# KIWANIS CLUB



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## CALENDAR

(Dolores Whitehall Is Program Chairman For Month of April)

**April 3:** Speaker from Canine Drug Unit, Sonoma County Sheriff's Department.

April 10: Doug Stout, Healdsburg's Literary Laureate.

April 17: Alejandro O'Neil, Youth Coordinator, California Human Development Resources.

April 24: Volunteer from Canine Companions, Santa Rosa.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS:

April 8: 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Villa Chanticleer \$6 adults, \$3 children. Tim Tuscany, Chairman.

April 21: Total K Day, Work Day, 9 a.m. Oak Mound Cemetery. Contact Vince Dougherty or Dennis Stead. All members urged to participate.

**April 26:** Geyserville Kiwanis Club's Ribb Feed and Pie Auction, Fundraiser to purchase dictionaries for Geyserville 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. Contact Ryan Peterson for tickets, 431-7418.

### Happy Birthday:

April 3: Fr. Tom Devereaux

April 5: Sandy Dunn
April 6: Bob Meyer
April 10: Richard Nair
April 15: Richard Bertapelle

45th Annual Pancake Breakfast:

## Generosity of Membership Will Help To Make The April 8 Breakfast A Very Successful One

By Tim Tuscany, Chairman

I am really excited as the Pancake Breakfast moves closer. My list of "To Do's" seems to be getting shorter. I realize that I have been fortunate to have a lot of great support and guidance along the way. Some have been gentle reminders, and others have been real hard shoves. All the same I am no harder for the wear.

My real joy is the response from the membership. Rich Iverson has led a great group to our most successful yet advertising section in the Healdsburg Tribune. The Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast pages will appear in the Wednesday, April 4 issue of the Tribune, with 87 advertisers.

Again the club will go into our Breakfast without any expenses thanks to our members contributions and efforts. We can all thank the following members who contributed with generous donations:

Villa Rental: Ernie Ralston, Don Reukema, Alvie Rochester, Jack Brandt, John Bippart, Ken Turnbow, Francis Passalacqua.

Placemats: Temple Smith.

Syrup and Butter: Jerry Strong.

Tickets: John Bippart.

Pancake Mix, Sausage, Chafing Dishes, Aprons: Rich Norgrove.

Orange Juice: Chuck Reichel, Tom Rackerby

Eggs: Dennis Stead
Posters: Dennis Gary
Banner: Robert Young

Sandwich Board: Martin Edwards, Pete Peterson, Fred Haley, Dick

Bertapelle, Hugo Bauer, LeRoy Steck.

The 45<sup>th</sup> annual Pancake Breakfast is set for Sunday, April 8 at the Villa Chanticleer, Serving hours are 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children and are available from Kiwanis members and at the door.For information contact Tim Tuscany at 433-8856. The revised Pancake Breakfast work schedule will be found in this issue of the Newsletter.

## It's A Go! Total K Day Set For Saturday, April 21

Vince Dougherty and Dennis Stead, co-chairmen of the second annual Total K Day said that this time it's a go rain or shine. The date for the clean up of the Wilson plot in the old section of Oak Mound Cemetery is Saturday, April 21. Meet at the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club at 8 a.m. for Coffee and Doughnuts. Then up to the hill at 9 a.m. for the work session which should end at noon time.

It was determined through the research facilities of the Healdsburg Museum that the Wilson plot would be the focus of our efforts this year since there are no family members in this area to help maintain the plot. Any questions call Vince Dougherty (433-8638) or Dennis Stead (433-6503).

The President's Message:

## April 1 Marks the Half-Way Point in Our 2000/2001 Year

By Lee Gunnerson

The Governor's dinner on March 10 was a successful event honoring our current governor Tom Vildibill and our own Distinguished Service Award winners, Don Reukema and Clarence Ruonavaara. Our group was tied with the Sonoma Plaza Club as the largest. Thanks for attending to Bob and Donna Young, Temple and June Smith, Mario and Carolyn Lucchesi, George and Mary Lou Clough, Arnold and Vi Santucci, Fred and Peggy Haley, Tim and Barbara Tuscany, Neil and Evelyn Iversen, Alvie and Dolores Rochester, Don and Betty Reukema and Lee and Nancy Gunnerson.

Our club was also very well represented at the March 22 Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society's Pioneer Award Dinner honoring our own Francis Passalacqua. Kiwanians attending included John Bippart, Fr. Thomas Devereaux, Richard Iverson, Carl Elze, Fred Haley. Art McCaffrey, Dan Maraviglia, Bob Meyer, Don Reukema, Garry Rosenberg, Jim Silveira, Temple Smith and Tim Tuscany, Arnold Santucci and Clarence Ruonavaara took part in the program.

