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### Fire and Earthquake Safety Expo Our gift to the community Celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Saturday May 6 dawned with intermittent rain but in spite of this inconvenience, The Fire and Earthquake Safety Expo opened on schedule and was a very successful event.

First and foremost, our thanks to the many generous Expo Sponsors who made the event possible. It could not have happened without you!



Event expenses were completely covered by the generous financial support of these folks with a surplus that will help support our other 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events.

Over 60 exhibitors, including many of the event sponsors, showed up early and were set up and ready by 10 AM. Exhibits were varied, but all very interesting and informative. They included preparedness workshops in English and Spanish, meeting and interacting with first responders, disaster simulations and live fire suppression demonstrations. Visitors also learned about the new city evacuation map and how to best evacuate, and how to protect homes and pets during emergencies.

One of the most popular exhibits was the earthquake simulation trailer provided by PG&E at great expense, that shook up brave people willing to climb aboard, by a simulated 7.2 earthquake. Another attraction was the landing of the Sonoma County Sheriff's Henry 1 rescue helicopter.



Henry has landed

Free lunch was provided by the Rotary Club (hot dogs) and Kiwanis (Patti's delicious chili).

Denny says: "To all the troopers who volunteered to work, thank you for all your hard work. It paid off. This event was very successful, in spite of the weather. We made it happen!" And thank you Denny and Joanne for your leadership. It wouldn't have happened without you!



Regular Tuesday meetings at the Villa Annex unless noted otherwise.

#### Meeting Dates:

**Jun 6:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Introducing the 2023 Healdsburg Prune Packers - Opening Day

**Jun 13:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Hayley Bly (Dr. of Development) and Nicole Skeffington (Volunteer Dr.) Boys and Girls Club.

**Jun 15:** Board Meeting, Round Table Pizza.

**Jun 20:** Regular Meeting at 12 noon, Don McEnhill, Executive Director, Russian Riverkeeper

**Jun 27:** Evening Meeting at 6 pm, Dinner Party hosted by Judy and Steve Everett.

#### Other June Dates

**Jun 18:** Fitch Mountain Foot Race.

#### Save the Date

**Aug 8:** Kiwanis sponsored Tuesday night music in the Plaza – Danny Click & the Hell Yeahs!

**Aug 26:** Brandt's Beach BBQ

**Sep 30:** Denny's deinstallation party. Details later.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon 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 President Dennis Stead (433-6503) or Secretary Nancy Arsenault (949-257-6739).

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### Expo Photos



All shook up in earthquake simulator



Fire Safe & Safer Wood Exhibits



PG&E wildfire information



Cal Fire Info



First Responder Therapy Dogs



Goats & donkeys entertain the kids



Roof vent cover effectiveness Demo



Nearly fair weather



The out-front greeters Dick, Rick & Tim



An intermittent shower



Providence Hospital injury prevention & trauma services



The Halter Project, a major Expo sponsor



PG&E employee demonstrates downed wire action



Nancy & Cindi serve up the Chili

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**Happy Birthday**

Diana Blakeley – June 2  
John Bippart – June 22  
James Schmidt – June 22  
Diane Norgrove Pierce – June 28

**Kiwanis Anniversaries**

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

Tim Tuscany - 6-3-97  
Tom Rackerby - 6-16-92  
Corrine Salazar-Rose 6-19-18  
Robert Taylor - 6-24-86  
Carol Feldner – 6-29-21



**The President's Message**

It was a busy month!

The Fire and Earthquake Safety Expo, cleaning up the cemetery, the FFA Fair and the parade!

At times, it can be hard work, but the benefits are worth it. We move on now to the Fitch Mountain Foot Race. This is the single event that benefits the Memorial Scholarship Fund, a requirement that maintains our 501C3 status. Please join in to help make it "bigger and better"!

On August 8th we will have our "Kiwanis Day" and we are the sponsor of the Tuesday night "Music in the Plaza"! Our club will be present with banners, pop-ups, food, drink and noise (Attention Anna!)

