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KIWANIS CLUB

Of Healdsburg



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CALENDAR

(Jim Birdsong Is Program
Chairman For the Month of May).

May 1: Martin Edwards – Pacific
Bell – Right of Way.

May 8: Kurt Hahn – Healdsburg
General Hospital Update.

May 15: General Meeting

May 22: Kevin Morrow –
BancWest Investment Services.

May 29: Maureen Miller – My Body
Is Healthy Update.

Special Events:

May 6: Healdsburg Community
Chorus, Spring 2001 Concert, 3
p.m. at Raven Theatre, Tickets \$5
adults, \$3 seniors and children
under 12, at the door \$7 adults, \$5
seniors and children under 12.
Advance tickets available from
Wayne Carr or Toyon Books.

May 23: Healdsburg Community
Band Annual John Philip Sousa
concert, 7:30 p.m. at the Luther
Burbank Center for the Arts, Santa
Rosa. Tickets are \$10 in advance
or \$12.50 at the door. Advance
tickets sales have been excellent
so call Carl Elze at 433-0517 if you
plan to attend.

Happy Birthday:

May 10: Jim Silveira

May 17: Glenn Keith

Distinguished Service Awards Presented To Club and Four of Our Members

During the past two months our club has been singularly honored with another Distinguished Club award, our fourth since 1984. The club was presented with the award for the year that John Bippart was president and Neil Iversen was secretary, 1999-2000. The presentation of the award was made by Past Lt. Gov. Alvie Rochester at the March 6 meeting and was accepted by Bippart. The club was also awarded a DSA for the year 1998-1999 during which Don Reukema was president and Neil Iversen was secretary. Other clubs of Division 32 who received the DSA for 1999-2000 were Clearlake and Santa Rosa Suburban for the Cal-Nev-Ha District.

Four members of our club were also honored during this period, two with the Distinguished Service Awards and two with the Distinguished Kiwanian Award.

Receiving the DSA award at the Governor's Dinner in Santa Rosa on March 10 were Don Reukema and Clarence Ruonavaara, two of fourteen so honored by the Governor.

The most recent honorees were Tim Tuscany and Dennis Stead who were presented with the Distinguished Kiwanian Award for their outstanding service to the club, their efforts to bring in new members and service to the community. Lt. Gov. Bob Carver, Division 32, made the presentation at the April 10 meeting.

Nominating Committee Final Report Presented to Membership; Election May 15

John Bippart, chairman of the 2001-2002 Nominating Committee formally announced a slate of officers for the new year. The first reading was held on April 24, with a second reading on May 1 followed by the election on May 15. Nominations from the floor will be accepted.

Nominated were Tim Tuscany, president; Nancy Curnow, first vice-president; Michael Villa, 2nd vice president and Neil Iversen, secretary.

Treasurers are Dennis Gary, administrative, Dan Gianni, project and Temple Smith, membership.

Bippart advised that nominated (unopposed) to complete the second year of Michael Villa's term as director, due to Michael having accepted the 2nd vice presidency is Les Davis. Nominated for two year terms as directors commencing on October 1, 2001 are Jim Birdsong, Fred Haley, Richard Iversen, Mario Lucchesi, Dan Maraviglia, Yolanda Rinaldo and Leroy Steck. The membership will select 4 directors out of the seven nominees.

Members of the board whose term will expire on October 1 are George Clough, Rick Alves, Tom Rackerby and Jerry Strong. Remaining on the board for another year will be Ernie Ralston, Dennis Stead and Dee Whitehall.

The President's Message:

April Has Been A Very Good Kiwanis Month; Keep It Going

By Lee Gunnerson

Our major fund raiser for the year, the Pancake Breakfast, is now behind us. Thanks go to Tim Tuscan for working so hard and well to pull off a very successful event. We look forward to using the profits for many useful causes.

Future Farmers Country Fair

The next fund raiser will be selling food at the Future Farmer's Country Fair on May 24 after the parade and on May 25 and 26. Dennis Stead is leading the food booth organization. Please step forward and volunteer so the work load is shared among many and not just a few of us.

And the Parade NEEDS the Kiwanis Bicycle Brigade. You can ride a bike or ride in Hugo's vintage pick up truck.

Total K Day

Total K Day was finally held after two rain outs. Thanks to Vince Dougherty for the third offering of coffee and "donuts" and for organizing the event. While we had only seven show up (besides Vince and myself there were Vicki Rainwater, Dennis Gary, Carl Elze, George Clough and John Bippart) we really cleaned up the Rosenberg, Willson and Powell plots at Oak Mound Cemetery on April 21. The count of those with poison oak comes later!

