Brandt's Beach BBQ

Our annual Administrative "Fun"d raiser was held on August 23 at the historic Brandt's Beach picnic site. About 100 members and guests enjoyed a beautiful evening filled with great food, excellent company, exciting auctions, and merriment.

The event was organized by committee chair Dennis Stead and an able crew of helpers. The feast was prepared under the direction of Chris Metrulas assisted by Dick Bugarske and Mark Zimmerman. David Sharer directed the dining area setup and services and Rick Norman sold the drink tickets. Denny Stead served as the auctioneer for the live auction and is to be congratulated for squeezing the last $$$ from the bidders.

Net proceeds for the Administration Fund from the admission price, and silent and live auctions are estimated to total over $11,000 as detailed below:

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Special thanks to the Brandt family for continuing to provide the beautiful setting for our annual BBQ.

Calendar

Meeting Dates:

Sept. 2: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex.
Sept. 9: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Bear Republic Brewery in Cloverdale
Sept. 16: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex.
Sept. 18: Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza
Sept. 23: (Evening Meeting) Installation of New Officers and Board Members.
Sept 30: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex.

Other September Dates
Golf Tournament – Tayman Park, September 17.

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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President, Richard Bugarske
Co-Presidents Elect, Dan Gianni/Jan Gianni
Phil Luk, Secretary
Brian Wells, Admin. Treasurer
David Sharer, Project Treasurer
Loretta Strong, Immediate Past President

Board of Directors
Dan Gianni
George Clough
Jerry Strong
Mark Zimmerman
Susan Sheehy
Judy Everett
David Sharer
Steve Jones

Memorial Scholarship
Board of Directors
Dan Mariviglio, Chair
John (Jack) Brandt
Hunt Conrad
Guy French
Charles Reichel
Ken Scharer
Dennis Stead

The Builder
Harry Jackson, Editor
Arnold Santucci, Sr. Advisor
Richard Iverson, Member

Happy Birthday
Jeff DeZurik – Sept. 5
Eric Smith – Sept. 6
Debi Robley – Sept. 7
David Jones – Sept. 16
Ken Rochioli – Sept. 19
Chris Metrulas – Sept. 20
Cynthia Brown – Sept. 23
Lindsay Wurltizer – Sept. 23
Robert Taylor – Sept. 27

Kiwanis Anniversaries
Congratulations to the following members who joined the Kiwanis Club during the month of September
James Schmidt - 9-7-04
Jerry Strong - 9-8-92
Gary Plass - 9-25-01
Randolph Collins - 9-25-01

The President’s Message
By Dick Bugarske

This is my last President’s Message (again) and I wanted to share some of what I have learned this past year.

First, it takes a group of very special people who commit their time and energy to make this Club one of the best there is around. Even when the going gets tough or life throws a few curves, our members make it work. We have many moving parts that fit together pretty seamlessly because so many of you care about the job, the committee, your friends, our Healdsburg community, and our wonderful, soon to be 92 year old Club.

I have learned that the laughter and buzz from the meeting tables reflects the vibrant and happy folks who want to come to the meetings and share a meal, some conversation and a good joke or two.

I have learned that each of us can make a difference in this world and that together we touch the lives of so many in Healdsburg and beyond. From the 3rd grader who cradles his or her dictionary to the little ones who find presents under the Christmas tree we helped get from a field in Oregon to their living room. From the Scouts who are supported by having a greater opportunity to stretch themselves on a 50 mile hike. From the HHS senior who can pursue her dream of going to college because of our help. From a Key Club officer who accepts a challenge in life because of a leadership opportunity we afforded. From a mother in a far off land who gets a chance in life to have a family and whose children someday may find that elusive cure we all may desperately need some day. And I have learned that the success of our Club is the consequence of a lot of personal effort and caring about what we do.

I am extremely grateful for the roles that everyone has taken on this year. I have learned that our Club works hard, accomplishes much, has fun doing it, and that our members frequently put the Club and its efforts ahead of their own.

Thanks to you all and I know that Jan and Dan, with Susan to follow, will “carry-on” the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club’s good works, our proud past, and our bright future.

A heavy hearted goodbye to June Smith

Everyone’s favorite Kiwanian, June Smith died on August 21 at the age of 92. June joined our club in 2010 and was the widow of long-time Kiwanian Temple Smith. June will be fondly remembered for her high spirits and cheerfulness.

