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Governor's Visit at Robert Young Vineyards



Healdsburg Kiwanis President Vern Losh presents Distinguished Service Award to Jim Schmidt with Governor Joni Ackerman

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club hosted the annual governor's visit this year at Robert Young Vineyards on Saturday April 21. Joni Ackerman, 2017-2018 California, Nevada-Hawaii District Governor welcomed representatives of twelve Kiwanis clubs of District 32. The 122 members and guests in attendance enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon in a Hawaiian themed bash at the stunning site provided at the courtesy of Susan Sheehy. Many thanks to Susan and for the support of Key Club members who all made the event a great success.

A significant feature of the afternoon was the presentation of Distinguished Service Awards. Presidents of each of the clubs nominate a member of their club for recognition of exceptional service to the club or community. Our club's award went to Jim Schmidt, who is recognized for his behind the scenes work as chair of the House and Reception Committee and his craftsmanship in creating furnishings and artwork for our events.



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First Dude Project

Governor Joni Ackerman's husband, First Dude Greg Ronkainen's project is to "assist, promote and encourage involvement with our District's Aktion Clubs."

His focus is to raise funds to assist in establishing more Aktion Clubs and "encouraging greater interaction between our Circle K members, our Kiwanis Clubs and our Aktion Clubs." Aktion Clubs are service clubs for adults with disabilities, with more than 12,000 members worldwide. They draw members from various organizations that support individuals with disabilities, as well as other community programs.

Calendar

Meeting Dates:

May 1: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex -Paul Schumacher - Vol. Opportunities at SR Memorial Hospital.

May 8: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. – Dana Grande - Healdsburg Education Foundation.

May 15: Julia Agee and Tony Fisher - Healdsburg Senior Living's Communiversity.

May 15: Board of Directors meeting, 5:30 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

May 22: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. - HHS Students of the Month Celebration.

May 29: Evening Meeting at Villa Annex. 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting - - Local History Night at Healdsburg Museum 5:30-7 pm

Other May Dates

May 24: FFA Parade.

May 24 - 26: FFA Fair.

Save the Date

Jun 10: Fitch Mountain Foot Race

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 Vern Losh, President at 540-2929 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314

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Happy Birthday

Brian Wells- May 2 Jason Boaz – May 2 Jim Silveira – May 10 Bob Santucci – May 19

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Rita Loskill: 5-3-16 Don Marshall: 5-14-04 Lindsay Wurlitzer: 5-15-79 Loretta Strong: 5-16-06 George Diebold: 5-25-04

The President's Message

The Governor!

What a great time at the Governors reception and visit last month at the world-famous Robert Young Estate Winery. It was a perfect day and a perfect site to have it. A huge THANK YOU to our own Susan Sheehy for letting us use her families beautiful setting for this important event. Her father Robert and a long time Healdsburg Kiwanis member was looking down on all of us with a huge smile.

It was an honor during the Governors visit to give a big thank you to one of our own members. Our club was able to present Jim Schmidt with a Distinguished Service Award. Jim is just one of those members that we have come to rely on for many things that makes our club tick. He is always there when we need something. It might be the weekly setting up and cleaning up the meeting location or using his fantastic wood working skills to help us raise money. There is another example of his contributions to our club that all of you will see soon at the Fitch Mountain Footrace, June 10th. I'll keep it a secret for now.

Mark your calendars for Saturday September 22nd. Our second annual Children's Safety Fair will be happening again. This is what we are about, doing things that directly benefit Kids in our community. Susan is putting together a crew and the necessary financial help to make this a great event. When she comes knocking don't say no to the Kids!

On a personal note that job I took on, as an interim Fire Chief in Salida near Modesto will be ending this month. I can get back and give my full attention to all of my local commitments like our club. But first I will be headed to Salt Lake City to see my Daughter graduate with double masters in Public Health and Business Administration from the University of Utah. I will also be giving a lot of attention to my Grandson Finley while I am there too.

And don't forget the FFA parade and Fair. Gotta get those bikes warmed up for the parade on Thursday May 24th, followed by garlic fries and hot dogs at our booth.

See you soon and thanks for all that you do for our Kids.

Play Ball!

