

THE BUILDER

KIWANIS CLUB

of Healdsburg



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Calendar

Club Welcomes Two New Members



Shown during the July 23 induction Ceremony are Membership Chair Jan Gianni, Inductees Rick Anixter and Dorothy Colloran and Their Sponsor, President Loretta Strong

With the induction of the two new members shown above during the July 23 induction ceremony, the club now has six couples on the roster. . They join the Strong's, the Gianni's the Dolby's, the Tice's and Patti and Rick. Rick Anixter and Dorothy Colloran are engaged to be married in the near future.

Rick and Dorothy have known each other for many years, but have recently developed a closer relationship. Dorothy has 2 adult daughters and Rick has 3 adult sons. Dorothy is a nurse working at Healdsburg Hospital. Rick recently returned from China where he was a manufacturer representative working on a development project. Dorothy and Loretta have been friends for many years and their most notable thing in common is the "Dirty Martini". No explanation was given.

Both expressed great enthusiasm for Kiwanis and look forward to participation in club activities. Dorothy is especially eager to work at the Christmas tree lot and at the FFA food booth.

Drew Esquivel Becomes Eagle Scout

A ceremony honoring Drew Esquivel for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout will be held on Sunday August 11 at 2:00 pm at Clary Hall. Drew was one of our students of the month for 2012/2013. He was a guest at our March 5 meeting and spoke about his experiences in scouting and described the many troop activities and projects. Earlier this year he was chosen for the James Family Foundation Full-Ride Scholarship at MIT and will be off to MIT soon.

Aug 6: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. - President Loretta Strong on the Kiwanis International Convention

Aug 13: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Pat Callahan, Alliance Clinic plans for a Pediatric Dental Center

Aug 15: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. Location to be determined

Aug 20: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. - Annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Committee selection meeting

Aug 24: Annual BBQ at Brandt's Beach See Page 4 for details

Aug 27: No Evening Meeting (moved forward to Brandt's Beach BBQ)

Future Dates:

Sep 18: 5th Annual Golf Tournament (See Page 6)

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

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Loretta Strong, President at 473-8033 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8005

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President

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The Builder

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Happy Birthday

Phil Luks – August 3
Don Marshall – August 3
Ron Doble – August 3
Judith Everett – August 4
James Lucchesi – August 4
Kurt Hahn – August 5
Ken Scharer – August 6
Susan Sheehy – August 17
Jesse Whitely - August 19
Rick Anixter - August 19

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Joseph Engler - 8-28-01
Vince Ciolino - 8-27-02
David Jones - 8-8-06
Jeff DeZurik - 8-4-09
Lockie Gillies - 8-28-12 (5-14-02)

The President’s Message:

Dear Kiwanians:

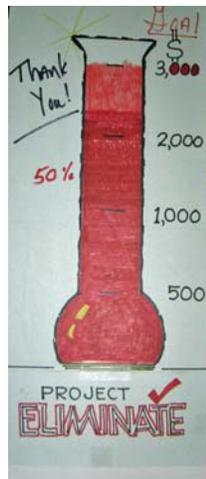
As I write this I am reflecting on the great evening meeting we had last Tuesday! After recovering from the fact that we were locked out of the bar, again, we proceeded to pool our resources, locate wine openers and raid the speaker's closet! So, it all worked out great after all! But the highlight of the evening was the installation of my dear friends and clients Dorothy Colloran and Rick Anixter who joined as Associate Members. As their sponsor I addressed the Club on their behalf and really focused on the fact that when couples join Kiwanis it brings a different energy and dynamism to the Club. So, I issue this challenge to all of you: look around at the most favorite people you socialize with and invite them to visit us at a meeting. For Dorothy and Rick it definitely clicked in during Jan's induction process that the 6 objects of Kiwanis are worthy and virtuous behaviors and they can't wait to get started! In fact, OMG where is Ken Scharer, Dorothy stated that she has always wanted to work at the Xmas Tree Lot!! Could this be the beginning of a stampede? Think yes!