A remembrance and celebration of June’s life will be held at the Villa on Thursday September 4th at 12:30pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society, North County Hospice, or the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Those wishing to donate to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund should send the donation to Chuck Reichel, 1201 Vine St. #103, Healdsburg, CA 95448.
Board of Directors April Action

The following are actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting on Thursday August 21, 2014:

The following donation was approved:

- Project Eliminate - $3,000. It was noted that 2015 is last official date, but donations are accepted after that date. Loretta Strong proposed that our club donate the balance of what we have already given to achieve $10,000. Hunt Conrad donated the balance of his president's fund to that amount, leaving a balance of about $3,000 from the project fund.

Project treasurer David Sharer reports that about $16,300 is left in the Project Fund account available for distribution to community services.

No other grant requests or expenditures were approved.

In other discussion:

- Hunt Conrad proposed a new fund raising project to be scheduled for September 2015. The project is a bicycle event that could be called Bikes - Brats & Beer. The course could be 30/60/100 miles long and could include up to 300 riders, with proceeds as high a $30,000. A great deal of planning and organization is needed and a strong committee chair is required.

- Accepted the membership resignations of Kelly and David Keller and Cher and Steve Tice. A discussion took place on new membership categories that include corporate and family.

- A revised copy of the bylaws has been given to the board and will be reviewed in the near future.

August Programs

August 5: Committee Assignments

No speaker was scheduled for the August 5 meeting. Instead the time was spent updating committee assignments for the coming year. Listed below are the Standing and Project Committees and their chairs or co-chairs.

Standing Committees

Executive Committee: Jan Gianni, Co, Pres.
Student of the Month: Dick Bugarske
House and Reception: Jim Schmidt
Membership: Loretta Strong
Publications: Harry Jackson
Fundraising: Denny Stead
Media Relations: Steve Jones

Nominating: Lee Gunnerson
Inter-Club: Susan Sheehy
Speakers & Programs: Dan Gianni
Key Club: Dick Bugarske
Sunshine/Bereavement: Jan Gianni
Boy Scout Troup 21: Bob Taylor
Financial Review: Cindi Brown
Scholarship Awards: Loretta Strong

Scholarship Board

Project Committees

Christmas Tree Lot: Ken Scharer
FFA Food Booth: Denny Stead, Co-Ch.
Pancake Breakfast: Ken Scharer, Co-Ch.
Brandt’s BBQ: Susan Sheehy Co-Ch.
Golf Tournament: Judy Everett Co-Ch.
Fitch Mt. Footrace: Denny Stead
FFA Brigades: Roger Dormire Co-Ch.
First Book Project: Dan Gianni Co-Ch.
Relay for Life Breakfast: Jerry Strong Co-Ch.
Caroling: Jerry Strong
Gifts: Dan Maraviglia
Presents Project: Diana Blakeley
Soroptimists Beerfest: Richard Iverson

These dedicated and hardworking individuals are the backbone of our club and deserve the whole-hearted support of all members. Members are urged to contact committee chairs if interested in serving on a particular committee, or to change committee assignments for a better fit for their talents.

August 12: Kiwanis History Videos

For the August 12 program, President Dick showed two videos containing interesting Kiwanis historical and project information.

An address by Robert Johnson, first Kiwanis President discussed the founding of the club and early history. Kiwanis was founded in 1915 in Detroit. A controversy developed among two factions in the early membership. One faction favored a trade and social club only while the other favored focusing on serving the needs of the community. The latter group won out and Kiwanis has evolved into the worldwide organization serving the children of the world. An Indian phrase – “NunKee-wan-is” which translated as “We Build” was adopted for the club’s name. According to a history
bulletin on the club’s web site, “A more thorough check revealed that a truer meaning is, ‘We have a good time – we make noise’.” – Probably tongue in cheek, but appropriate.

The second video was a presentation by Dr. Wil Blechman, Regional Coordinator of Project Eliminate. Dr. Blechman was instrumental in developing the Kiwanis International ongoing worldwide program, Young Children: Priority One, which focuses on children from before birth through age 5. The program focuses on four key areas:
- maternal and child health
- child care and development
- parent education and support
- safety and pediatric trauma

Developed in partnership with UNISEF, the program has been very successful in these areas, including the elimination of Iodine Deficiency Disorders in many countries. This success has led to the development of Project Eliminate, also in collaboration with UNICEF. The Eliminate Project aims to raise US$110 million and save the lives of a 129 million mothers and their future babies by eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus, a disease that kills one baby every nine minutes.

