburg Kiwanis Board – Club Financial Considerations.

Apr. 9: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Linda Collister, Healdsburg Fire Marshall

Apr. 16: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Dan Germain – Kiwanis Family House

Apr. 18: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. Location to be determined

Apr.23: Evening Meeting 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex. Xerxes Whitney – Making the Most of Your Challenges

Apr. 30: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Karen Kleist, Program Site Mgr., Council on Aging – Healdsburg Senior Social Club.

Future Dates:

Fitch Mountain Foot Race – June 2
Judy Everett's Tapas Party June 15

Brandt's Beach BBQ – Aug. 26

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, 7:00PM Meeting.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Loretta Strong, President at 433-8033 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8055

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Happy Birthday

Martin Silge – April 14
Gary Plass – April 16
Mark Zimmerman – April 21
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
Mark Zimmerman: 4-5-11
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
Denise Paup: 4-14-09
Chris Metrulas: 4-15-03
Roger Dormire: 4-16-02
Al Peterson: 4-19-88
Phil Rice: 4-19-88, (11-27-79)
David Scharer: 4-20-10
Brian Wells: 4-20-10
Richard Yates: 4-20-10

The President's Message:

Dear Kiwanians:

The Pancake Breakfast is behind us and April 1st is upon us! Although I don't have any figures at this point, it seems like we had a very good turn-out and folks seemed pleased. The room was especially gorgeous this year with all our 90th birthday balloons and of course the flowers which sold like "hotcakes"!! A special thanks to Hugo and Barbara Bauer and Jerry Strong who every year do a wonderful job decorating the room at the Villa Chanticleer. And of course a big thanks to Bob Santucci for taking the helm at this year's breakfast and to Dick Bugarske for chairing the advertising effort. Thanks also to all of you who sold your \$70 worth of tickets and even more! This year's winner is Ron Puccioni who sold \$196 worth of tickets!! Kudos to Ron.

Last night's evening meeting was a big success! Rollie Atkinson, editor of the Healdsburg Tribune, was there at my request to do the photo shoots for the upcoming Membership Campaign Ad. 12 of our 14 female members were photographed on the steps of the Annex, plus the Executive Committee and the Scharer Men. We are emphasizing that Kiwanis is an integrated club with good leadership and proud of the enduring legacy of our multi-generational memberships. We will run the ad during the month of April and host two open houses, one at noon and the other in the evening. So please everyone plan on inviting at least one friend, relative or neighbor that you believe would make a good Kiwanian. We are the leaders, mentors and role models for the children and youth of our community.

Finally, if you missed Jerry's presentation on the Sip-Cycle it's not too late! Members think we are looking at a new patented application for the iPhone! We'll see.

Fondly,
Loretta Strong



Patti Roberts and President Loretta Strong at Pancake Breakfast with Healdsburg Kiwanis 90th Birthday Cake and Project Eliminate Promotion

As of the end of March total Project Eliminate collections were approximately \$1658.

One Grant Request Approved by the Board and Two Tabled (Provided by Pete Peterson)

Board of Directors approved the following grant requests at the March 21st Board Meeting:

- Healdsburg Little League - \$4,000 Grant Request for Electronic Scoreboard - \$1,000 was approved as a Matching Grant.

The following grant requests were tabled pending receipt of further information:

- A Healdsburg Regional Library - Grant Request of \$2,500 for the Children's Library Section.
- A Boy Scout Troop 21 Grant Request of \$3,500 for Equipment, Camperships, Etc.

In other action \$15,000 was approved for Healdsburg High School Scholarships, \$10,000 to be provided from Club funds and \$5,000 from Scholarship Funds. All will be payable in Sept/Oct 2013.

Loretta Strong made a Distinguished Service Award presentation to our Treasurer, Pete Peterson for his tireless and countless hours of service.

The Board discussed how to deal with delinquent dues and also questioned if \$17K is too much to keep in the Administrative Fund. Should dues be reduced, or should some of the funds be transferred to the Project Fund?

The Financial Review Committee report returned to the Board found the books were all in good order and all accounting was in perfect shape. The committee did recommend that the board consider a program such as Quick Books to ease the bookkeeping process.

March Speakers

Boy Scout Troup 21



Doug Price, Scout Master, Scouts Oliver Evans and Drew Esquivel, Martin Dreiling, Assistant Scout Master

Doug Price, Boy Scout Troop 21 Scout Master introduced two soon to be Eagle Scouts during the March 5 meeting. Oliver Evans and Drew Esquivel spoke about their experiences in scouting and described the many troop activities and projects. Activities are designed to promote learning of various skills, develop leadership abilities and physical fitness. Some of the many fun activities are backpacking, mountain biking, river rafting, snow shoeing/cross country skiing, and summer camp.

The troop participates in a number of community service activities including the Fitch Mountain Foot Race, the Foss Creek and Russian River Cleanups, the FFA Parade and a flag retirement ceremony.

Glen Schaezlein CASA Little House Program at HHS.

Glen Schaezlein is the Healdsburg High School CASA (Construction and Sustainability Academy) program teacher. He spoke at the March 12 meeting about his teaching approach and the student's work on the Tiny House project. The 89 square foot tiny house is being constructed on a flat bed trailer and contains all of the features of a real house including kitchen, bathroom and sleeping area. The house will be completed in time for appearance in the Future Farmer's parade and will also appear at the Sonoma County Fair after which it will be sold.



