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So Ya Wanna Play some Poker, Do Ya?



The tournament gets underway with 9 tables of 8 players, a total of 72

Photo by Rich Tang

Our 1st Annual Texas Hold'em Tournament held at the Longboard Barrel Room on June 2 was a roaring success. 72 players competed for 8 fabulous, donated prizes that had a total value of over \$10,000.

The buy in was \$100, which bought \$1,000 worth of play money chips. Players were permitted a one-time supplemental purchase of \$500 in chips for \$50. Play started promptly at 11:00 am, broke for lunch at noon and resumed at 12:30. Pit boss Pennylee Christensen called the game promptly at 4:00 pm. There were 3 tables of 8 players remaining and the 8 prize winners were determined by chip count (Winners photo on page 2).

Thanks to our event leadership Jim Lucchi, Nancy Arsenal, and of course Susan Sheehy who dealt a proverbial royal flush in pulling it all off and other members who helped and/or played. Special thanks to our major sponsors, Longboard for the great venue and wine, Agave for the delicious lunch, and Fogbelt for beer, as well as other sponsors shown on the posters (see photo on next page).

The total net proceeds from the event were about \$6,000, earmarked for our Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Everyone had a great time for a great cause!

More photos by Debby, Denny and Harry on page 2 & 3, and 72 by a professional, Rich Tang on our club's website. Thank you, Rotarian Rich!

Regular Tuesday meetings at the Villa.

Meeting Dates:

Jul 2: Monthly evening meeting, Kiwanis Night with the Prune Packers. Rec park, 6:00 pm game time.

Jul 9: Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Prune Packers 2024.

Jul 16: An evening of music, food, and raffle items at the Senior Center.

Jul 18: Board Meeting, Round Table Pizza.

Jul 23: Regular Meeting at 12 noon. **Elena Nelson**, Development Coordinator at Food For Thought.

Jul 30: Regular Meeting at 12 noon. **Guy French**, Softball Pitcher Extraordinaire!

July Events

Jul 11: Jordy Strong Memorial Bench dedication. Eisenhower Tree at the Villa, 4:00pm.

Save the Date

Jun 1, 2025: Second annual Texas Hold'em Tournament.

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 Susan Sheehy (707-326-2712) or Secretary Liz Bippart (707-227-4314).

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Prize winners, first to eighth, from left: Steve Kemi, Bob Fabreau, Dennis Thompson, Ben Gilliam, Roy Saunders, Dan Reeder, Mark Inman, Dixie McMasters



Our Sponsors



Rick Wood wins with a 2-3-4-5-6 straight flush, beating the club flush



Jim Schmidt's amazing painting, a lasting legacy for our Club of this first ever Hold'em event



Pit Boss Pennylee Christensen



Longboard staff tend the wine & beer bar



Dick & Nancy welcome and check in Players



Caroline and Liz count their chips



**Anna & Patti tend the liquid refreshment bar.
Is that moonshine in that there jar?**



**The first place winner's choice,
A wheelbarrow of spirits paired with
Jim Schmidt's painting**

Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Officers 2023-2024

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Richard Bugarske (Q2),
Susan Sheehy (Q3),
Jan Gianni (Q4)

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Happy Birthday

George Diebold – July 1

Harry Jackson – July 1

John Dayton – July 2

Tom Rackerby – July 8

Carol Feldner - July 9

Todd Brandt – July 10

Kathy Burgess – July 16

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Richard Bugarske - 7-1-03

George Clough - 7-14-98

Edgar Deas - 7-22-86



The President's Message

Greetings Dear Club Members,

Here comes the 4th and last quarter of our fiscal year! And I will be the last of your Past Presidents to preside. My quarter seemed fairly quiet at first. I am already working now on the upcoming July visit to Lakeport by our Governor, Carole Farris. I'm also assuring Denny that yet another Brandt's Beach BBQ evening, will be "THE BEST EVER!"

What a fun evening this past Tuesday, spending our weekly meeting at the gorgeous Due Ruscelli Winery! Many of us were not familiar with this lovely vineyard and their stunning property on Limerick Lane. The evening was perfect weather-wise. Appetizers and delicious salads were prepared by members, Lucy Lewand and Diana Blakely. Wonderful wines were served all evening by the Sloan family members. I think we all agree that more special evening "meetings" like this, are the way to go!

Next up will be the Kiwanis evening at the Prune Packers game on Tuesday, July 2nd. Go Prune Packers! More information on timing will follow. Please do not miss out on this fun...be sure to join us!

Together, let's all make this last quarter another great one! I miss many of you who I know might read this newsletter, all made possible by our own very talented, Harry Jackson. Please come to the ball game or to a lunch meeting again, very soon!

Warm regards,
President Jan Gianni

Jordy Strong

Dear Kiwanis Club Members:

After Jordy's passing, our Club received over \$5,000 in donations in his honor. I commissioned our very own Jim Schmidt to craft a Memorial Bench which he has just completed. It will be unveiled at a special ceremony on July 11th, Jordy's 35th birthday, at 4:00 pm at the Villa Chanticleer followed by a champagne reception catered by Patti.

