



September 2025

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Flag Day in August?

On Aug. 26th we gathered for our Tuesday evening meeting at Brandt's Beach and celebrated the new Flagpole our Club helped purchase and some of the new items and areas that the Brandt family have created. Todd showed off the new mobile bar that he had set up at the Picnic Grounds. He had acquired two sections of the original John & Zeke's bar on Plaza Street.

Members enjoyed Food, Fun, and Camaraderie with a full array potluck appetizers along with a full bar tended by Todd and Craig.



Regular Tuesday meetings at the Villa Chanticleer Annex.

Meeting Dates:

- Sep 2:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, (TBD)
- Sep 9:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Joseph Franco** - CEO | IT Consultant - "in the cloud IT"
- Sep 16:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Teresa Elward Mangiapani**, Publisher, Healdsburg Living - Local People- Local Stories- Local Businesses.
- Sep 18:** Board Meeting, Round Table Pizza.
- Sep 23:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, **Christee Styles & Jodee Anello**, Organized Wine Country - Organized for Peace of Mind.
- Sep 30:** Evening Meeting at Villa Annex - Installation of new officers.

Other Sept. Events

- Sep 13:** Brandt's Beach BBQ. - Food, Fun, Camaraderie.
- Sep 20:** Saturday Foss Creek Cleanup - Provide lunch for participants working with the City of Healdsburg and HHS Key Club.

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

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact President Eric Frost 559-802-6297 or Secretary Liz Bippart 707-227-4314.

Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Officers 2024-2025

President – Eric Frost
President Elect (open)
Secretary – Liz Bippart
Admin. Treasurer- Richard Bugarske
Project Treasurer - Ron Doble
Past Co-Presidents – Loretta Strong,
Richard Bugarske, Susan Sheehy,
Jan Gianni

Board of Directors

Debby Dormire Barbara Erickson
Susan Sheehy Jan Gianni

Memorial Scholarship Board of Directors

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

The Builder

Harry Jackson, Editor

Happy Birthday

Eric Smith – Sept. 6
Ken Rochioli – Sept. 19
Debi Doble – Sept 7
Cindi Brown – Sept. 23
Lindsay Wurlitzer – Sept. 23
Robert Taylor – Sept. 27

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

James Schmidt - 9-7-04
Eric Frost - 9-12-23
Jerry Strong - 9-8-92
Gary Plass - 9-25-01
Randolph Collins - 9-25-01



The President's Message

Dear Kiwanis Family,

As my 2024/25 term as president draws to a close, I want to express thanks to every member of our club. This past year has been one of growth, service, and genuine friendship.

Thank you for:

- Your dedication to planned service projects that brought real, positive change to our community.
- Your presence at meetings and events. (I particularly enjoyed learning about many of you as we told two truths and a lie. I will remember many of those truths.)
- Your mentorship and encouragement inspired newer members to step up and contribute their talents.

We achieved many wonderful moments together:

- We had our first Nov. Holiday Pie Sale Fundraiser.
- We supported many of our community events such as the Hall of Fame, the St. Patrick's Day event at Fitch Mountain School, the Junior High Pancake Breakfast, the First Responders luncheon and Merry Healdsburg horse rides, although the horse came up lame and the rides were cut short.
- We supported Boy Scout Troop 21 and our High School Key Club with our new Key Club Lt. Governor, Ava Wolske.
- We conducted fundraisers such as Merry Healdsburg, the Steelhead Festival, the Pancake Breakfast, the FFA Fair and Texas Hold-em.
- We had fun social events such as Super Bowl bowls and soup.
- As a club, we contributed over \$25,000 to high school scholarships.

To our officers, board, committee chairs, and volunteers—thank you for stepping up, leading with integrity, and lifting each other up.

As we close this chapter, I'm excited for the future as our new President, Liz Biphart leads our club forward. We all need to select the committees we want to work on this next year and pitch in to carry forward the Kiwanis spirit: service above self, fellowship, and a shared purpose to improve lives one child at a time.

Thank you once again for the honor of serving as your president. It's been a privilege to work alongside such wonderful people.

Warm regards,

Eric Frost President, Healdsburg Kiwanis Club, 2024/25



Board of Director's Meeting

There was no Board Meeting in August.

Slate of 2025/26 Club Officers

To be installed at our September 30 meeting at the Villa Annex.

President - Liz Bippart

President Elect - Barbara Erickson

Secretary – Board will appoint one of their members

Admin. Treasurer- Richard Bugarske (continuing)

Project Treasurer - Ron Doble (continuing)

Past President – Eric Frost

Board of Directors

Barbara Erickson, Susan Sheehy, Jan Gianni,
Jerry Strong, Loretta Strong, Caroline Wright
Retiring from the Board - Debby Dormire

Meeting Summaries

Aug 5: Lucy Lewand, Lucy's Life Journey Continues.

Your Everyday Superpower? Hospitality.

We learned shortly before the meeting that the Villa Annex would not be available because the Legion had an event going on. So, our always reliable Anna quickly rearranged Senior Center activities so we could meet there. Thanks Anna!

August typically is the hottest month of the year and, just in case you didn't know, August 1-7 is International Clown week. *Dick's useless facts*

Lucy spoke about her life as an innkeeper and her passion for hospitality.