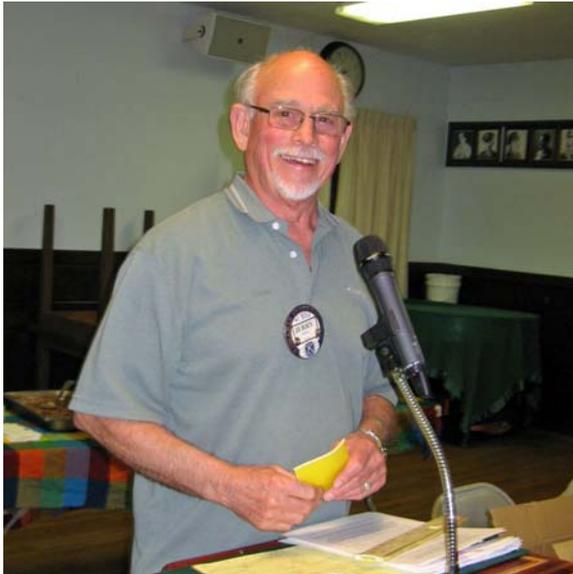
Scott Weidemier – HHS Wrestling Coach



Scott Weidemier Receives Check for Wrestling Team from President Loretta Strong

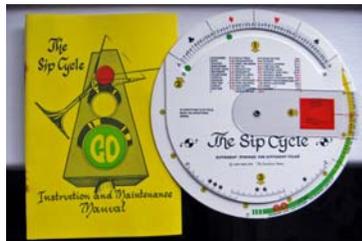
A matching \$2,500 grant was awarded to the Healdsburg High School Wrestling Program toward the purchase a 42' x 42' wrestling mat. The total cost is about \$9,000 and the Program will raise the remainder through other fund raising efforts.

Jerry Strong, Inventor of the Sip-Cycle



Many club members were unaware that we have a famous inventor in our midst. Jerry Strong spoke at the March 26 evening meeting about his revolutionary invention, the Sip-Cycle. The device was developed by Jerry and two of his teaching colleagues in the 1970's in an attempt to supplement their income.

As described in the owner's manual: "The principal use of the SIP-CYCLE is as a personal, individualized guide to the accurate consumption of alcoholic beverages. We recognize that all drinkers are not alike. Now there is a "scientific" way to determine if three martinis leaves one drinker feeling a rosy glow, while the same three may cause the person on the next stool to begin conversing with the spirit of his long deceased coon hound."



Operation of the Sip-Cycle consists of:

1. Identify your drink and locate its symbol
2. Align its symbol on the A scale with the number of drinks you have had or plan to have on the B Scale
3. Find the point on the C scale that indicates your drinking tolerance and read on the D scale your current state of functional equilibrium or the state you will be in when you have reached your quota



Patrick Thompson Receives Check from Joe Engler

Patrick Thompson, of the Salvation Army ARC, a guest at the March 5 meeting accepted a check for \$2501 from Joe Engler. The grant, to be used for pool table and ping pong table replacements, was approved by the club Board of Directors its February meeting.

Richard Iverson to Receive Distinguished Service Award



Rich Receives a Bottle of Wine in a Preview of the Distinguished Service Award

In recognition of his many services to the club and to the community, Richard Iverson has been nominated to receive the Distinguished Service Award at the April 7 governor's dinner. Rich has been a member of the Healdsburg club since 1986. Among many other activities, he has chaired the Presents Project and has kept the club roster up to date for a number of years.



Pancakes on the Griddle



Neal Flips Em



Hunt Cooks the Sausage



Roger Stirs the Eggs



Dan and Steve Mix the Batter



Jim Cleans up

A Special Birthday for Carl Elze



Carl presented a check for \$88 to the club in honor of his 88th birthday. Since he sings bass, he requested that all the basses sing to him.

Happy/Sad

Judy Everett sad that she ran out of lotto tickets and had to postpone the jack pot drawing for a week.

Kurt Hahn happy to be retiring from the hospital Board after 15 years of service.

Steve Jones sad to miss the pancake breakfast, but happy to be attending a concert in San Diego where his 7 year old granddaughter is first violin.

Carl Elze happy to announce birth of his fourth great grandchild.

Sean Thomas happy to be opening a new restaurant in Hopland.

Treasurer's Notice

As of March 22nd, sixty Members have not paid for their pancake breakfast tickets. Treasurer Peterson will continue to deposit and account for Member Pancake Breakfast Tickets, however, due to personal time constraints, he will be unable to invoice members for this \$70 item.

Show Me the Money



Ron Puccioni Receives Jackpot from Judy Everett

Ron Puccioni was the winner of the big lotto jackpot at the March 12 meeting. The jackpot had grown to \$990 because, against all odds, nine black checkers in a row were drawn from the bag leaving the red one in the bag. The jackpot is shared 50/50 between the winner and the club administration fund. Ron tossed \$50 of his winnings into the Project Eliminate bin.

Education First Educational Homestay Programs seeks Hosts for Visiting Students

Open your heart and home to an international student for 26 days this summer. Students from Italy, Spain, Norway and Sweden are coming to Healdsburg to experience American life, explore our beautiful area and practice their English skills. Students are chaperoned during the day through EF Educational Homestay Programs. Host families provide room, board and a loving environment. For more information, contact Stephanie Keeble 536-8004 or s_keeble@hotmail.com.