Brandt's Beach is next on our list of fun and hilarity on August 26th at 5 PM. Following close behind on Saturday, September 30th, is the long-awaited Grand Finale, the BIG exit party of el presidente Denny at Denny's house. You will not want to miss that so SAVE THE DATES!

Denny



**Diane Norgrove Pierce**

With deepest sadness we report the passing of our dear friend and Kiwanis member Diane Pierce on May 8, 2023. Diane joined Healdsburg Kiwanis on November 14, 2017 and was an active member of both our club and the Santa Rosa Kiwanis club.

From Diane's family and daughters:

Our beautiful mother has transitioned from this life to her eternal home with our Lord and savior. She went peacefully with her 3 daughters by her side. We feel blessed by the love and support we have received from friends and family during this time. Thank you all for your support. Time and date for a celebration of life to come later. Love to all.

**Dan Gianni**

An update just received from Jan: " Dan is hanging in there after what turned out to be very complicated surgery. They did some extensive work on his face to get the cancer removed. He will be several weeks in recovery and then he hopes to be back to see everybody."

Keep Dan in your prayers. We hope he will recover quickly and totally.

## Board of Directors Meeting

There was no urgent business and there was no Board meeting in May.

## Meetings

**May 2:** Warm Springs 4-H Presentation.

We hosted and learned about the Warm Springs 4-H Club from 7 young 4-H members. Susan Sheehy's granddaughter and friends gave us a brief club overview, their activities and responsibilities as club officers.



The Warm Springs 4-H is the oldest club in Healdsburg and has a very large active membership with regular meetings attended by up to 90.

Club activities fall into two general categories: Livestock and Non livestock (Public Service). Livestock projects consist of raising animals for the annual FFA Fair. Young animals are purchased and cared for, including feeding, grooming, and health care throughout their growth period and finally showing them at the fair for the auction. Each of our guests described their livestock project which included swine, sheep, beef, poultry, and horses.

Public service projects include assisting at our pancake breakfast and making posters for the poster contest. So, it was also a time for us to say thank you for all their help.

**May 9:** Expo Review

Dick presented a slide show of over 100 photos and videos of Expo exhibitors and activities taken by several members.

**May 16:** Students of the Month Celebration.

See Page 6.

**May 23:** Loretta Strong Travels in Europe Part 3.

Loretta and Jerry have been traveling throughout Europe in recent months. Today Loretta entertained us with an interesting slide show - Part 3 of their travels: the City of Prague.



**Old Town Square in the heart Prague**



**Charles Bridge over the Vltava River**

Loretta started out with a history lesson on the European region, from the formation to the nation of Czechoslovakia at the end of WWI to the Soviet occupation and life behind the Iron curtain following WWII, to the separation into the present-day separate countries of the Czech Republic and Slovakia following the fall of the Iron Curtain.

Prague is the capital city of the Czech Republic. Remarkably Prague is the only national capital in the war zone that was not bombed during WWII. So, the centuries old colorful baroque buildings, Gothic churches and medieval monuments remain and are well maintained and in good condition.

The city is bisected by the Vltava River. Attractions are the old Charles Bridge over the river and Old Town Square in the heart of the city's historic core.

**May 30:** Evening Meeting at Healdsburg Museum - Hosts Susan Sheehy and Holly Hoods



**Holly Hoods,  
Executive Director  
and Curator**

We had a very pleasant social evening meeting as guests at the Healdsburg Museum with a delicious spread of treats brought by everyone. Holly welcomed and entertained us with some interesting stories about Healdsburg history and gave us a tour of the current museum exhibition, *Healdsburg Volunteers & Visionaries*.



**On the Kiwanis Display**

The exhibition has a collection of displays of volunteer organizations that have served the community since its founding. In addition to the Healdsburg Kiwanis display (which drew the most interest) were the many other past and present service clubs, FFA, 4-H, the first fire department volunteers, The Pomo Weaving Society, the Food Pantry and other services to those in need, and Smith Robinson and the City Adopted Korean War Battalion.