Ray and Delmas Lewand purchased the old hospital in 1981, moved from Southern California and opened the Camellia Inn as one of the first licensed bed and breakfast. Daughter Lucy joined them in running the Inn after completing her master's in business administration from UCLA. Ray and Del were involved in the daily running of the Inn until



Del's passing in 2006. Lucy took over from Ray and in 2021 Lucy sold the Inn to the Wilson family.

Lucy, following her BA degree started work on the business side of running the inn. It was at a time when personal computers first became available, and she put them to work in running the business. But she soon realized that she was missing something and wanted to move on into hospitality.

Lucy' hospitality approach:

1. Patience, "I see you", kindness.
2. Professionalism.
3. Proactivity – solve problems before they happen.
4. Passion!



Tito helps Eric clean up after the meeting

Aug 12: Page Mazzoni, CEO Canine Companions.

Our guests today were a bunch of dogs who brought their trainers with them.

Page, in her interesting presentation, spoke about The Canine Companions organization and their services provided.

Founded in 1975, Canine Companions is a non-profit organization that enhances lives of people with disabilities by providing expertly trained service dogs to individuals free of charge for the working lifetimes of that team.

While the people served live with more than 65 different disabilities, Canine Companions service dogs can meet their diverse needs and impact their lives in powerful ways.

People Served include:

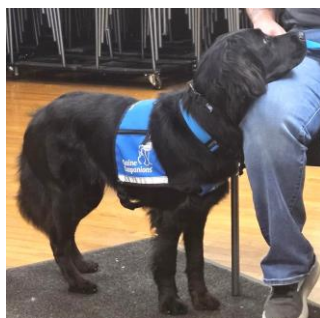
- Neuromuscular/ Muscular Disability.
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Paralysis
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Neurological Disorder
- Developmental or Cognitive Disability
- PTSD

The Canine Companions Program:

- Breeder Caretaker – Volunteers provide a loving home and excellent care for an active breeder dog.
- Puppy Raising - Volunteers care for and train puppies for 18 months.
- Professional Training – Four to Nine months at training centers.
- Team Training – Clients stay two weeks onsite, work with multiple dogs before matching, and learn handling skills and train customized commands.

Eden, one of the trainers and her dog Olive demonstrated the dog's ability to respond to commands and perform tasks.

- Open/close doors by pushing on push plate or pulling of cord attached to door.
- Retrieving/picking up.
- Companionship/Loving.



Eden and Olive

Aug 19: Committee assignments.

During the pandemic our committee assignments and procedures were unnecessary because little was happening. Since then, we have operated without official committees and have managed to function, but not well.

Why Committees?

1. Focus Expertise
2. Develop Leadership
3. Increase Member Engagement
4. Improve Planning and Execution
5. Share Responsibility and Collaboration
6. Improve Sustainability and Continuity

Prez Eric and Prez Elect Liz are in the process of reestablishing our committees. Eric passed out and discussed copies of an updated list of pre pandemic Standing and Project Committees. Some of the projects are subject to further discussion regarding changes or if we want to continue them.

We also received the club committee list and were asked to CIRCLE which committees you would like to be part of. Since we are a small group, 2 or 3 are recommended from each list.

The assignments will be for one year and can be renewed. The president appoints the committee chairs. Assignment committees will meet informally and are expected to complete their assignment without additional direction. The project committees will meet periodically, more often as an event draws near. Everyone will work on the day of projects. Eric asks for the return of our selections by September 6.

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

Debby Dormire happy to have her house painted, a project that Roger had been putting off too long.

Anna Grant happy to be celebrating wedding anniversary.

Denny Stead sad that Joanne is leaving for a month.

Susan Sheehy happy to be heading for Portugal.

Patti Robarts happy to be off for grandson Brock's wedding in Southern California.

The Builder - - KIWANIS CLUB OF HEALDSBURG

Brandt's Beach BBO
Healdsburg Kiwanis Steak Barbeque
 Saturday Night, 5:00 p.m.
 At Brandt's Beach **\$40** per person

Wine - by Betty Reed

SEPTEMBER 13 2025

sign up
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ARE YOU HUNGRY? HUNGRY FOR SERVICE? HUNGRY FOR THE NEW YEAR?

You are invited to join Division 32 for the
 Lt. Governor Installation of Richard "Rich" Della Maggiora!

Time to feast and party for the 2025-2026 term!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
 (Wine at 6:30 pm - Dinner at 7:00 pm)

GEYSERVILLE ORIENTAL HALL
 1000 Hwy 128, Geyserville

\$40 per person
RSVP's Required NO LATER than September 1st!
 Pay by check or cash at door
 (A reservation made is a reservation paid)

Menu by Chef Kat
 Spiral Glazed Ham, Potatoes au gratin, Seasonal Vegetables with Honey Butter,
 Salad with Citrus Vinaigrette, Rolls & Butter, Banana Cream Pie with Whipped Cream

PLEASE RSVP to incoming D32 Secretary, Pennytee Christensen
 at pennytee@johncwehde.com

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Happy August Birthdays



Judy



Jane



Susan