Please join Jerry and me to honor our son.

Thank you!

Loretta

Marty Brown

Sadly, Cindi Brown's husband, Marty, died on, June 8, 2024. Many of us had met Marty over the years at different functions and evening meetings and he was a kind and gentle soul with a winning smile and generous heart. We all wish Cindi and her family courage and peace during this time of mourning.

Dick B.



**Marty & Cindi
at Brandt's Beach**



Welcome new members Dr. Carolyn Wright and Melenie Taylor



Co-President Susan Sheehy, sponsor Judy Everett, Dr. Carolyn Wright, Membership Chair Loretta Strong, Melenie Taylor and sponsor Bob Taylor

We welcomed two new members, Carolyn and Melenie, during our June 4 meeting.

Melenie and Bob met on a 50-mile scout hike and have been married for 35 years. She is a 37-year member of the American Legion. After attending many of our meetings and events with Bob, she decided it was time to join. A Legion goal is honoring the needs of children and since Kiwanis has similar objectives, Melenie feels a good fit.

Caroline and her husband recently moved from San Francisco and settled in Healdsburg. She is a recently retired pediatrician working in private practice. Her group, Town and Country Pediatrics in San Francisco experienced problems during COVID and were rescued by Stanford Children's Health.

Carolyn met Judy while Judy was promoting the fireworks at the plaza, and they quickly became friends. Judy invited Carolyn to enjoy the great view of the fireworks from the Everett patio.



Susan Sheehy and Denny Stead accept a patch for our Kiwanis banner at the Lake Sonoma DCM on June 1. It took us 100 years to achieve it

Meetings

Jun 4: Loretta Strong, Traveling the Mighty Mississippi, Rollin, Rolln Down River

Loretta and Jerry took a break from their overseas travels to visit the USA. Their recent "Heart of the Delta" tour started in New Orleans with a free night on Bourbon Street followed the next day by an air boat swamp tour. Loretta showed a video of the tour that included a meeting with Pookie, a 6-8 ft long alligator. Pookie's 12 ft. long mate was lurking about but stayed out of sight.

They then sailed up the Mississippi and visited Natchez and the Vicksburg battlefield. After a side trip to Nashville, they cruised on to Memphis and ended their journey with a tour of Graceland.

Jun 11: Patty Dahl, Healdsburg Food Pantry.



The Healdsburg Food Pantry mission is "Partnering to serve our community by providing nourishment of body, mind and spirit with the love of God."

In a very informative presentation, Patty told us all the what, who, and how of the Healdsburg Food Pantry. The all-volunteer organization has been serving the residents of Healdsburg and Geyserville for over 40 years. Residents can visit the pantry once a week to pick up a week's supply of food for their families. The only qualification is to be a resident of one of the communities, proved by utility bills, driver's license or other documentation. The 130+ homeless population is also served.

Food is obtained from the Redwood Empire Food Bank, supermarket excess, gleaners, and individual donations. Food consists of meat, produce and the basics: canned goods, milk, eggs, and bread. The food is packed in containers by volunteers for the walk-up distribution to the clients.

Volunteers are needed to pick up food, sort and store food, assemble the weekly supply for the clients, and keep the kitchen clean and orderly.

Funding for obtaining food and other expenses is covered by donations large and small and grants. One of the volunteers is devoted to aggressively pursuing grants.

Food costs are substantial as shown by Patty in the photo.



Patty shows the food cost numbers

Jun 18: Joanne Taeuffer, Local Building's Time Machine



Joanne was the driving force in creating the Healdsburg Museum's "Docents in the Plaza" project three years ago and continues to supervise the program. On Saturday mornings during the summer, docents present discussions of various special "History Talks" topics on Healdsburg History.

Joanne presented one of the recent talks that took us on a journey showing how many local commercial buildings have evolved over the years.

Adaptive Reuse: Repurposing historical or architecturally significant buildings to a new use after they have outlived their original purpose.

An example of adaptive reuse is the museum itself that opened as the Carnegie Library in 1911. In the 1980's the library became too small for the growing needs of the community and the new library was built on Piper Street. The transition to the museum was straightforward because no major structural changes were necessary. Other examples are the Purity Market Quonset, now occupied by the Healdsburg Running Company and the Farmers and Merchant's Bank (1907). The Bank of America was the next tenant and when B of A moved to its present location, the building served a variety of uses including art galleries and shops.

Jun 25: Monthly evening meeting social. Winery event hosted by Lucy Lewand

Lucy Lewand put together a wonderful evening at the Due Ruscelli Winery on Limerick Lane. Hosts Melissa and Mike Sloan offered complimentary wine and estate olive oil tasting. Assorted salads and appetizers were provided by Lucy Lewand and Diana Blakeley.



