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Annual Christmas Celebration



Santa and his elves with gift recipients

About 65 members and guests, including several Windsor Kiwanis Club members, attended our annual Christmas celebration on Tuesday, Dec. 17th. Patti prepared a special Christmas meal including a choice of Cornish Game Hen, Alaska scallops wrapped in bacon or rib eye steak & veggie skewers, eggplant parmesan, plus appetizers, salad, rolls. Liz Bippart topped off the feast with a decadent chocolate cheesecake.

Following the meal, Santa appeared for his annual visit. He had a bag full of gifts for a number of members deserving to be embarrassed. See page 5 for photos of the victims and their gifts.



Santa with his elves



Santa and Harry the news guy

Calendar Meeting Dates:

Jan 7. Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex – Program - Sally Mackin, CEO Healdsburg Education Foundation (HEF).

Jan 14: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex – Eric Smith -From Key Club to Kiwanis.

Jan 16: Board of Directors meeting, 6:00 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

Jan 21: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex –

Jan 28: Evening meeting at Villa Annex, 6:30 PM Social, 7:00 PM Meeting.

Other January Dates

Jan 11: DCM at Salvation Army of Santa Rosa, 9am – 2pm.

Save the Date

Feb 22, 2020: Tim Flannery Fundraising Concert (see back page)

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

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Terry Kemp, President at (707) 272-8849 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314.

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Happy Birthday

Rich Norgrove – Jan. 8 Arnold Santucci - Jan. 12, 1920 Andrew Smith – Jan. 12 Darlene Prigmore – Jan. 28 Rick Wood, Jan. 26

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

John Bippart - 1-4-94 LeRoy Steck - 1-4-00 Andrew Smith - 1-4-05 Terry Kemp - 1-10-17 James Silveira -1-30-68



The President's Message

Happy New Year to all,

We have had a lot of fun and shed some tears but through it all we have remained a "Rock" solid family.

When I think of this past year, I am so proud that we were able to have our Mid-Year North convention right in our own back yard. It was such a bright moment for Division 32 and Sonoma County. We survived the wettest Steel Head festival on record, had another successful Pancake



Breakfast and Safety Fair and have built bridges with Rotary, HEF and Corazon Healdsburg. We have started some annual traditions like our Alumni celebration as well as being a partner with the City for the St. Patrick's Day event. The possibilities are endless, and I am excited to see what the New Decade holds for us. I continue to be honored to be part of our club and look forward to the New Year unfolding.

Cheers to us,

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Hans Jordan Strong

With great sorrow we offer condolences and sympathies to Jerry and Loretta Strong for the loss of their beloved son. Jordy was taken unexpectedly on December 7.

"Jordy lit up the room with his infectious smile, gorgeous good loods and comedic sense of humor. He was demonstrarably compassionate, articulate and wise beyond his 30 years and selflessly devoted to his family and friends." Santa Rose Press Democrat, December 2019.

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

Administration Management

Financials

• The Admin Fund is hovering around \$3,000. Annual dues of \$8,600 will be paid this month so an appropriate amount will be borrowed from the reserve fund to cover the shortfall. Because Brandt's Beach was not an Admin fundraiser this year, the upcoming proceeds from the Steelhead Festival and FFA will support Admin. Going forward, our goal will be to find ways to build up the Admin Fund.

Presentation to the Board

 Jan presented a proposal to reinstate the annual golf tournament partnering with Rotary. The tentative date will be June 13th at the Tayman course. Funds earned would go to the Admin Fund.

Membership

 Dick will be preparing a membership survey with the intention of improving member relations. We want a vital club that serves its members as well as the community.

Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation

Grants/Donations/Requests

- None in December.
- A formal request will be forthcoming from Healdsburg Community Nursery School and discussed at the next board meeting.

Financials

• Fund assets are approximately \$93,000 with \$6,250 in the permanent reserve endowment fund. We paid out \$4,700 last month in donations.

Meeting Programs

Dec 3: Gerry La Londe-Berg, Share Sonoma County

Gerry La Londe-Berg talked about the Share Sonoma County Share Housing and Recourse Exchange – what it is and the services it provides. SHARE (Shared Housing And Resource Exchange) offers a home sharing program to provide affordable housing and to help seniors "age in Place". The program facilitates secure home shares for homeowners and renters who are currently stressed financially, experiencing life transitions, looking for companionship, or needing basic assistance to help them thrive and remain safely at home.

SHARE Home Shares are living arrangements between two or more unrelated people, one of whom is 60 years of age or older, who agree to share a home or apartment for their mutual benefit. Each person has their own bedroom and possibly bathroom, while sharing common living areas. Benefits include:

- Generate additional income.
- Companionship.
- Security of not living alone.
- Remain home and "age in place".
- Help with basic assistance
- Pease of mind for resident and family
- Homelessness protection
- Ongoing collaborative support services

Dec 10: Vern Losh - Behind the Scenes at a 49'er Game

The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) provides compassionate care to all those grieving the loss of a loved one who died while serving in our Armed Forces or as a result of his or her service. The mission of TAPS is to provide peer-based emotional support to all those who are grieving the death of someone who died during or as a result of their military service.

Vern and his family receive TAPS support in the memory of his son who served in the military and died a few years ago from cancer. Vern and Teresa attended a TAPS Salute to Service program at the San Francisco 49er game at Levi stadium on Veterans Day weekend. The event included attendance at the pre-game practice, tailgate lunch, the flag ceremony and the Seattle Seahawks vs. 49ers game.

Vern described their participation in the flag ceremony which included assembling the 100-yardlong flag and moving it onto the field. The flag is stored in pieces, each strip is rolled separately as is the blue field with stars piece. The assembly involves attaching the stripes to one another and then to the blue field. 150 volunteers stationed around the perimeter move the flag onto the field and hold and wave it during playing of the National Anthem.



Interclub Visits

San Francisco at the Fairmont Hotel December 10



Diane Pierce, Darlene Prigmore, Terry Kemp, Barbara Erickson, Susan Sheehy and up front, Anna Grant

Birthdays



Pres. Terry and VP Anna sing a special happy birthday song to each other



Terry was absent and could not taste her cake (at the SF interclub)



A birthday gift for Vern Loch

\$Happy/Sad\$

Roger Dormire sad that the Bear Republic is closing.

Dick Bugarske happy for the 40 enthusiastic Key Clubbers.

Denny Stead happy to recognize Dick and Nancy for their contribution to the Key Club success.

Judy Everett happy to be home after 10 weeks on the road.

Rich Thomas happy to be off to Australia.

Vern Loch happy for birth of new granddaughter.

Santa's Victims



A cheeseburger hat for LeRoy, most noted as a poet



Patti is running out of ideas for preparing chicken



A uniform for Bob the Pancake Breakfast pancake chef



Something to prevent Anna from biting someone's head off



Rowdy, a big guy picked on a lot is really an old pussy cat



A uniform for Vern the sausage chef (looks like bacon, but close enough)



A jar for Darlene's fund collection duties



A new fellow for Nancy



A uniform for Judy the egg chef

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