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of Healdsburg



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Three club representatives attend the 100th Kiwanis International Convention



Comments by Susan Sheehy

Jan, Loretta and I attended the 100th Kiwanis International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on June 25-28th. There were around 5000 attendants from all over the world. In the picture I am standing in front of a huge globe in the Kiwanis Pavilion. On Thursday I attended many 25 minute workshops which included "How to reinvent your club", "How to make your meetings fun," and "How to change your club in one minute". We'll see how I do in putting what I learned into practice. It was very inspiring!

Jan, Loretta and Susan will present their reflections on the convention at our regular meeting on August 12.



Calendar

Meeting Dates:

Aug. 4: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex,

Aug. 11: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Susan Sheehy, Jan Gianni, Loretta Strong - Reflections on International Convention

Aug. 18: No Regular Meeting, instead:

Aug. 19: Evening Meeting 5:30-7:00 in Villa Annex. Chamber of Commerce Mixer celebrating Kiwanis 100th anniversary

Aug. 20: Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza

Aug 22: Brandt's Beach BBQ

Aug. 25: No Evening Meeting Replaced by Brandt's Beach BBQ

Other August Dates

Aug 12: Golf tournament, Tayman Park

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex 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 Dan or Jan Gianni, Co-Presidents at 836-1615, or 431-1650, 536-8286 (cells) or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8055

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Happy Birthday

Phil Luks – August 3
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Ken Scharer – August 6
Susan Sheehy – August 17
Jesse Whitely - August 19
Rick Anixter - August 19
Chase Conley – August 22

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Jeff DeZurik - 8-4-09
Diana Blakeley – 8-6-13
Chase Conley – 8-6-13
David Jones - 8-8-06
Vince Ciolino - 8-27-02
Lockie Gillies - 8-28-12 (5-14-02)

The President's Message

Hello Fellow Kiwi's

Well we're halfway through the summer and it's been pretty busy but this month is even busier.

We finished the month of July with an unusual night meeting at John and Zekes where we were entertained by three local comedians. It was a meeting with lots of laughs and plenty of alcohol. As a member of 20 years, I can't say I've ever been to a meeting like that.

On August 12th we will be at Tayman Golf Course with our 6th annual golf tournament. The tournament starts with a lunch and finishes with a barbeque dinner by Patti with 18 holes of golf in-between. Any member who would like to join us for dinner is invited (\$25). It's always fun. so please come if you can. As a reminder, we're always looking for tee sponsors so please contact Roger if you would like your business highlighted at the course. Remember, the golf tournament goes into our admin fund to keep your membership dues as low as possible.

On August 19th (Wednesday) we will be celebrating the Kiwanis 100 year anniversary by hosting the Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce at the villa from 5 to 7PM. With our members, we expect to have about 100 people there and will be serving appetizers and wine. This function will replace our regular Tuesday lunch meeting. Please remember to wear your NEW Kiwanis t-shirts to the event.

On August 22nd (Saturday) we will be doing our annual Brandt's Beach Barbeque. This is always a great event and will be serving some great New York steaks and all the fixings. So make sure you sign up when the sign-up sheet comes thru. We will have a silent and live auction as well so if you can donate anything for either auction, talk with Denny. This event will replace our monthly evening meeting for August.

Well, I think pretty much covers the month so remember to send me a postcard if you travel.

Dan



The Convention attendees Jan, Loretta and Susan
at the ball game in Indianapolis

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from notes minutes by Jan Gianni

The following are actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting on Thursday July 16, 2015:

Approved grant requests and expenditures

No grant requests were received in July and no other expenditures were approved.

Other discussion and action

- The Kids' Athletic Fields Re-sodding Project is on hold. We are waiting for more information.
- Dick Bugarske reported that the BBQ re-construction at the Villa is moving along and updates will be forthcoming in future meetings.
- Jerry and Loretta Strong are working with the Healdsburg Museum's Jim Driesback to coordinate a work-date to participate in maintenance and upkeep of the Healdsburg Cemetery's old section.
- After many years of no increase for the Pancake Breakfast ticket prices, the Board voted to raise prices to \$9 for adults and \$5 for children.
- We are working on a full-page ad in the Tribune for celebrating our upcoming Chamber of Commerce Mixer and 100 years of Kiwanis.
- The Board urges all members to attend the Chamber Mixer with spouses to show off our Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, 8/19, at 5:00 PM.