Arbor Day Tree Planting

On Saturday April 28, Arbor Day, we planted trees at the north end of the city at Parkland Park. Phil Rice has done a great job in obtaining the trees and working with the city on where to plant them. This is part of Kiwanis Governor Tom Vildibill's tree planting project for the year.

American Legion Auxiliary Honored

At the suggestion of Bob Malone and organizing work of George Clough we hosted about 25 of the ladies (and men) of the American Legion Auxiliary who have served us lunch as an organization for 76 years. Hazel (Woody) Stiles read from their meeting minutes in 1924 wherein they documented profiting by \$12 for preparing their first Kiwanis lunch. And they have persevered all these ensuing years.

New Hands On Project

As the Camp Rosenberg Boy Scout project is winding down (thanks Don Reukema and everyone who has contributed effort), we are planning to build a bocci ball court at Badger Park as the next hands on project. We are hoping to receive a grant from the City of Healdsburg to help defray the costs and we will be

working together with the Rotary Club. This should start up this summer. However, we NEED a volunteer to head up this project.

Past Presidents Day June 5

This is a reminder to all past presidents to try and attend the June 5 luncheon meeting in your honor. That's John Bippart, Francis Branern, Jack Brandt, Wayne Carr, Edgar Deas, Vince Dougherty, Ted Etheredge, Kurt Hahn, Fred Haley, Rich Lehrmann, Bob Malone, Francis Passalacqua, Don Reukema, Phil Rice, Al Rochester, Bruno Rodella, Garry Rosenberg and Bob Young among our active members.

In addition we are contacting nine past presidents who are not active members and encouraging them to attend: Steve Tice (Tim Tuscan to contact), James Gentry (Lee Gunnerson), Fred Besio (Don Reukema), Glen Davis (Phil Rice), Lloyd Decker (Lee Gunnerson), Bill Kassin (Lee Gunnerson), Ken Hampton (Neil Iversen), Chuck Campbell (Bob Young) and Gerald Hodges (Lee Gunnerson).

April has been a good Kiwanis month. Let's keep it going!

Todd Brandt, Michael Weathers Are Our Newest Members

In ceremonies conducted in April by Membership Chairman John Bippart, Todd Brandt and Michael (Joe) Weathers became the newest members of our club.

Brandt, a Healdsburg native, attended Healdsburg schools and is a graduate of Sonoma State University class of 1998. He is associated with the family business, Brandt Insurance. Sponsored by his father Jack Brandt he is the third generation in his family to join the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club. His grandfather, Milton Brandt, is a past member.

An avid golfer he has been invited to join the club's golf committee and help win the division golf tournament again this year.

Weathers, sponsored by Vicki Rainwater, is a native of Redding and a graduate of Tomales High School. He is general manager of the Empire Storage at 1200 Grove Street. He and his wife, Sharon, have two sons, ages 12 and 10. He enjoys camping and fishing. His mother Marie Weathers, a member of the Clearlake Club, was on hand to present him with his Kiwanis pin

Traveling Golf Trophy Lands Here

Bob Albright of the Sonoma Plaza Kiwanis Club presented the traveling golf trophy to our club during an inter-club meeting April 10. Accepting for Healdsburg was Healdsburg's golf chairman John Dayton whose team won the division golf tournament last year. In making the presentation, he remarked that his wife is very happy the trophy is out of their family room!

Report of the Official Minutes of the April 10 Board Meeting

(Submitted by Secretary Neil Iversen).

President Lee Gunnerson convened the meeting at the Healdsburg Police Department at 7:05 p.m. at which time a quorum was present.

BILLS/DUES : Secretary Neil Iversen reported that all bills had been approved and paid. He also reported that \$4,491 had been collected in dues since the March 8 board meeting, from 34 active members and 7 senior members for this 3rd quarter.

TREASURERS REPORTS" Administrative: Was approved as presented. Membership: Temple Smith reported that about half of the members have paid and half have not. Smith, it was suggested, will call on one member who is two quarters in arrears. Dan Gianni's Project report was approved..

COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL REPORTS:

Membership: The applications of Todd Brandt and Joe Weathers to become members were approved. They had attended the required three meetings. The resignation of Richard Passalacqua, a 13 year member, was accepted. However, the board asked that Richard be advised that he could obtain senior membership status if desired.

HISTORIAN: A request for materials and information from Al (Pete) Peterson and Fred Haley, History Committee, to prepare a new club history was accepted. At the suggestion of Tom Rackerby more copies of the request will be given to board members at the May meeting so that disposition of the request can be made.

FITCH MOUNTAIN FOOT RACE: Jerry Strong reported that all tee shirts have been ordered and that the awards will be ready in time for the Race in June. Vicki Rainwater further advised that the shirts are ordered through her store.

NEW BUSINESS: Ladies Auxiliary: a request from the Auxiliary to serve lunches on the fifth Tuesdays of the year was denied because our commitment to Western Boot cannot be changed.

