Another Successful Year at the FFA Fair Food Trailer

The Food Trailer Ready for Business

Sales at the FFA food booth were brisk at the FFA fair this year with the usual Thursday night chaos. Total gross sales were $9300 and after expenses, net proceeds were about $6000. This compares with last year’s net of $8957. The decreased sales is attributed to competition from the new Wurst booth that was also selling garlic fries and two other corn dog vendors.

The event went very smoothly due to the planning under the direction of committee chair Dennis Stead. Denny was out of town for a wedding during the event and the food preparation and sales also went very smoothly under the able direction of co-chair Ken Scharer. Thanks to all the hard working members who performed all the necessary tasks; including shopping, setup, cooking, running food between cooks and sales staff, sales, and cleanup.

Calendar

Meeting Dates:

June 3: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Safe School Ambassadors - Rick Phillips, Founder
June 10: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Kyle Clausen - Director of Marketing and Communications Wells Fargo Center for the Arts
June 17: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Dr. Larry Machi, Fulbright Scholar for Taiwan University
June 19: Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza
June 24: Evening Meeting 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex. Adriana Stagnaro, Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority

Other June Dates:

June 1: Kiwanis Governor’s Visit, Fountaingrove Inn, 1 pm.
June 6 & 7: Relay for Life
June 8: Fitch Mt. Foot Race

Future Dates:

Aug. ?: Mid-Year Convention in San Diego
Aug 23: Brant’s Beach BBQ.

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, 7:00PM Meeting.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Richard Bugarske, President at 433-1771, 540-1237 (cell) or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8055

Kiwanis ---- Serving the Children of the world
The President’s Message

The Hearts and Souls of Healdsburg Kiwanis

So let’s say that we have 90 members and half of them average about 5 hours of service a year and at $10 an hour, the value of their work equals $2,250. Of the remaining 45 members, 25 of them average 30 hours of service a year, and at $10 an hour, the value of their work equals $7,500. The remaining 20 members average 100 hours of service a year, and at $10 an hour, the value of their work equals $20,000. So with basic labor costs of $29,950, our Club is able to give back to the community close to $55,000 each year.

Of course nobody gets paid; $10 an hour is pretty cheap for the quality of service rendered; the value of the service is not tax deductible; and how does one even begin to really measure the actual hours that members give. So we leave our egos at the door, roll up our sleeves, and take on jobs that we know we can accomplish, know we enjoy, and know we bring a certain expertise to the task.

Some of our members also take on the leadership of these tasks and projects and each of you deserves a special thank you from us all. Being a committee chair, a project chair instantly adds dozens of hours of planning, meetings, and organizing that quickly consumes hours, days, and with our Christmas tree lot, weeks and months.

So I want to take a moment to thank our committee chairs, our Board members, our leaders: Jim Schmidt, Jan Gianni, Harry Jackson, Denny Stead, Steve Jones, Lee Gunnerson, Susan Sheehy, Loretta Strong, Bob Taylor, Cindi Brown, Dan Maraviglia, Ken Scharer, Dan Gianni, Hunt Conrad, David Jones, Jerry Strong, Phil Luks, David Scharer, Brian Wells, Roger Dormire, Mark Zimmerman, Judy Everett, Richard Iverson and George Clough.

Our Club works because all of you work and serve not only in the trenches but also in the front lines. Thank you.

You are the hearts and souls of Healdsburg Kiwanis.

Richard Bugarske
Board of Directors April Action
The following are actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting on Thursday May 15, 2014:

The following grant requests and other expenditures were approved:

- Villa Chanticleer Annex 6 month rental payment - $2250. It was noted that the Villa management is under transition to Tayman Park and that certain parameters are in place to assure rental stability.

- The final scholarship amount of $15,500 to ten recipients at Healdsburg High. The Memorial Scholarship Board provided $7,000 and the Club allotted $8,500.

- Distinguished Service Award expense - $150. The award to be presented by President Bugarske at the governor’s visit dinner on June 1st.

- Support for the Giannis and Strongs with $600 to each couple to defray the $1200 cost to attend the August Cal-Nev-Ha convention in San Diego.

- It was noted that the $1,000 grant to the American Legion approved last fall should be remitted as soon as possible.

- It was also noted that Syar Industries had made a matching $5,000 grant for the Middle School chromebooks purchased through HEF.

In other action:

- Financial discussion included a revisited discussion of the two signatures check signing policy which may need revision; and the protocol for reimbursing Project Committee Chairs as quickly as possible when receipts are presented in good order.

- A discussion regarding the Fitch Mountain Footrace included the decision by the Board to allow 5 - 6 Key Clubbers to run the race on a “non-paid” status courtesy of the Club.

May Programs

May 6: Laura Colgate, Council on Aging.
Laura Colgate, the guest speaker on May 6, leads the Council on Aging’s Senior Nutrition Service. The service provides over 260,000 meals annually to seniors in need in the following five programs: Meals on Wheels, Congregate Dining, Adult Day/Senior Social Club Respite Program, Therapeutic Meals, and Weekend Meals. These meals reach our most vulnerable, food insecure seniors. The meals provide one third of the recommended dietary requirements for seniors. For many clients, it is their only meal of the day.

A nutritious diet is the cornerstone to maintaining health and quality of life. A heart-healthy, no added salt, low-fat meal is served to ALL recipients.