Vern



Susan shows the Fitch Mountain Foot Race tee shirt design

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the March 2018 Board meeting:

Grants/Donations

- Boys & Girls Club \$1,000 for 1 child to attend their summer camp program. The program serves 160 Healdsburg children.
- HHS Baseball \$300 for general expenses of field maintenance, snack bar startup, and end of season awards and banquet.
- Graduation Celebration \$1,000 for bus transportation to the event site.
- Malia Llerena, HHS sophomore \$150 to support her attendance at the Washington Youth Summit on the Environment this summer.
- Student of the Month Mugs funds to cover expenses for the "Student of the Month Celebration" on May 22nd.
- Healdsburg Senior Living \$100 for support for "Communiversity", an intergenerational program that teaches empathy and fosters connection between youth and elders.
- FirstGen College Counseling and Corazon Healdsburg - \$500 toward helping prepare 33 HHS students to become the first in their families to complete college through one-on-one support of the entire college application process including SAT prep.

Money Matters

- Admin Fund: current balance \$2,600. 'Limping along' toward the Brandt's Beach bar-b-que and Hall of Fame that will bring needed funds prior to the annual Kiwanis International dues bill in November.
- A former member, now deceased, made a \$10,000 gift to our club some years ago. The legality of moving the \$10,000 from the Project Fund to the Admin Fund has been under investigation. Kiwanis International has advised that a simple journal entry detailing the action would be sufficient. A motion to transfer \$10,000 from the project fund to the admin. Fund was approved.

Project Fund:

 Proceeds from Pancake Day will be \$8,000 to \$9,000 including about \$4,000 from ad revenue.
 Several members still owe \$100 for their tickets.

President's Report

• This year we have four Vice Presidents (Dick Bugarske, Jan Gianni, Susan Sheehy and Loretta Strong) who are all former presidents. Next year the President's responsibility will be covered by one of them each quarter. During Randy Collins' leave of absence, Susan Sheehy will cover his Board position as past president. Rita Loskill recently resigned. Her Board position will be covered by Jan Gianni. A motion to allow Jan and Susan to cover these Board positions through September 30, 2018 passed.

Other Business

- Anna Grant's application for membership was approved. She will become a member on May 1st.
- Randy Collins' request for a LOA until the end of 2018 was approved.
- Rita Loskill membership resignation was approved. She has decided to resign due to demands on her time elsewhere.

Meeting Programs

April 3: Susan Esquivel & Karen Klick - HHS Graduation Celebration



Susanne Esquivel and Karen Klick, guests at our April 3 meeting discussed this year's Healdsburg High School Graduation Night Event. The party is now in its 26th year and has always been a very well attended and successful event.

The event has been held at the Rohnert Park Driven Raceway for a number of years, but a significant amount of funding has been lost and a lower cost venue was found. Following the ceremony, the grads will board buses that will take them to Alameda where they will board Commodore Cruise's Chardonnay for the Champaign Cruise on San Francisco Bay. Sorry, no Chardonnay, no Champaign. The 4-hour cruise will include dancing on the top deck with a Commodore DJ, Fiesta Taco Station, Little Italy Pasta Station, sodas, juices and assorted desserts.

About 100 out of a graduating class of 125 are expected to attend.

Our club has been providing funds for the transportation (2-3 buses) for several years.

April 10: Corozón Healdsburg

Ariel Kelley, Board Chair, in a very informative presentation discussed the organization's mission and the various programs provided to the community by Corozón Healdsburg.



"Corazon Healdsburg's mission is to bridge the racial and cultural divide in Healdsburg. Corazon offers programs to improve health and wellbeing for all who live and work in Healdsburg through innovative partnerships and community driven programming. Working with youth and their families, Corazon aims to break cycles of poverty and improve quality of life for those we serve."

Corazon's three pillars are:

- Comunidad: Cultural events for community members.
- La Voz: Raising the Latino voice.
- El Centro: Family Resource Center

Ariel discussed several of Corazon's community driven programs including:

- Adult Education Classes in partnership with SRJC, focus on increasing English fluency and educational attainment.
- Moms to Moms prenatal education to help expecting mothers prepare for parenthood while bringing together members of the community.
- Firstgen College Counseling prepares historically underserved HHS students to become the first in their families to complete college through one-on-one support of the college application process.
- Financial Literacy Workshops to help residents increase their skills and knowledge to allow them to make informed decisions with their financial resources.
- Healdsburg Kinder2College Fund encourages families to save towards post-secondary education with matched investment from the community.

https://corazonhealdsburg.org

April 17: Dick Bugarske – Healdsburg Prune Packers: Then and now

Dick Bugarske filled in for the April 17 noshow speaker with an update of Prune Packer history, the recent Packer rebirth and the current team.

