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Calendar

(Wayne Carr is Program
Chairman for January)

January 4

General Meeting of the Club

January 11

Kevin Rainer, USCG

January 18

TBA

January 25

TBA

Rest Home Residents Enjoy Visit From Kiwaniis Group

Several of our braver club members serenaded resident of two Healdsburg Rest Homes following the club's annual Christmas luncheon on December 21.

Carl Elze provided a coverup for some of the voices by playing his tuba, to the delight of some of the residents.

Small gift packages, consisting of a banana, orange and Hershey Chocolate kisses, were distributed to the residents who were willing to listen to the carolers. Also carnation corsages were given to the ladies.

Nancy Curnow led the singing thankfully, and more than one kazoo was heard-----by *Phil Rice, Chairman.*



Animal Shelter Project Nears Completion Date

The Care Room for Cats Project at the Healdsburg Animal Shelter is nearing completion with the new cement floor having been poured by Bob Randolph Cement, the insulation put in place by George Clough, Ken Turnbow and Carl Elze and the sheetrock being installed by George and Dennis Stead as well as Ken. We purchased and installed an airconditioner and we're looking for a

*Kiwanians hard at work remodeling the
Cat Care Room at the Animal Shelter*

a heater currently.

Following the sheetrock we will be putting in waterproof linoleum walls up to four feet (donated by Mark Davis at Davis Carpets), and putting in new light fixtures, installing a sink, cabinets and cages. We will then be ready for a dedication and the smiling faces on the cats who will find a nice safe warm place to stay thanks to Kiwanis..by *Rich Lehrmann, Chairman*

The President's Message :

January 4th Open Meeting Of The Club's Membership

By John Bippart

The annual Christmas party was a good time for all. Don Reukema arranged for the turkey and Nancy Curnow took it from there. She and Clyde delivered the finished product, boned, carved and ready to serve, including the giblet gravy, all warm as toast in a steam tray. That made the kitchen staff's job a whole lot easier.

Don and Betty Reukema and Sandy Dunn had made carnation corsages for all the ladies and Nancy and Clyde, assisted by Bruno Rodella, brought and placed all the table decorations.

The Music featured Nancy singing, accompanied by Clyde on his tuba at the outset. Later in the program Nancy and Clyde played the piano and tuba and we all sang Christmas Carols.

Santa Claus (Ken Turnbow) complained that the suit and chin whiskers were both hot and itchy. He stayed with it to the end and delivered all his gifts with the help of his appointed elves, Neil Iversen and Fred Haley. Jerry Strong pitched in, too.

Life is sure easy when you have help from people like this. Thank you one and all !!

Our first meeting of the new year will be January 4. It is designated as a "General Meeting" which means that instead of a program, we will have an open meeting of our membership. This is your opportunity to suggest ways in which we can improve our club. If there is something that you feel can be improved, let us know it. This is your club and your officers need your guidance and direction.

Happy New Year !

Important Future Dates:

January 28 and 29: Mid-Year Conference in San Jose.

February 19: Los Robles Lodge, Governor Terri Neuman pays her official visit. Rick Alves will receive the "Edward Solomon Public Service Award" and we want a good turnout to honor both Rick and the Governor.

February 26: "Total K Day" – a day when every member of the K Family joins together to perform meaningful service in a community within their division. The vision is to bring all members of the Kiwanis Family together at one time – on one special day – in the name of service. Projects should be planned as joint efforts of Kiwanis and sponsored youth at all levels. The project should involve no expense and should not be a fund-raiser of any kind.

Two New Members Will Be Inducted By Tim Tuscany, Membership and Program Chair

I AM CERTAINLY GRATEFUL for the great response to our continued membership drive. In early January the two newest members of the club will be inducted. Merrily Tuscany is the office manager at Tuscany Plumbing, and a past member of the Carmel Kiwanis where she was the Key Club advisor. Leroy Steck is currently the manager of the Healdsburg Inn on the Plaza. He brings with him a lifetime of service and many upper level management positions in education and hospital administration. This will bring our total to four new members for the year. What a great job ! The best part is that we continue to bring guests and more potential new members.

I HAVE HEARD THE PONDERING QUESTION, WHO? It should be anyone you respect and they don't have to be the most ranking person at a business for your consideration. For a junior at a company this may provide them with a great place to shine.

IS KIWANIS A SOCIAL CLUB? Yes, there is great camaraderie between members. Is the club a business club ? It is. When I look for a service in the community I always consider a club member, why not ? Kiwanis International has recently changed its position on this specific matter, as long as its done in a discreet manner. And Healdsburg Kiwanis is a service club. But we can't reach this goal without members. As our club has grown in numbers and experience we have been able to improve our community service.

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE CONTINUES to bring interesting and thought provoking presenters. We continue to need ideas for speakers. If you come upon someone interesting please let us know. January 4th will be a general meeting in which the whole club will participate in updates, reports and other matters of interest. January 11th Kevin Raimer will be coming up from the Coast Guard Station at Two Rock and talk about his pastime of dancing.

Kiwanians Donated Time As Bell Ringers For the Salvation Army In December

Phil Rice, chairman, reported that twenty-five Healdsburg Kiwanians volunteered to be Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle, located at the entrance to the Healdsburg Safeway Store during this holiday season.

Ken Turnbow, Hugo Bauer and Art McCaffrey volunteered for additional shifts after completing their original two hour shifts. Twelve of those great Key Clubbers also signed up and contributed their time as bell ringers. This is a real community service and your club thanks those who "rang the bells" to help others enjoy Christmas.