April 1 marks the half-way point in our 200/2001 Kiwanis year. In addition to "hands-on" projects like Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Hospice Tree Lighting, Fitch Mountain Elementary School Reading Tutors and work on the Boy Scout Camp Rosenberg Project, we have made the following financial contributions so far this year:

\$2,280 for dictionaries for every 3<sup>rd</sup> grader in Healdsburg, \$2,214 for material expense to date for the Boy Scouts Camp Rosenberg project.

\$2,000 to help send 4 boy scouts to the 2001 Jamboree on the east coast.

\$500 to the Kiwanis Family House in Davis, California. \$300 for a Kiwanis sign for the High School Baseball Field. \$300 for Distinguished Service Awards for Don Reukema and Clarence Ruonavaara.

\$250 for the Healdsburg Aquatic Center. \$250 to the Healdsburg Shared Ministries.

\$250 for My Body Is Healthy program.

\$200 for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade Healdsburg Elementary School Camp.

\$200 to the Soroptimist Club. \$100 for the Kiwanis IDD Fund.

It has been an active and productive six months. Now let's renew our efforts for the April to September period.

And remember membership. Please bring some Prospective members as guests to our meetings.

# Report of the Official Minutes of the March 8 Board Meeting

(Submitted by Michael Villa for Secretary Neil Iversen)

President Lee Gunnerson convened the board of directors meeting at the Healdsburg Police Department at 7:05 p.m. at which time a quorum was present. DUES/BILLS PAYABLE: Neil Iversen reported \$682 in second quarter dues were collected from 8 club members (7 active/ 1 Senior) between February 9 and March 8 and that all February Club bills have been paid. ADMINISTRATIVE/DUES DELINQUENCIES: Dennis Gary reported the Club's Administrative cash position as of February 28, 2001 was\$18, 586. 37, an increase of almost \$4000 from the same period last year. Temple Smith then reported on delinquent dues and the circumstances of two club members (Frank Bellagio and Bob Nicholson) which prevent them from actively participating in the club at this time.

PROJECTS: In Dan Gianni's absence, Dennis Gary reported the Project Fund balance was approximately \$7,888, including a CD for \$3,731.

A motion was passed to remove Frank Bellagio, Bob Nicholson and Merrrily Tuscany from the roster of active members. Another motion was approved to transfer \$2000 in surplus money from the administrative fund to the Scholarship Fund in order to increase the four proposed \$1,000 scholarships this year to \$1,500 each. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Pancake Breakfast – Tim Tuscany requested funding of \$450 for the purchase of two signs, one for the city-owned billboard south of town on Highway 101 and the other to be placed in front of McDonald's on Healdsburg Avenue. The board approved the request, if and to the extent membership donations fail to cover the cost.

Fitch Mountain Foot Race: Dan Maravigglia reported that he had received no new information concerning whether the city had changed its characterization of the race as a "major event" and the \$3,000 fee it will require for the use of the Plaza and closure of Center Street the morning of the race. Provided there was no damage the city would refund \$1,250 of the fee. If the city does not alter its stand or waive the fee requirement, Maraviglia said he may appeal the matter directly to the city council and seek a change in designation and/or exemption or fee waiver. Payment of the fee could reduce net profits from the race by up to one third, according to Maraviglia. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Basket for Governor's Dinner: President Lee Gunnerson's request for \$40 to pay for the two dinners for the Distinguished Award winners from our club to attend the Governor's dinner and donations to fill a basket for the Toys for Tots auction at the dinner were approved. President Lee advised that Robert Young had donated a magnum of wine for the basket. The money for the two tickets will come from the Project Fund. MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL REQUESTS: Lee Gunnerson presented several requests for financial support:

Troop 21's request for \$500 for each of the four scouts (\$2000 total) to help defray the cost (\$2500 per scout) of sending them to the Boy Scout Jamboree in Virginia later this year was approved.

Kiwanis International's two requests to Skip-A-Meal between and donating the money saved and to contribute to its Annual Gift Campaign were deferred by the board without a formal vote.

Healdsburg High School's baseball coaches' request for funds to defray the cost of new baseball equipment was approved. The coaches requested \$300 and in recognition of the request offered to create a 3' x 6' sign bearing Kiwanis' name and logo which the team would display at the baseball field during each home game this upcoming season.

Nurse Carla Trotter's request for funding for two students to attend a health fair was declined.

Claire Shubert's request for funds for her local Girl Scout Troop to buy their own cookies wholesale was declined

Cal-Nev-Ha's request club members purchase raffle tickets for a cruise was also declined.

Healdsburg Elementary School's 4th grade class request for \$250 to go on a field trip was approved. REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION: Lee Gunnerson read a letter from the City of Healdsburg inviting the club to submit a written grant proposal for a Community Benefit Grant before April 6. Gunnerson indicated he would solicit the club membership to see if anyone had experience in writing grant proposals AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY: George Clough suggested the club should honor the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary for their years of dedicated service to the membership. The idea was well received and adopted by the board without a formal vote.