In September 1845, a group of New York City men founded the New Your Knickerbocker Baseball Club. One of them, firefighter and bank clerk Alexander Cartwright – would clarify a new set of rules that would form the basis for modern baseball, calling for a diamond-shaped infield, foul

lines and the three-strike rule. He also abolished the dangerous practice of tagging runners by throwing balls at them.

Dick shared several local newspaper clippings describing baseball in the early 20^{th} century.

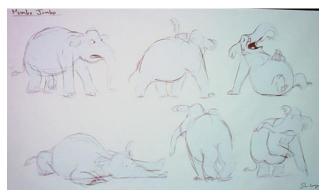
"Healdsburg opened the 1921 baseball season on Sunday by defeating the Nuco Butters of San Francisco 8 to 7. Thus did the team get off to an auspicious start before and immense crowd of fans and fannies, who crowded the new grandstand to overflowing, ranged along he wire that extends down the third base line, and flowed over along the fence reaching down the first base line to the score board." – Healdsburg Tribune, Enterprise and Scimitar, May 19, 1921.

The 2017 Prune Packers had a successful season with a 35-15 record and were the CCL Runner-Up. Ten of the players on the roster were major league draft picks.

April 24: Evening Meeting - Sterling Sheehy - Lucas Films

Susan Sheehy introduced us to her son Sterling Sheehy who spoke about his work as a professional story board artist for Lucas Films.

Sterling described his job as being like the architect/engineer relationship where the story board artist (engineer) takes the script writer's (architect's) ideas and turns them into a workable animated sequence. The work involves creating numerous sketches of the characters and actions in the story that will be the basis of what the viewers will finally see on the screen. Sterling describes himself as being "fluent in visual writing."



Sketches for Mumbo Jumbo



Susan and Sterling

Interclubs

March 31 - Petaluma Oyster Feed and DCM



Terry Kemp, Denny Stead, Patti Robarts, Rick Wood, Susan Sheehy

April 5 - Oakmont



Bob Santucci, Terry Kemp, Susan Sheehy, John Bippart

HHS Key Clubbers participate in SDAT

Healdsburg is one of a handful of cities across the U.S. awarded a 2018 Sustainable Design Assessment Team (SDAT), part of an American Institute of Architects (AIA)

program to help communities develop a vision for a sustainable future and create a realistic and attainable roadmap to get there.

On April 18 the Key Club welcomed Tim Unger and Todd Everett from the SDAT Steering Committee and the 8 students, (Emma, Liam, Lindsey, Natalie, Alex, Gio, Yasmin, and Samantha) who met with the team and other community members on Tuesday, were able to share their experiences at the meeting. A rich exchange and all felt very positive about more involvement in the future.



Key Club members participate in initial SDAT meeting

MVP of the Month



April MVP Jim Schmidt (on opening day)

March – Jerry Strong February - Dick Bugarske January – Harry Jackson December – Denny Stead November – Liz Bippart



The Pancake Breakfast managers, Susan Sheehy, Jan Gianni, Loretta Strong

A Work Day at the Cemetery

As part of the ongoing clean-up and restoration of the historic, non-endowed section of Oak Mound Cemetery sponsored by the Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society, our club has volunteered to take on the ongoing maintenance of an assigned portion of the historic section.

On Friday April 13 a hardy crew of 6 Kiwanians and 3 helpers, spent the morning grass cutting, weed whacking, raking, and performing other necessary maintenance.





Jerry, Roger and Susan hard at work





Patti with her family: son Ray Robarts, grandson Brock and Granddaughter Bridget Ann visiting from Murrietta Springs Ca.

\$\$ Happy/Sad \$\$

Patti Robarts happy to have family guests at meeting. Happy for Darlene and Rowdy helping out since Juanita was not available for the April 3 lunch. Sad that Juanita will be on medical leave for six weeks.

Roger Dormire happy that three girls did a great job managing the pancake breakfast in spite of Denny trying to take over.

Jerry Strong happy that Nancy and Liz are doing such a great job organizing the Fitch Mt. Foot Race.

Denny Stead happy for his son Eddie's visit from his home on Kirks and Caicos. Sad that the practice of driving on the left on Kirks and Caicos cost \$9000 in repair bills.

Postcards

Rich Thomas - Ohio

Governor's Visit Photographs























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Kiwanis Ladies Night hosted by Liz Bippart April 18



Anna, Loretta, Terry, Jan, Cindy, Liz



Liz and Anita prepare blueberry-basil margaritas

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Look who crashed the party? He has sworn to secrecy!