Club Officers Elected

The following slate of officers for 2015/2016 was elected by acclamation during the July 21 meeting. Their terms will begin on October 1, 2015:

President – Susan Sheehy
Vice President – Randy Collins
Secretary – Liz Bippart
Projects Treasurer – Ron Doble
Membership Treasurer – Brian Wells*
Past President Dan Gianni/Jan Gianni

* Continuing

Board of Directors, One Year Term

Debi Doble
Andy Smith
Chase Conley
George Diebold

Board of Directors, Two Year Term

Rick Anixter
Rich Thomas
Rick Norman
Leroy Steck

Thanks to Lee Gunnerson and the nominating committee for putting together this excellent slate.

Meeting Programs

June 30: Roger Olson with the Pacific Coast Air Museum

Founded in 1989, the Pacific Coast Air Museum is a non-profit organization whose mission is to educate and inspire both young and old about our aviation heritage and space technology, to preserve historic aircraft and artifacts, and to Honor veterans.



July 7: Greg Wilcox - Replacing Park Turf.

Greg, a native of Wisconsin, recently moved to Healdsburg and immediately became involved in a variety of community service activities, focusing mostly on youth with Little League in particular.



Greg's talk on July 7 focused on a critical youth issue: the shortage of ball fields and the poor condition of those we have in Healdsburg. Rec Park and the high school field are the only fields for youth sports, and both, being heavily used, are worn out. The local little league consists of 18 teams with a total of over 200 kids. With the little league, the Prune Packers, and other groups using the field, Rec Park is being very heavily used and the playing surface is in very poor condition.

A committee, lead by Little League leaders, has been formed and they have developed a plan to resurface both the high school and Rec Park fields. Delta Bluegrass Company has been contracted to do the work, which will begin on August 3. The work will consist of total removal of the existing turf, soil preparation and planting new bluegrass. Bluegrass is used on most professional ball fields and is greatly superior to the Bermuda grass now on the fields. It needs about 40% less water, a great benefit in today's drought conditions. The City has little budget for maintenance and the Little League is leading the money raising effort to fund the work. The budget is \$70,000 and the fund is currently about \$15,000 short.

July 14: - Computer Studies at Santa Rosa Junior College

Donald Laird,
Computer Studies
Department Chair, our guest



speaker on July 14, presented a summary of the department's offerings and described the current status of computer studies at SRJC and public outreach programs.

SRJC's Computer Studies Department offers a diverse sound foundation of knowledge and problem-solving skills in computer studies that can lead to valuable career certificates, academic degrees, university transfer, and lifelong learning. Instructors provide over 90 of the most current courses and programs in Computer Basics, Computer Science & Programming, Web, Office Applications, Graphics & Multimedia, Graphic Design, and Information Technology (IT).

The Department is presently in an expanding mode following some hard times during the recent recession when JC enrollment dropped from 40,000 students to 25,000, budget cuts and loss of faculty. The recent bond issue for infrastructure improvement and improvements in the budget situation have fueled the expansion. The Department is actually reaching out to high schools to recruit students. An outreach program has been established to solicit input from local businesses and find their needs for new employee skills. Using this input, curriculum will be updated to assist students in their career development.

For additional information visit:

www.santarosa.edu/instruction/instructional_departments/computer-studies

July 21: Farm to Pantry, Melita Love and Danny Wilcox

Farm to Pantry is a volunteer organization dedicated to providing fresh, healthy and affordable food to everyone. Their mission: "Farm to Pantry believes that healthy food nurtures a healthy community. We are committed to developing and supporting local, sustainable programs that provide fresh, affordable food to all members of the community."



Since their beginning in 2008, Farm to Pantry has gleaned over 90 tons of fresh produce – apples, beets, cabbage, cucumbers, figs, greens, grapefruit, kiwis, lemons, onions, pears, peppers, persimmons (fuyu and hachiya), pineapple guavas, plums, potatoes, pumpkins, oranges, radicchio, squash, tomatoes, turnips, walnuts, and, of course, zucchini – all grown in Sonoma County! That is over 180,000 pounds or 720,000 servings of healthy produce nourishing people instead of going to waste.

Fifty percent of the produce is given to the Food Pantry, with the remaining distributed to 10 other programs serving youth, including Boys and Girls Clubs, after school programs and day camps.

For additional information visit:
www.farmtopantry.org

July 28: Evening Meeting "Comedy Night" held at John and Zeke's.

The July evening meeting was held in the back room of our favorite watering hole. John and Zeke's. After refreshments and a very short business meeting, a three man tag team of stand-up comedians took the stage. The jokes were rapid fire and triggered high hilarity in the room.