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

Melenie Taylor happy to be official.

Susan Sheehy, a happy \$20 – it's over! Also happy that Sidney graduated.

Jan Gianni never expected to have so much fun at Longboard.

Margie Koetzner happy her guy won Texas Hold'em second prize and they will be visiting Sea Ranch.

Rowdy Yates happy for the 102 cowboy cookies Liz baked for the event.

Debby Dormire happy she was able to bring Patty to talk about the Food Pantry. Also happy that granddaughter Taylor graduated from Windsor High School.

Eric Frost happy to be going camping with grandchildren in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Pancake Breakfast for Healdsburg Junior High School 8th grade graduates

Thursday June 6 was graduation day for the Healdsburg Junior High School eighth graders. With Loretta Strong at the helm, our club members joined the celebration and prepared and served breakfast to 100 graduates before sending them on their way to celebrate their special day.

Dan cooked 10 pounds of sausages to a golden brown and Harry mixed about 12 pounds of batter mix to the proper and mostly lump free consistency and the flipping crew heated the griddle to a perfect temperature and flipped about 220 pancakes. The breakfast was complete with a delicious fresh berry compote prepared by Loretta. A contingent of Kiwanians helped set up, work the serving line, cleanup, and all other necessary tasks. Thanks to all for the hard workers and the HJHS staff for their help and cheerfully putting up with us.

Special thanks to Frank and Carol Teuschler and the American Legion for loaning the Legion's pancake grilling machine including early morning delivery to the school and pick up after it cooled.

An early morning panic occurred when the crew was unable to light the griddle. They called Frank for advice, who told them the griddle had to be turning before it would light. Oh, plug it in!



It's all good!



**Finally lit and test batch cooking
Denny, Dan, Jan, Jim, Loretta, Dick, & Jerry
Harry inside mixing, Anna's duty called**



**Jan, Loretta, Jerry & Dan enjoy a late
breakfast (others eating outside)**

The Builder - - KIWANIS CLUB OF HEALDSBURG

Good Tuesday, Division 32 Kiwanians.

Please share DCM RECAP with all of your members - those who attended and those who did not. Please share with all Key Clubs as well.

- Thank you again to **Gary Evans, Pres. Cloverdale Kiwanis** and all of the hardworking, fun-loving **Cloverdale Kiwanis** members!
- Thank you to **Paula Kelley of Kiwanis Family House** for your presentation. I am so happy that we sent you home with a full car!
- Thank you to all of the **KEY CLUBBERS** who attended and the **Key Club Advisors** who support them! So great to have many at our picnic.
- Congratulations to **North Bay Kiwanis** for being the one and only 2023 **DISTINGUISHED CLUB** in D32!
- Congratulations to **Healdsburg Kiwanis** for earning their 100 **YEAR CLUB BANNER PATCH!**
- Congratulations to the **Kiwanis Club of Cloverdale** for receiving a brick at the Kiwanis Family House. Certificate to come your way soon; brick must be seen in person!
- Congratulations to **Bob Isaacs of Santa Rosa Kiwanis** for receiving his 30 Year Legacy of Honor pin!
- Bon voyage to **Patrick & Evelyn** of Cloverdale Kiwanis.

Thank you all for coming to the DCM and supporting Division 32 Kiwanis.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the **OFFICIAL GOVERNOR'S VISIT** on **JULY 20** in **LAKEPORT!** Invitation to come soon.

♥ Diane Anthony, D32 LTG

Kiwanis
CALIFORNIA NORTHERN BAY AREA DISTRICT

HIGHLIGHTS of our DCM Summer Picnic
@ Lake Sonoma, Warm Springs Dam
SATURDAY, June 1st, 2024

HEADS UP! We broke a record (during my 2 years as Lt. Gov.)
We had **58 Kiwanians, 14 Key Clubbers and 2 guests** -
(Paula Kelley from Kiwanis Family House & her husband).

TEN out of our eleven Division 32 Clubs were in attendance!

Thank you so much to Cloverdale Kiwanis
for hosting, showing up in **NUMBERS**, setting up early, signing in, selling raffle tickets, Key Clubbers with games, BBQ'ing in the sun, serving lunch & drinks, & cleaning up!

KEY CLUBS
 Cloverdale HS
 Santa Rosa HS
 Maria Carillo HS

Kiwanis Family House Presentation
 Paula Kelley, Executive Director

Donations in goods and funds were presented to KFH

DIVISION 32 AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Bob Isaacs** (Kiwanis Club of Santa Rosa): **30 Year Legacy of Honor pin**
- Kiwanis Club of North Bay**: 2023 **Distinguished Club Recognition**
- Kiwanis Club of Cloverdale**: **Kiwanis Family House brick** given in honor of their many years of Div. 32 support
- Kiwanis Club of Healdsburg**: **100 Year Club banner patch**

Good Company, Good Food, Good Fun