August 19: Convention Report

Jan and Dan Gianni, Loretta and Jerry Strong and Dennis Stead attended the Kiwanis District Convention in San Diego on August 14-16. Jan, Dan and Denny talked about their experiences at the convention along with an interesting slide show. Loretta provided her impressions in the following:

San Diego Cal-Nev-Ha District Convention
by Loretta Strong

Whenever I’m in a room with hundreds of other Kiwanians one word comes to mind: Inspirational. Kiwanis is not just a club. It’s a mindset. A system of values. A philosophy of what matters most and who to help with your gift. It’s all about the children and each and every Kiwanian gets that. Some clubs like ours distribute dictionaries every year. Some clubs distribute shoes because in many countries unlike our own children do not even have basic articles of necessity. No child in the USA goes to school barefoot. In other countries it is all too commonplace. Some clubs distribute backpacks for school supplies and helmets to make the ride to school safer. Clubs all over the world approach their agenda with the same unity of purpose: change the world, one child and one project at a time!

Without a doubt, the most compelling stories dealt with the international partnership to eradicate MNT and our progress to date. Mozambique has just been certified and there are 24 countries to go. To say “that a picture speaks 1,000 words” is an understatement. You truly have to see it in the videos to understand the impact we are making. One beautiful little girl in Africa wearing a pink dress held up a sign that read “Kiwanis is Hope”. When they see our white vans arriving with the vaccines they truly believe that the “cavalry has arrived! They are now more educated and understand that women do not have to die to give life, to give birth. The slogan of our campaign is “to protect the connection”, literally the umbilical cord should not be a conduit of disease. We can reverse this and we are doing just that!

Our Kiwanis leaders are confident that we can get to $110 million US. We are at $61 million and momentum is rapidly growing now. When Jan Gianni and Loretta Strong attend the International Convention next June in Indianapolis we will join with all Kiwanians to present our 100th Birthday gift to the world: the Elimination of Maternal Neo-Natal Tetanus forever!

Interclub “Round Robin” Nearly Complete

With interclub visits to Clear Lake on August 5, the “Round Robin” of visits to clubs in the District will be completed in September with a visit to Fort Bragg.

Interclub to Clear Lake – August 5

Neal Bertrand, Dee Whitehall, Bob Santucci, and Susan Sheehy
Clearlake Kiwanis Treasurer Mort, President Nick McNicholas with Nick’s two nieces
Amber and Leah

Amber and Leah are recipients of the Kiwanis Hope of America award. This award is given to ten students each year who have overcome difficult circumstances in their lives (poverty, divorce in family, etc.) and who have shown resilience and maintained good grades in spite of their circumstances.

The Clear Lake club is very small, but with two very dedicated, enthusiastic members.

Lotto
Aug. 5, One red, one black left in the bag.

Aug. 12 - Only the red left, an automatic winner.

The Winner! John Bippart
John shares the $934 jackpot 50/50 with the club.

Pocket Park Update

Future Pocket Park – August 2014

Boy Scout Troop 21 is making progress in development of the new pocket park at the corner of Fitch and Mason Streets under the direction of Eagle Scout candidate Cutler Price. The decorative split rail perimeter fence is in place and a bench has been installed on a concrete pad. Remaining work includes constructing concrete pads and assembling and anchoring the tables, chairs and bike rack.

Kiwanian David Jones, who lives nearby has been leading the effort in seeing to all the logistics. David has personally borne much of the expense. Thanks David!
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Judy Everett happy to celebrate her birthday by 7 ½ hours of shopping in San Francisco.

David Jones happy to have enjoyed a trip to Maui.

George Clough happy to celebrate 50 years of marriage to Mary Lou. Happy $5 for a new Buick.

Patti Robarts happy for many Healdsburg Kiwanis members attendance at Friday Night Live in Cloverdale.

Richard Yates happy for a trip to Hawaii, noting that there is a serious fabric shortage there.

Curt Hahn sad that Joandelle is having painful back problems. Happy that granddaughter has graduated from Marine OCS and is headed to flight school.

Rich Iverson $61 for each good year with Barbara.

Leroy Steck happy to be pain free after a recent shot in the shoulder.

Barbara Iverson

Condolences to Richard Iverson and family for the loss of Barbara who passed away on August 14, at the age of 85, after a long illness. Richard and Barbara were married in 1953 and raised four children. Barbara and Richard had a passion for traveling. Their travels took them several times to Europe, the Middle East, Asia, the Caribbean, Mexico, and throughout Canada and the United States.