

THE BUILDER

KIWANIS CLUB

of Healdsburg



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Calendar

Club Welcomes Another New Member



Membership Chair Jan Gianni, President Dick Bugarske, Sponcer John Bippart and Inductee Liz Bippart

With the induction into the club of Elizibeth (Liz) Bippart at the October 22 induction ceremony, the club has another family represented on the roster. Liz was sponsored by her father, John. Liz recently moved to Healdsburg from Estes Park, Colorado. She is a graduate of the University of Washington and is a registered nurse, currently looking for work.



Past President Loretta Strong Presents September Go-Getter Award to Neal Bertrand

Neal Bertrand was awarded the September Go-Getter award in recognition in his participation in many club events including attending four interclubs during the year. The presentation was delayed because Neal could not attend the installation ceremony because of the theft of his car.

Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Charter Day – November 3, 1923

Nov 5: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Greg Carter 2013-14 Lt. Gov. Division 32 California – Nevada - Hawaii District of Kiwanis International.

Nov 12: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. - Deb Hall, Healdsburg Junior High School.

Nov 19: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Joe Norton - PSST

Nov 21: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. Location to be determined

Nov 26: Evening Meeting 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex. Gail Jonas, Mediator & Attorney

Other Events:

Nov. 8 & 9 – Dancing with the Stars benefit for the Raven. Club members participating are Lucy Lewand and Eric Smith.

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

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Happy Birthday

Jack Brandt – Nov. 1
Richard Bugarske – Nov. 2
Richard Iverson – Nov. 2
Jan Gianni – Nov. 7
Jerry Strong – Nov. 10
Hunt Conrad – Nov. 14
Loretta Strong – Nov. 22
Neal Bertrand – Nov. 23
Dan Maraviglia – Nov. 28
Jim Colgan – Nov. 30

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Dennis Gary -11-7-95
Neal Bertrand - 11-8-07
Ron Doble - 11-13-07
Lee Gunnerson -11-14-91
Ron Puccioni - 11-16-10
Jesse Whitely - 11-16-10
Dan Gianni - 11-26-96

The President's Message

By Richard Bugarske

Happy 90th Birthday Healdsburg Kiwanis Club

It was the year 1923. The United States was enjoying prosperous times between World War I and the depression years that were to follow 1929.

It was the year Calvin Coolidge became President and marked the beginning of the Golden '20's, a period in which the United States Government collected more money than it spent and actually paid off some of the national debt.

In early June 1923, two men arrived in Healdsburg with the intention of forming a Kiwanis Club in the community.

Nathan Combs, Napa District Attorney, and Frank Kean, the State Organizer for Kiwanis, had come to tell the story of Kiwanis. Napa had organized a club in 1922, and was anxious to sponsor other clubs in the North Bay area. They met first with Joe Miller, George Imrie, Dr. Julian Wright, and Fred Young.

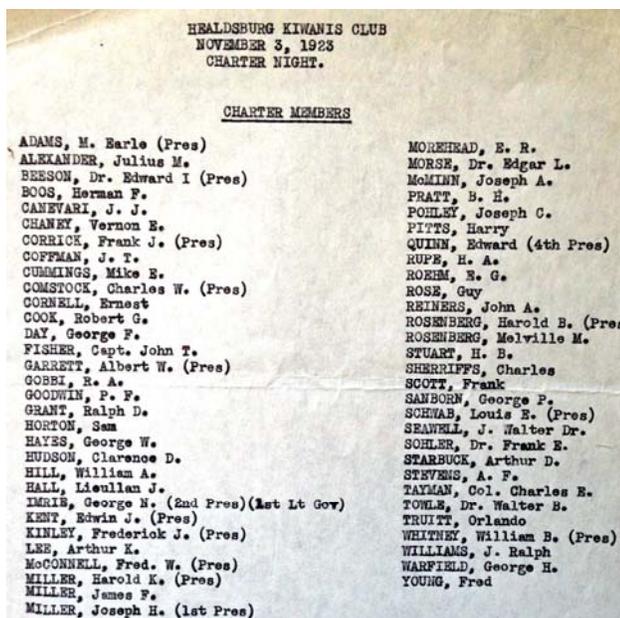
At a later meeting on June 25th at the American Legion Club House there were 15 members of the Napa Kiwanis Club present and the story of Kiwanis again was told to a larger group of local business and professional men.

On June 29th, 1923, a meeting was held and the following permanent officers were elected: Joseph Miller, President, George Imrie, Vice President, Charles Comstock, Secretary, Mike Cummings, District Trustee, and George Hayes, Treasurer.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club was chartered on November 3, 1923 with 60 members. The principal reason for Kiwanis then was to render service to the community and it didn't take long for the Club to get down to real business and begin the legacy of community service.