Nathan Basurto Is Our Student of the Month

Last month we presented our Student of the Month Award to Josh Stickelman. Josh and his parents attended our November meeting.

Josh has a 3.83 GPA which is admirable when considering the numerous extra-curricular activities he is engaged in. He has been involved as a volunteer with the Healdsburg Animal Shelter where he cleaned litter boxes and walked dogs, and the Youth Soccer League where he helped refereeing games.

In addition to those activities he belongs to the Warm Springs 4H Club where his project is raising sheep for exhibiting at both the Future Farmers Country Fair and the Sonoma County Fair.

In sports he participates in football and wrestling. He received the designation of Scholar Athlete in football for academic achievement while participating in a major sport.

Last and certainly not least he received an award for having the highest grades in Algebra for the entire school.

Next month our first student will be Nathan Basurto on January 4 and probably (if I can get a new list from the school) another later on in the month to get on a more regular schedule. —by Temple Smith, Chairman.

A Large Group Attends Interclub at Geyserville

As of this moment there are only two points of interest differing from last month's report.

Bob Meyer led one of the largest groups ever to the Geyserville Christmas meeting on December 16. Don Reukema stood up at the meeting prior to the interclub and suggested as many as possible attend this "bash" and take over the "joint." Don Reukema said that? Yes, he did!

Lee Gunnerson might consider the fervor this event generated and use the format for our "2000" Christmas party.

Hugo Bauer has changed his interclub visit to the Sonoma Plaza Club until April. Scheduled for January are Clarence Ruonavaara to the Windsor Club and Dennis Stead to the Key Club. —by Dale Lynch

Take A Chance !

The Key Club members at the Healdsburg High School are continuing to raise funds so they can attend their convention in Long Beach in March.

The Key Clubbers are selling raffle tickets to the Victor Borge Show on March 2 at the Luther Burbank Center, Santa Rosa. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Each Kiwanian has received three tickets and Dennis Stead, Key Club advisor, asks that you buy them or sell them. If you don't buy or sell them please return the tickets to Dennis Stead. If you do sell them or buy them please give the money to Dennis or Jerry Strong by mid-January.

Let's Top The Pancake Breakfast Ad Sales !

Richard Iverson, chairman of the Pancake Breakfast Advertising Sales, said that last year 76 advertisements were sold by the ad committee bringing in \$4300 toward the total income of the breakfast.

This is the best participation we have ever experienced and he urged committee members to sell several new advertisers.

The two page advertisement will be published in the Healdsburg Tribune on April 12. Deadline for the ads is April 4.

The Pancake Breakfast, our major fundraiser, is chaired by Lee Gunnerson and is scheduled for April 16 at the Villa Chanticleer.

Happy Birthday To:

Rich Norgrove — January 8.

Arnold Santucci — January 12.

Francis Passalacqua — January 20.

Phil Rice — January 24.

Action Of The Board at The December Meeting

Under new business, the board approved a donation of \$250 to "My Body Is Healthy" program. Contributed \$400 to help finance a trip to Washington D.C. for two Healdsburg High School students, Jenna McDaniel and Natalie Kuehl.

Under International business the request of a donation of \$250 for the Children's Fund will come from the charity collection of January and February.

Bob Marmor, chairman, reported that he is consulting with the architect and the landscape designer regarding the beautification of the south entrance to Healdsburg. He will also try to get the property owners to meet with city officials and the designer. Also under consideration as a project is the Gazebo at the Villa Chanticleer which will be moved between the parking lot and the children's playground.

Jack Brandt and Dennis Gary are still working on establishing a Key Club at the Rio Lindo Academy.

Phil Rice, chairman of the sign committee to erect a service club sign at the entrance to Healdsburg, (sign will include the logos of Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions and Soroptimists), reported the sign would cost \$800 and would equal out at \$200 per club. Phil will contact the other clubs.

At A Glance:

Pete Peterson and Tom Passalacqua were duly recognized for their diligent work as members of the Memorial Scholarship Fund which now totals \$76,000.

Congratulations to: Rich and Barbara Iverson who celebrated their 47th anniversary and Bob and Pat Malone, their 55th anniversary, both events in December.

Back for a visit to the club at our December 7 meeting was past president Ben Collins, guest of Rich Lehmann

Great "Wrapping" Party For Project Presents Wowed Terry Amoruso

What a wonderful response by our Kiwanis members for the "Project Presents" sponsored by Amoruso Printing.

The final total from the charity fund was \$650 and the donations from the membership came to \$580. All this money was used to buy new shoes for those who received the Christmas gifts of clothes and toys.

The exciting thing was the "wrapping party" held at the Salvation Army's dining room at Lytton on December 4. There was a total of 13-15 Kiwanians and their spouses, boy scouts and Key Clubbers for a total of 27 "wrappers."

I want to thank everyone for their cooperation and generosity for this project.

Isn't nice to know that we helped make many people's Christmas bright! —by Nancy Curnow, Spiritual Aims Committee Chair.

Interesting Data About Kiwanis:

Lt. Gov. Alvie Rochester, at an official visit to our club on December 7, came up with some interesting statistics about Kiwanis International: There are 8522 clubs, 940 divisions, 47 districts and 19 international officers and trustees. In the Ca.Nev.Ha District there are 544 clubs, 18,854 members with Hawaii having 300 members and Division 32,570 members.



Helping to wrap gifts at the Wrapping Party

The majority of the clubs are located in North America with 84.90 percent of the members and 80.20 percent of the clubs. Europe has only 8.70 percent of the members and 12 percent of the clubs. The average age of the members is 55.1 years with 40 percent of Kiwanians over 60 years and only 12 percent under 35 years.

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