Also as I write this we are heading off tomorrow with the Giannis to visit the Ft. Bragg interclub. It has become increasingly more apparent as we contact and visit clubs that many are in very poor shape. Ft. Bragg has about 11-12 regular members and the past Lt. Gov asked me if Healdsburg would like to be the speaker program in case they couldn't come up with one! I of course said yes but how sad that seems when you compare it to the top notch collection of programs that we come up with week in and week out. It turns out that Clear Lake has 2 regular members that show up and maybe about the same for Rohnert Park. We are the oldest and the largest club in Division 32 and it is a testament to our prominence and our influence that we are growing and moving against the trend of declining numbers. My goal for this year was 12 new members and Chase Conley will become # 9 and I'm working on two more!

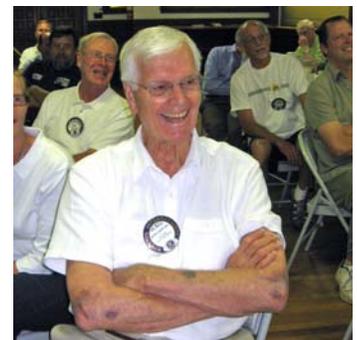
So, right now before it becomes totally sold out see if there is a great couple that you want to invite to Brandt's Beach to check us out at our finest and funnest social event and fundraiser of the year! Let the party begin!

Loretta

Project Eliminate Over the Top



President Loretta announced at the July 16 meeting that contributions to Project Eliminate totaled \$2326.56 as of that date, with \$673.44 remaining to reach the \$3000 goal. She added that she had been approached by an anonymous donor who pledged to donate half of the remaining amount, provided that the other half could be raised from the membership. Following the announcement, several members pledged various amounts to make up the difference and the goal was achieved. The name of the anonymous donor was then revealed.



John Anonymous

Board of Directors July Action

Provided by Treasurer Pete Peterson

The following grant request action was taken:

Approved \$1,000 for the American Legion Post 111 2014 Fireworks.



Approved a \$2,000 Matching Grant for Healdsburg Junior High - Community Matters - Bullying Program

Approved \$1,164.25 for Healdsburg Boys & Girls Club purchase of six tables, per an invoice dated Nov. 20, 2012. The approval is contingent upon a review of Club records to determine that this is not a duplicate request.

The representative of the Healdsburg Boys & Girls Club asked why this invoice had not been paid since it was part of a \$2,500 grant approved by the Club Board at its November, 2011 Board Meeting. The representative also stated that, in his opinion, the Club had a moral obligation to annually provide funds to the Boys & Girls Club because the Club took over the Christmas Tree Lot from the Boys & Girls Club. Treasurer Pete responded that:

1. He had not seen this invoice before;
2. The current Club Board is not bound by the actions of prior Boards;
3. There is no oral or written contract between our Club and the Boys & Girls Club to share in the annual profits of the Christmas Tree Lot;
4. There is no moral obligation for the Club to donate funds to any institution, organization, group or individual;
5. The Club Board will consider donation requests from the Healdsburg Boys & Girls Club or any other organization only for specific projects or programs.

In other action Assistant Treasurer Wells' duties were expanded to permit access, for observation purposes only, to the Club's On-Line checking accounts and money market fund at American River Bank - Healdsburg Branch. A discussion ensued re requiring two signatures on all checks. This item was tabled pending further analysis of the whether this would unnecessarily add burden to the Club financial process.

Jesse Whitely's Administrative Leave was extended six months from July 1 to December 31, 2013.

July Programs

Viveka Rydell - PDI Surgery Center

Viveka Rydell – CEO of the Pediatric Dental Initiative (PDI) Surgery Center spoke at the July 2 meeting about children's dental health and the services offered by the PDI Surgery Center in Windsor.

Tooth Decay is the #1 chronic disease of children in the US. In 2007, more than 500,000 California children reported missing at least 1 day of school as a result of dental health problems. In Sonoma County, there are 15 dentists to serve more than 109,000 low income residents. About two thirds (6.3 million) of all California Children suffer needlessly from poor Oral Health by the time they reach 3rd grade.



The mission of the Surgery Center is:

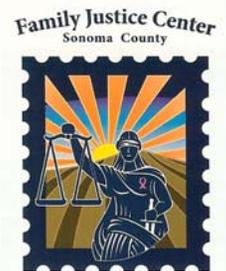
"To maintain a sustainable dentistry resource that will serve the low income children of Northern California who need safe sedation for dental treatment, and to provide prevention education and promote oral health."