Meetings were held in the Plaza Hotel dining room during the first year of existence. Meetings were moved to the American Legion Hall in the winter of 1924.

On our 90th birthday, we honor our founders and celebrate the thousands who have made the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club such a great and lasting organization. We look forward to our 100th anniversary in 2023 and many more anniversaries into the future.



Board of Directors October Action

Provided by Treasurer Pete Peterson

The following are actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting on Thursday October 17, 2013.

The following grant requests were approved by the Board:

- Healdsburg Regional Library, Children's Department - \$2,000 approved for specific improvements and additions in both fiction and non-fiction Children's Books: Transportation (cars, trains, tractors, trucks, boats and planes); Animals (Horses and pets) and Dr. Seuss picture books. Some books will be new and others to replace older "well used" books.
- California Assoc. Of Student Councils (CASC) - \$300 approved for ten \$30 "Scholarships for Young Leaders of CASC" for attendance at a CASC Conference. The student Young Leaders are Healdsburgians.
- AAUW - Science Camp for Young Women - \$900 approved for 7th Grade Healdsburg students to attend Science Camp at Stanford University.

In other action a \$1,000 Grant Request to help publish the local Kid Scoop News was tabled for the second time to request more data. Currently the Kid Scoop News is delivered to approx. 20 Healdsburg Elementary school rooms.

The 3rd Grade Dictionaries are on hand and ready for distribution. Treasurer Pete was granted approval to pay the bill. Ten to twenty Key Club members who have received 3rd Grade dictionaries in years past will help with the distribution. Kudos to them!!!

Tabled for further discussion on the selection of deceased members for a Club financed memorial and the amount payable for such memorials.

The Board approved the Tree Lot Committee's request to require:

- Three shift mandatory signups;
- A \$30 Missed Shift fee to help offset cost of hiring replacements;
- Collection and accounting for such Missed Shift fees are the responsibility of the Tree Lot Committee; and
- A list of Shift Non-Available Members for reasons such as health to be developed by the Tree Lot Committee.

Financial Statements Now Available

Treasurer Pete Peterson has completed Club Administrative and Project Funds financial statements

for our fiscal year ending 09/30/2013 and they have been emailed to members.

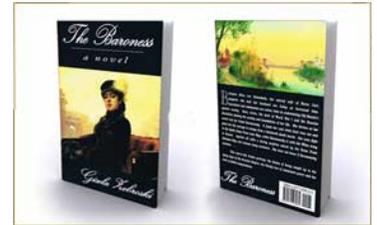
October Programs

Gisela Zebroski - Author of "The Baroness" and "Mephisto Waltz"

Gisela Zebroski spoke at our October 1 meeting about her early life experiences as a refugee in Europe during and following World War II and her career as an author.

Gisela was born in Latvia. At the outbreak of WW II the family was evacuated to Poland but not for long. They fled West when the Soviets broke through the German lines. In Austria she was saved by a British officer who had occupied the Alpine village where they hid out from the bombs. It took nine years before she could get on a boat to America which has been her homeland ever since.

Her Books, "The Baroness" and "Mephisto Waltz" are based on the life experiences of Gisela and her family who were Baltic Germans, an ethnic minority.



"The Baroness" is a historical saga spanning 1914 to 1925. Baroness Elisa, mother of five and wife to an influential Baltic German statesman enjoys the glamour of the Russian Empire - and the thrill of an affair with the dashing Count Baranowsky. But World War I and the rise of communism soon erode her world.

Mephisto Waltz illuminates the different worlds living side by side without taking notice of each other. There is Soviet occupied Germany, Allied occupied Germany, Switzerland and life on an American base in the midst of defeated Germany as compared to New York and Los Angeles.

Dan Maraviglia & Hunt Conrad - Healdsburg Kiwanis Legacy Program

Dan Maraviglia and Hunt Conrad, the speakers at the October 8 meeting described the Healdsburg Memorial Kiwanis Scholarship Fund and the Planned Giving Legacy program. The Fund is a separate 501(c)(3) non-profit entity founded in 1992 and managed by a separate Board of Directors. Members of Healdsburg Kiwanis Club are automatically members of the tax-exempt charity. The Fund is invested in three diversified, conservative, and well-managed funds in a ratio of US Equity stocks to



corporate and municipal bonds of 60% to 40%. The Board makes no individual investment selections. The Board has positioned itself to make available to the Scholarship Committee at least 3% of the last three years rolling average of total assets. The Scholarship Board is governed by the dictates of its governing charter, which allows only income to be paid out for scholarships.