SALVATION ARMY: A request for funds for the Employees Education Fund at the Salvation Army at Lytton ARC was approved, \$250 each for two employees to attend an Alcoholic Drug Management one week course at the University of Utah .

LITTLE LEAGUE: Approved was a donation of \$1000 to Little League Baseball to be used for catcher's gear. The liaison for the request was Vicki Rainwater, Little League vice-president.

MUSIC: Music teacher Elizabeth Vega's request for funds to purchase more drums and instruments for

the music program in 5 Healdsburg area schools was approved. \$200 was allocated for this project.

SCIENCE FAIR: Carl Elze agreed to chair a committee to set up tables and chairs for the annual science fair. Set up time is Friday May 4 at the Armory.

Need To Raise \$300 More To Meet Matching Fund Scholarship Target By Lee Gunnerson

We are making progress in matching the \$1000 offered by our two anonymous donors for the Memorial Scholarship Fund. So far we have the following gifts and pledges:

Dennis Stead, \$100; Yolanda Rinaldo, \$100; Lee Gunnerson, \$250; Pete Peterson, \$50; Rick Alves, \$100; Vince Dougherty, \$100.

With \$700 raised we need an additional \$300 to reach our target. Let's finish it off in May.

Matt Lewis and Evan Erickson Are The Students of the Month.

The students of the month for both February and March were presented to the club membership in April by chairman Dick Bertapelle.

The student for February was Matt Lewis, a senior at Healdsburg High School who has acquired a 3.8 grade point average while participating in basketball and tennis.

Special interests include economics, our legal court system and computer technology. He also enjoys racquetball, movies and sharing good times with friends. He has served as basketball camp counselor for three years.

After graduation Matt plans to pursue his interests at the University of California where he will major in business or marketing. He is the son of Yvonne and George Lewis of Healdsburg.

Evan Erickson, the son of Dan and Sonya Erickson, was the student of the month for March. A senior at Healdsburg High School he has earned a 4.0 grade point average last semester. He is also a member of the varsity baseball and soccer teams. Special interests include history, hiking, reading and computers. After graduation he plans to major in history or kinesthetics.

Both students, in addition to the Student of the Month certificate, received gift certificates from Sonoma Sports and Levin Books.

Celebrating Anniversaries: The following Kiwanians joined the club during the month of May: Lindsay Wurlitzer, May 15, 1979; Carl Elze, May 5, 1987; Les Davis, May 14, 1994; Robert Marmor, May 21, 1996; Temple Smith, May 11, 1999; Ron Foster, May 11, 1999; Vicki Brannon-Rainwater, May 9, 2000.

American Legion Auxiliary Honored For Many Years of Service To Kiwanis

"This has been a remarkable relationship," said Clarence Ruonavaara, chairman of the House and Reception Committee, following the presentation of a plaque presented to the American Legion Auxiliary at the April 24 meeting.

Ruonavaara was referring to the 76 years of service that the Legion Auxiliary has performed by serving lunches to the Kiwanis members weekly since 1924, a relationship that was mutually beneficial.

Bob Malone who suggested to the board that the club honor the Auxiliary exclaimed that the statistics are unbelievable. Three quarters of a century, he said, 75 is a biggie!

The Auxiliary followed the club in the many locations they met for their weekly luncheon and meeting—the American Legion Hall once located where the Healdsburg Shopping Center is now, the Federated Church Hall (now the Catholic Hall) on Fitch Street, St. Paul's Hall and finally at the Villa Chanticleer Annex.

George Clough who was asked by the board to make arrangements for the luncheon honoring the Auxiliary members, said that the plaque and

presentation was in "grateful appreciation for the 76 years of service."

"We thank you and applaud you."

It was pointed out that the Auxiliary over the span of years had served over 3,750 meals!

Thelma Frey, Auxiliary president introduced the 25 members and accepted the award on behalf of the Auxiliary. She pointed out that with the money earned by catering the lunches – their major fundraiser - the Legion Auxiliary was able to contribute to a number of programs – adoption of veterans at Yountville Veterans Home, send 3 girls to Girls State, contribute to the Healdsburg Animal Shelter and Food Pantry, give scholarships to high school students and participate in the Future Farmers Country Fair and Graduation Night at the high school.

At the conclusion of the presentation each Auxiliary members received a gift of flowers from the Kiwanis Club, presented by George Clough.

HAPPY AND SAD \$\$\$... Rich Lehrmann happy that his son Matthew has been accepted at UC Santa BarbaraGeorge Clough happy for Tim Tuscany for the very successful Pancake Breakfast ...Bob Young happy that Todd Brandt became a member ... Dennis Stead happy that the club members were so generous for the Key Club's Spare Change program.

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