Funding for the \$2.1 Million budget is provided by MediCal (80%), private insurance (1%), private donations (7%), Grants (4%) and event revenue (6%).

Michael Rinn, Eagle Scout Candidate was also a guest at the July 2 meeting. Michael's Eagle Scout project is the construction of display barriers for the Healdsburg Museum. The barriers consist of approximately 3' by 5' wood framed acrylic panels to protect some of the most valuable displays such as Indian baskets and other older artifacts. Healdsburg Lumber donated the wood for Michael's project and he obtained a substantial discount for the acrylic material, but still needed \$400 to complete the project. A quorum of Board members present voted to grant the \$400 so Michael can complete the project before his approaching 18th birthday.

Gloria Eurotas, Family Justice Center Sonoma County

Gloria Eurotas, Executive Director of the Family Justice Center Sonoma County gave an informative presentation at the July 9 meeting about the service provided by the Family Justice Center. The Center is a non-profit organization operating on a shared leadership model with the County District Attorney's office, and other county agencies. The mission statement is as follows:



"The Family Justice Center Sonoma County empowers family violence victims to live free from violence and abuse by providing comprehensive services, centered on and around the victim through a single point of access. Building on strong interagency collaboration, we protect the vulnerable, stop the violence and restore hope."

The center is committed to assisting victims and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, elder abuse, child abuse, sexual assault, and stalking.

Laura Colgate -Council on Aging-Meals on Wheels

The mission of the Council on Aging-Meals on Wheels program is to provide national leadership to end senior hunger. Laura Colgate, Director of Nutrition Services of the Meals on Wheels program in Sonoma County described her duties and the functioning of the program at our July 16 meeting.



The program has a staff of 32 and about 150 volunteers. All meals are prepared in the Santa Rosa kitchen and distributed by truck to various dining sites such as the Healdsburg Senior Center and to the many housebound individuals. There are over 50 delivery routes in the County delivering 1500 meals. About 260,000 meals were delivered during the past year including 1200 per month in the Healdsburg area.

President Loretta Strong – Kiwanis International Convention

Loretta and Jerry Strong and Dennis Stead were among the 4200 from all over the world at the 98th International convention in Vancouver, Canada. Loretta was the featured speaker at the July 23 evening meeting and described some of the highlights of the convention. For those who are not regulars at the evening meetings, Loretta will repeat the presentation at the August 6 daytime meeting.

Ronit Rubinoff – Legal Aid of Sonoma County

Ronit Rubinoff, Executive Director, spoke at the July 30 meeting about the services provided by Legal Aid of Sonoma County. Legal Aid's mission is to help at risk children and families obtain safety and shelter using the legal system to secure basic human rights, protect children from abuse and help families maintain housing.



With the Agency's SAFE Program adult victims of domestic violence and children are given legal advice and protective orders which keep them safe and sheltered. In the Child Abuse Prevention Program,

Legal Aid helps abused and neglected children to stabilize in loving homes outside the foster care system.

Ms. Rubinoff stated that "Legal intervention can change a life" and provided a moving example: Ashley spent the first 6 months of her life living in a car followed by a series of drug houses. She had never seen a doctor, was anemic and undernourished and completely isolated with no playmates. Ashley's grandparents appealed for assistance and Legal Aid after a one year process was able to obtain guardianship for the grandparents. Ashley has thrived and has gained a family and has a new life.

Brandt's Beach BBQ - Sat. Aug. 24, 2013

By Dick Bugarske

Hello all,

Our annual Admin. "Fun"d raiser is less than a month away and we are getting prepared for another evening filled with great food, excellent company, exciting auctions, and merriment. Our planning crew of Denny Stead, Ken Scharer, David Scharer, Jack Brandt, Sue Sheehy, Mark Zimmerman, Ron Puccioni, Lucy Lewand, and Patti Robarts (to name a few) are getting prepared for a wonderful event at the historic Brandt's Beach picnic site. Here is what you can do:



2010 BBQ Kitchen Crew

1. Sign-up and get your reservations in now.

The cost is \$25 per person again this year for hors d'oeuvres, drinks, steak or chicken, salad, corn, chili, bread, and desert. We are taking reservations with payment before the BBQ so don't delay. You can pay with a check, pay online with a credit card, or send in a reservation form, also paying with a credit card. Since we include other Kiwanians and other family members and we have only 120 seats, if we sell out, there may be no walk-up tickets. Don't delay!!