The fund currently has approximately \$275,000 in invested assets. A total of about \$81,000 has been given out in scholarships since 1996.

The scholarship Planned Giving Legacy Program is an excellent way to make a difference and leave a lasting impact by making a bequest. The program is described in a separate flyer inserted in this newsletter.

Shelley Anderson - HHS Internship Program

Our speaker at the October 15 meeting was Shelley Anderson, Coordinator of the Healdsburg High School Internship Program.

The objective of the program is to place the students in the program for a meaningful experience and prepare them for the work world. The program provides mentors for all of the some 160 Healdsburg High School juniors in a meaningful internship assignment with a sponsoring organization. The students complete a career assessment and based on their skills and interests are matched with the best organization and assignment. The students spend five Tuesdays at the sponsor's work site working on meaningful assignments. Students must keep a weekly journal of activities and reflections and at the end of the program deliver a presentation on the assignment, organization and personal experience.



(\$22,000), the K-5 Enrichment Program (\$70,000), K-12 Music and Art (\$40,000), and K-12 Library/ technology (\$100,000).

HEF will be submitting a grant request asking Kiwanis Club support for the Internship and Library/Technology Programs.

Ray Holley – CASA Program

Ray Holley was also a guest at the October 22 meeting. He gave a brief update of the CASA program and presented the club with a new gavel in the form of a large carpenter's claw hammer in appreciation of our support of the CASA Program. The program has grown to three classes this year with a total of 70 students. The senior class is starting another Tiny House. A new instructor, a credentialed teacher highly qualified for the program has been hired.



Ray Holley Presents New "Gavel" to Club

Pamela Swan, Healdsburg Education Foundation

Pamela Swan, executive director of the Healdsburg Education Foundation (HEF) was the guest speaker at the October 22 meeting. Ms. Swan expressed appreciation for past Kiwanis support and noted that our club has contributed about \$70,000 since 2007 in support of various HEF projects such as the lap top computer program, CASA and several others.



HEF goals for this year focus on retaining vital programs, increasing innovation and increasing parent involvement. The programs and funding needs include the Pasitos Project – Early Childhood Education (\$17,000), Parent Involvement fro Quality Education (PIQE) (\$8,000), Accelerated English Language Instruction (\$40,000), the Career Preparation and Leadership Academy (\$7,000), the Internship Program

Jeff Harding and Annie Millar, Healdsburg Unified School District

Jeff Harding, Superintendent of Schools and Annie Millar, Director of Curriculum, guest speakers at the October 29 meeting spoke about improvement and reform of public school education. The mission of the school district is simple: "All students will graduate from our schools well prepared for college, career and Citizenship". Today's students will graduate into a competitive work environment far more demanding than prior generations. Skills needed in today's work world include ability of communicate ideas orally and in writing, solve complex problems, present persuasive arguments, and navigate a complex, data-rich world.



Curriculum is set up with a view to connect schoolwork with the real world. Programs to accomplish this goal include wellness, culinary arts, farm to table, garden/nutrition, and internship (see above). The work is hands on with students working in teams and encouraged to ask or find out why.



Photo provided by David Jones

Edward Jones Staff Members with School Supplies for Healdsburg Schools

The Edward Jones staff recently raised over \$2500 toward the purchase of supplies for local schools. The box in the photo with the K logo contains pencils donated by our club to be given to every child in Healdsburg's grades K-5.



Denny Stead, Kelly Keller, Dave Keller and Lily Keller attended the Cloverdale Kiwanis Oktoberfest on October 5th



Sharon Shows the Money

Sharon Gallagher left the October 8 meeting early leaving her lotto ticket in the care of Sher Tice. When Sharon's number was drawn, Sher pulled the red checker out of the bag. Someone ran Sharon down in the parking lot and she returned to collect \$125.

Happy/Sad

Randy Collins happy to have enjoyed an extended vacation touring several European countries by train. While in Zurich, he visited a Kiwanis meeting – an international interclub!

Jim Schmitt happy to have received an Award of Excellence for his heirloom cradle from the Sonoma County Woodworkers Association.

Ken Scharer happy that son Keith is now a fully licensed commercial pilot.

Susan Sheehy happy to have visited three grandchildren in Hong Kong.

Lucy Lewand happy to be making progress in preparing for her performance in "Dancing with the Stars" at the Raven Theater. Even though her dancing may not be stellar, she is confident that her incredible costume and winning personality will carry the day.

Hugo Bauer happy that his son escaped serious injury. or worse when his car hit a downed power pole. He managed to get out of the car and avoid the hot wires on the road. Just as he had moved a safe distance away, the car exploded.