The comedy team
James Rohan, Juan Carlos and Steve Osborne

Thoughts for the day

Mario Lucchesi is on a crusade to have thoughts for the day home spun. That is original thoughts of the presenter, not something someone else thought. His offerings:

1. Thoughts while reading news about election: Why are politicians like automobiles? Both run, never walk, both need upkeep to run, one uses gas and the other emits it.
2. While shopping at supermarket: Women who wear jeans should have good hindsight.

Annual Brandt's Beach BBQ

Bidders and eaters are needed for the silent and live auctions at the Brandt's Beach steak BBQ on Saturday, August 22. \$25 per person. Bid on these live auction items and more:

- Chili & Ribs for 15
- Abalone Dinner for 12
- Bodega Bay Vacation Home
- Pig Roast Dinner for 20
- \$500 Tree Trim
- Dinner and Overnight at Les Mars Hotel
- 4 Giant's Club House Tickets.

Denny Stead is still seeking additional live and silent auction items. Search under your bed and in your closets!

Interclubs

Sonoma July 8



**Cindy Schwartz, Sonoma Kiwanis President
Barbara Cullen, Susan Sheehy, Sharon
Gallagher, Neal Bertrand and Dee Whitehall**

Willits July 13



**Willits president Matt Roundtree, Susan Sheehy,
Jan Gianni, Neal Bertrand, Liz Bippart, and
Willits Kiwanian Tom Peterson**

Remaining interclub visits to complete the round robin for the year include Clear Lake and the elusive Cotati. Todd Brandt is organizing a Clear Lake interclub visit along with a golf outing. The Fort Bragg club has been disbanded.

Member Recognition

During July, President Jan Gianni recognized the individuals pictured below for their outstanding contributions and work on behalf of the club.



Harry Jackson

Newsletter reporter, photographer, editor and more



Phil Luks

Club Secretary – too many years to count

Lytton ARC Thanks Kiwanis



**THANK YOU HEALDSBURG
KIWANIS CLUB**

The future for barbecue and outdoor eating this summer is now looking better than ever. Thanks to another wonderful gift from our Healdsburg Kiwanis Club. The canopy is 40' x 30' and very sturdy.

This is a stationary, permanent canopy that will cover the picnic table from the hot summer sun. Shown here is Marcus L. doing a quick repair on one of the picnic tables.

From Lytton ARC Bulletin

**2015 Healdsburg Kiwanis Club
Golf Tournament**

All Golfers Welcome

Wednesday, August 12th, 2015

@ Healdsburg Golf Club -Tayman

\$75/Person

Dinner Guests Welcome - \$25



Event Schedule:

11:45 AM - 12:50 PM...Registration
1:00 PM.....Shotgun Scramble
**BBQ Lunch will be provided on the course at Check-in so COME EARLY*

Tournament Fee Includes:

- Green fees & driving range
- Cart
- BBQ Lunch & Dinner
- Beverages & Wine

Contacts:

Roger Dormire : (707) 433-9095
Dan Gianni : (707) 431-1650

**Come out and have fun while
supporting an area service club!!!**

Get form and payment to Dan Gianni or mail to :
Please reply prior to August 5, 2015

Healdsburg Kiwanis:
PO Box 1156
Healdsburg, CA 95448
**Make checks Payable to Healdsburg Kiwanis*

	Player 1	Player 2	Player 3	Player 4
First Name:				
Last Name:				
Address 1:				
Address 2:				
City:				
Zip Code:				
Handicap/Index (or avg. score):				

Net proceeds to benefit the Healdsburg Kiwanis Administration Fund

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\$\$Happy/Sad\$\$

George Clough happy that the Healdsburg Police Department averted a break-in of his truck parked by his house.

Randy Collins sad not to make it to Annapolis in the bike relay (see "Postcards" below).

Harry Jackson happy to make \$1,000 from the city's lawn conversion program. He has a lawnmower for sale, but the market is poor.

Curt Hahn happy to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the moon landing.

Roger Dormire happy for the produce collected by the Food to Pantry gleaners. 99% goes to people.

Susan Sheehy happy for granddaughter Lilly's 3rd birthday.

Postcards

Randy Collins – Oceanside, CA. Randy participated in a planned 9 day bicycle relay from Oceanside CA to Annapolis MD benefitting stomach cancer research. Unfortunately, because of the extreme unbearable heat through the southern California and Arizona deserts, the trip was aborted in Prescott, AZ.

Dan Maraviglia – Burney Falls

Judy Everett – Madison Indiana.

Liz Bippart – Croatia (in the mail)