### Todd Brandt Will Be Inducted As A Member at Our April 3 Meeting By John Bippart, Membership Chairman

A membership application has been received from Todd Brandt, son of current member and past president, Jack Brandt. Todd will be inducted at the first April meeting, April 3.

Joe Weathers, manager of Empire Mini Storage, has attended his first meeting.

With regret, the board accepted resignations from Robert Nicholson and Merrily Tuscany who are

leaving the area and Frank Bellagio whose business demands do not allow him to continue as a Kiwanis member.

As always our primary source of new members is our current membership. Your membership committee needs your assistance. Bring interested parties to a meeting as our guest, or contact John Bippart (433-9337) and he will take over, if you wish.

## Key Clubbers Are Seeking Your Spare Change To Help Children

By Dennis Stead, Key Club Advisor

The students are busy selling tickets for the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast.

Every Wednesday you will find the Key Clubbers at the Fitch Mountain Elementary School helping students with their reading.

A major new effort is about to begin as the Key Club starts "Collecting Loose Change." This money will be used for gifts the students will deliver to seriously ill children. A "pot" has been placed at the Annex door, please put in your spare change.

As you read this column six of our Key Clubbers will be in Long Beach attending the Cal-Nev-Ha Key Club convention.

## Membership Treasurer Asks That You Properly Identify A Business Check By Temple Smith

There is a minor problem that has been encountered which involves properly identifying a specific member when the dues payment is made by a business or corporate check. This can be corrected by sending on a copy of the statement with your payment or noting your name on the check itself. That will assure that your payment will be properly credited to your account.

The third quarter is coming up fast and dues will be due again upon receipt of an invoice from Treasurer Dennis Gary. If possible, please make an effort to take care of the obligation before the end of the first month of the new guarter. Keep in mind that your club has outgoing obligations that are drawn from dues receipts. Thanks for your (cheerful?) cooperation.

## Important Notice Regarding Nominees For the Upcoming Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee is at work on the slate of nominees for the various offices and directorships for 2001-2002 year.

Anyone who would like to step up and indicate his or her interest in becoming a director should contact the committee chairman, John Bippart (433-9337) as soon as possible.

#### The Builder - KIWANIS CLUB of HEALDSBURG

## Need More Donations For Our Scholarship Fund To Meet Deadline

President Lee Gunnerson reminds us that "we have a lot more money to collect to take advantage of our \$1000 matching challenge.

March was really slow but thanks to Yolanda Rinaldo, as of the March 27 meeting, we have another \$100 for the scholarship fund. Yolanda pledged \$100 which will give us \$200 for the fund.

Chuck Reichel, treasurer of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Fund, advised club members in January that two of our members anonymously, had pledged \$500 each for the Fund providing the club members donate a like amount. For every new dollar donated by a member, family member, friend, to the Scholarship Fund that money will be matched by the anonymous donors. The club has until June to meet the challenge.

"Please, let's finish this off now," Gunnerson said.

Celebrating Anniversaries: The following Healdsburg
Kiwanians joined the club during the month of April: Earl
Osborn, April 7, 1948; Kurt Hahn, April 11, 1978; Clarence
Ruonavaara, April 21, 1981; William R. (Ray) Baskin, April 29,
1986; Albert (Pete) Peterson, April 19, 1988; Jim Birdsong,
April 19, 1988; John Dayton, April 2, 1991; Richard Norgrove,
Jr. April 7, 1996; Dan Maraviglia, April 8, 1997; Dennis Stead,
April 13, 1999. Congratulations.

#### Windsor and Petaluma Interclubs Were Well Attended By Healdsburg Club Members By Mario Lucchesi

Recently the Windsor Group was favored by 5 of our"foul eaters": Lee Gunnerson, Alvie Rochester, Les Davis, Tim Tuscany and George Clough who made the arduous trek ... not for big bucks but for "chicken feed".

Tis said they clucked all the way home!
Eleven more attended the "mollusk fare" in Petaluma.
The "shell shocked" eleven were Martin Edwards, Fred Haley,
Bob Meyer, Allen Owen, Pete Peterson, Alvie Rochester,
Dennis Stead, Arnold Santucci, Jerry Strong, Dee Whitehall
and Bob Young.

Ten returned happy but one did complain, in open meeting no less. The cause of his lamentations went something like this:

Of oysters I did eat plenty
Only two less than twenty
With high hopes galore
But all I could muster
Was a .... Snore!

#### A word of advice:

If lust is your concern
This you should learn,
The mullusk on which you gnaw
Should be and must be raw
For you cannot be feral
If the oyster is sterile!

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