The Greatest little Golf Tournament in Sonoma County

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club put on their 5th Annual Service Club Golf tournament on September 18th at the lovely 18-hole Windsor Golf Course. Sunshine, clear skies, and a great welcoming committee greeted the players and processing went extremely smoothly. Immediate past President Loretta Strong, President Dick Bugarske and President on deck, Jan Gianni all assisted with the check in. Jim Schmidt orchestrated the putting contest with aplomb and the players got out to their starting holes right on time. Patty Robards, caterer extraordinaire, set up a fabulous on course BBQ lunch assisted by her spatula armed man, Rick Woods and served pulled pork sandwiches for the meat lovers and a vegetarian option for the dieters/vegans in the bunch.



The Welcoming Committee

Bruce Main, Dick Bugarske, Susan Sheehy, Lee Gunnerson, Judy Everett and Loretta Strong

All in all we had 51 players which was a little short of our goal. But what we lacked in participation was made up for in enthusiasm. The handicapping committee of Lee Gunnerson and Jim Silveira did a masterful job of creating parity with 7 teams in the mix and four teams tied for third. But it is difficult to thwart the sheer expertise of professional sandbaggers and the Todd Brandt/John Dayton team rose to the top in the end. The Geyserville Kiwanis team was led by Ted Elliott and finished second. Past Rotarian president, John Torres' team won the tie breaker for third place.



The Brandt/Dayton Team

Total revenue numbers are not in yet but we should net somewhere between 2 and 3 thousand dollars. The only logistical problem we encountered was that the "Beer Babes" kept getting lost on the course for some reason but Denise Paup and Loretta did a great job of keeping the refreshments flowing. Roger Dormire, once again came through in the clutch with a high of 28 hole sponsors. And my sincere thanks goes out to my Co-chair, and his wife, Dan and Jan Gianni, without whom this tournament would not exist. Until next year and please try to drum up some more Players. Lets not try to keep it a secret that it is the best little golf tournament in the county.

Thanks to all the sponsors for all of your support.

Hunt Conrad

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TO:

Planned Giving

What is your legacy?

We all desire significance- to lead happy and fulfilled lives surrounded by family and friends. For many of us, there is a compelling need to make a difference- to leave a lasting impact on the people most dear to us and in the world in which we live

The search for significance and desire to plan for the future leads many to ponder their legacy. What kind of legacy will you leave?

An easy gift to make:

A charitable bequest is an instruction that directs a gift to be made to a qualified tax exempt charity when you pass away. It can be made in writing, by a will, trust, or beneficiary designation. One benefit of a charitable bequest is that it enables you to further the good work of an organization you support, like Kiwanis, long after you are gone. Additionally, a charitable bequest may help you reduce estate taxes by providing your estate with a charitable deduction for the value of the gift.

A bequest is one of the easiest gifts to make. With the help of an advisor, you can include language in your will, trust, or beneficiary designation specifying a gift be made directly to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund. A scholarship in your name will be given to a deserving high school student to help with the next stage of their education. Your gift will be held in a trusted investment management fund and administered by the highest level of fiduciary responsibility by the scholarship fund committee.

A bequest can be made in several ways:

- Gift of a percentage of your estate
- Gift of the residue of your estate
- Gift of a specific asset

Other Types of Bequests

Certain types of property pass outside of a will or trust. These assets require that you name a beneficiary by completing a beneficiary designation form. To make a bequest of these assets, you should contact the company or entity from which you purchased the asset. Here are a couple of examples¹:

An insurance policy makes a nice bequest to charity. As an asset of your estate, an insurance policy is taxable at your death. However, if the policy is gifted to charity, your estate avoids paying tax on the value of the policy and receives a charitable deduction for the gift. You may generally name anyone as a beneficiary of your insurance policy and change your designation at any time. Contact your insurance company to obtain a beneficiary designation form and make a bequest of your policy to The Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Bequest of an IRA

A retirement asset like an IRA account makes an excellent bequest to charity. If the IRA was given to your family, much of the value would be depleted through estate and income taxes. By designating a charity as the beneficiary of part or all of your IRA, the full value of the gift is transferred tax free at your death and your estate receives the charitable deduction of your account. Contact your IRA or retirement account custodian to obtain a beneficiary designation form to make a bequest from your IRA to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Scholarship fund.

For more information on charitable giving, please contact Dan Maraviglia, Healdsburg Scholarship Fund President or Chuck Reichel, treasurer.

¹ The examples contained in this flyer are for general informational purposes only and are not intended to provide tax or legal advice regarding a particular situation. Prior to making any decision regarding charitable giving it is ESSENTIAL that you contact a legal or tax professional of your choosing to determine the legal and tax consequences of any prospective gift.