The Meals on Wheels program is so much more than just a meal. The program helps seniors stay in their homes, maintaining their independence and happiness. A daily check by a Meals on Wheels driver allows monitoring for potential problems, falls and accidents. As well as, availability and access to other programs operated by Council on Aging including: Social and Financial Services, Legal Services, Care and Case Management, Senior Peer Support and Adult Day Social Programs.

May 13: Loretta Strong - Tales from the Burg.
Once again we were treated with readings from Loretta Strong’s book in progress: “Tales from the Burg”. The first reading described Loretta’s family and early life in Healdsburg and surroundings and included several amusing anecdotes.

Loretta’s father and uncle set off in a canoe across the flooded fields of Alexander Valley to rescue her uncle’s beloved boxer, Rocky, isolated at the ranch during the 1964 flood. Rocky survived the flood and was found astride the roof of his half submerged doghouse miserably wet but otherwise ok.

The second reading described meeting Jerry and their subsequent courtship. Jerry’s first meeting with the family was interesting but Jerry was finally accepted following a hog hunting outing. Jerry protested that he was not dressed for the occasion and he was loaned clothing and equipment, but only had city shoes with slick leather soles. Predictably, during the hunt he lost his footing and slid down into a steep gully. There he came face to face with a hog that he managed to bag. But Jerry’s companions chastised him for shooting the legendary “Uncle Ben”. The story of Uncle Ben is unclear.

Safe School Ambassador Program
Deb Hall, Principal of Healdsburg Junior High School, and four students in the Safe School
Ambassador Program were guests at the May 13 meeting.

Each of the students gave a brief description of their participation in the program and the positive results achieved.

Safe School Ambassador Program
Edgar Antonio, Deb Hall, Principal, Alfredo Flores, Natasha Marsden, Bill Halliday, Vice Principal, and Cecilia Pimintel

Tomorrow's Leaders Today program

Sonja Perez Thanks the Club for Supporting the Program

May 20 HHS Student of the Month Program.

The 2013-2014 Healdsburg High School Students of the Month were honored at the May 20 meeting. As each student was introduced, they introduced accompanying family members and described their personal qualities, academic accomplishments, interests, goals, and predicted their life in 2024. See page 6 for photographs.

In accordance with a long standing agreement, Kiwanis honors male students of the month and the Soroptimist club honors the female students.

May 27: Andy Smith – meetup.com

Our own Andy Smith gave us a live tour of neighbors getting together to learn something, do something, or share something.

From Wikipedia--

"Meetup is an online social networking portal that facilitates offline group meetings in various localities around the world. Meetup allows members to find and join groups unified by a common interest, such as politics, books, games, movies, health, pets, careers or hobbies. Users enter their postal code or their city and the topic they want to meet about, and the website helps them arrange a place and time to meet. Topic listings are also available for users who only enter a location."

Andy demonstrated use of the site to find groups pursuing one of his interests, hiking. The search revealed over thirty groups within 50 miles of Healdsburg that meetup for hiking adventures. For example clicking on “Sonoma County Wanderers” brings up a page with information about the group and their schedule of events. Their next scheduled hike is June 1 – Oat Hill Mines Trail to Holmes Place (Strenuous).

Scholarship Committee
Awards 10 Scholarships

Following interviews of many outstanding Healdsburg High School Students, Our scholarship committee awarded scholarships to the ten students listed below.

The Scholarship Committee committed giving $7,000 this year and the Board approved a maximum of $8,500 from the project fund for a total of $15,500. Each of the students received $2000 except the Committee determined that Oscar Gonzales had a greater need and the Board authorized another $500.
2014 Scholarship Recipients
Emily Desepte
Elisabeth Esquivel
Oscar Gonzalez
Coral Godinez
Cristian Guerrero
Conor McKay
Anna Molina
Jazmin Rodriguez
Esther Unti
Alex Wood

The Parade Brigade
Ten Kiwanis Segway riders and 5 bicyclists along with passengers in Hugo Bauer’s vintage Model A truck had a riotous time with only a few casualties participating in the 2014 FFA parade.

Hugo Bauer’s Vintage Model A Truck, Hugo (with hat) in the Back, Wife Barbara Riding Shotgun

$\$$ Happy/Sad $\$$
Judy Everett happy to have attended spring training in Florida and rooted for her Detroit Tigers. Then off to France for two weeks.

David Jones happy for the new pavement on West Side Road making bicycle riding much more enjoyable (and safe).

Patti Robarts happy that her 12 year old grandson was invited to try out for the Junior Olympics.

Cindi Brown happy to check off an item on her bucket list with a trip to Italy.

LeRoy Speck happy to recall fishing on the Russian River in 1940 when catching only two fish a day was considered lousy fishing.

Loretta Strong happy that son Jordy is finally graduating from Chico State

Kurt Hahn happy that four members of his family are graduating this year.

Susan Sheehy happy to be back after touring Greece and France.
2014 Students of the Month

Aug. – Ivan Thorpe
Sep. – Will Smith
Oct. – Jose Gutierrez
Nov. – Jose Guzman
Dec. – Chris O’Connor
Jan. – Robert Wilcox
Feb. – Lukas Lohden
Mar. – Conor McKay
Apr. – Scott Reynolds
May – Michael Zeiger

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