2. Donate to the silent or live auction.

Let me know if you have something you would like to donate. We have talked to a number of folks who are donating and the list is growing. Don't be left out of our growing list.

3. Let us know if you want to help.

We can always use some help. We will be posting the folks involved in the next week. Make sure your name is on the list.

See you in August!!

Show Me the Money II – Ron Wins Again!



March



July

The game starts with 9 black and 1 red checker in the black bag. The holder of the winning ticket draws a checker from the bag. If it is red he/she wins the jackpot. If black, the checker is not returned to the bag and the jackpot grows. The following week there are 8 black and 1 red. This procedure is followed until the red checker is finally drawn. The probability of all nine black checkers being drawn before the red one appears is about 1 in 3.6 million. Incredibly, this has occurred twice in a row and three times in the short history of Judy's Lotto. Judy denies any slight of hand or other funny business.

More incredibly, Ron Puccioni was again the winner at the July 16 meeting. The jackpot had grown to \$970. The jackpot is shared 50/50 between the winner and the club administration fund.

Dennis Stead Wins Prize



Dennis Stead Won the Prize for Best Joke at the KI Convention

"One night there were two Kiwanians coming OUT of a bar.....well it could happen!" That's it? How could such a lame joke win any prize? Maybe because he looks like a clown.



Willits Kiwanis President Matt Roundtree (Center) With Patti Robards, Susan Sheehy, Dee Whitehall And Sharon Gallagher At The Willits Interclub Meeting On Monday July 8th, 2013

\$\$ Happy/Sad \$\$

Roger Dormire sad that he missed the Relay for Life and got dumped as chair of the pancake breakfast committee. Phil Luks is taking over.

Jerry Strong sad to have 10 stitches in his foot.

Jim Silveira Happy that remodeling is going well.

Dick Bugarske happy to see his electric meter going backwards.

Patti Robarts happy to welcome Dorothy and Rick to the club

Jan Gianni happy for Loretta's presentation about the Convention. Jan nominates Loretta for the Go-Getter Award.

Hunt Conrad happy to survive a crash with his bicycle. He suffered broken ribs and was taken to Healdsburg Hospital emergency room to have his lung expanded and then to Kaiser for further treatment. The bike was totaled.

Patti Robarts sad that she hugged Hunt before she knew about the accident.

Arnold Santucci happy that he and Vi celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Lucy Lewand looking forward to participating in Dancing with the Stars at the Raven.

Special Birthdays



Special Birthday for Jim Schmidt
He asked all the golfers to sing to him



Susan Sheehy with Granddaughter Lilly and Neal Bertrand Lilly's Parents in the Background

A special birthday song for Lilly, age 1 from the oldest member present, Neal, age 81.

COME JOIN US FOR SOME

FUN, FOOD, GOLF & BEVERAGES

WHILE SUPPORTING THE HEALDSBURG KIWANIS AT THE:

5th ANNUAL

1pm SHOTGUN START

Windsor Golf Club
SEPTEMBER 18th 2013

HEALDSBURG KIWANIS SERVICE CLUB CHALLENGE GOLF TOURNAMENT

This Challenge Tournament is open to all service clubs and the people who help support them. Individuals are encouraged to participate.
(with less than 4 players signing up, we will set you up in a foursome).

Lot's of PRIZES

Entry Forms & Information
Hunt Conrad @ 431.9715 OR Dan Gianni @ 431.1650

ONLY \$125 PP

Includes: Golf, Carts, Range Balls, Tee Gift, Beer & Wine and this year we will be serving dinner as well as a BBQ lunch on the course.
COST: \$125/pp (\$115/pp for sign-ups prior to 9-1-2012)

Help support community services in Sonoma County!

Net proceeds to benefit the Healdsburg Kiwanis Administrative Fund

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