The last day of the exhibition is June 4, and the museum gallery will be temporarily closed through July 20 to de-install the current exhibition, construct the new exhibition and make some interior

improvements. The New exhibition - "*We Are Not Strangers Here: African-American Histories in Healdsburg and Rural California*," will open to the public July 20.

Holly noted that 3 Kiwanians are on the Museum and Historical Society Board of Directors: Susan Sheehy president, Harry Jackson Secretary, and Lockie Gilles who also takes care of all the museum's computer needs.

## Cemetery Clean-up

The annual Oakmound Cemetery cleanup is a joint project of the Healdsburg Museum and our Kiwanis Club.

Jackson Family Farms provided workers on May 16-17 to clear weeds at the cemetery. The following Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> Kiwanians, Museum staff and other volunteers showed up with rakes, brooms, leaf blowers and gloves to finish the job. Recology donated 2 huge dumpsters which were nearly full by 11:30 AM.

Kiwanians who showed up were Denny Stead, Joanne Kolinski, Susan Sheehy, Harry Jackson and Eric Smith. See Page 7 for photos.

## \$Happy/Sad\$\$

Jan Gianni happy for attending her parent's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Sad that the professional photographer erased all the photos.

Bob Taylor happy for the successful Expo. Planning and pulling it off was like that of the Normandy Invasion.

Susan Sheehy and many others very sad for the passing of Diane Pierce.

Sad that two members totaled their cars this month: Lockie traveling to coast with son. Denny didn't sleep well so went to sleep at the wheel and collided with a large eucalyptus tree near Bodega Bay. Happy no one was injured including the tree.

Cindi Brown sad she was bitten while breaking up a dog fight.

## 2022 -2023 Students of the Month

This year marks the 98th annual tradition of honoring Healdsburg High School Students. Kiwanis members welcomed the 2022-2023 Kiwanis Students of the Month to our May 16 lunch meeting. A male and female student is honored for each month of the school year for a total of 18 students. Some of the students were accompanied by parents or other family members making for a very large crowd.

Each student was asked to introduce themselves and accompanying family, and tell us about highlights of their HHS career, their most influential teacher(s), and plans for next year. They were also asked to tell us what they will be doing 10 years from now.



**Susanna Conway\***



**Owen Lucas**



**Owen Efram\***



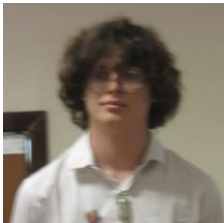
**Eric Gutierrez\*\***



**Abigail Highfield**



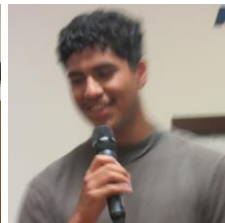
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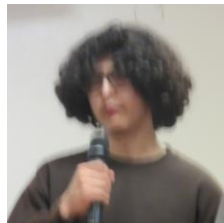
**Nathan Ross**



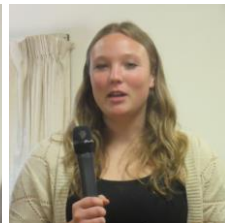
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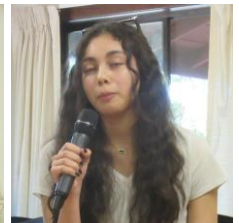
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**Edsel Valdez\***



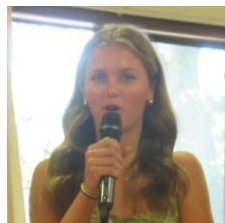
**Theresa Helfrick**



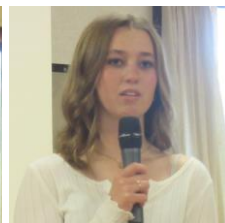
**Tiffany Vega\***



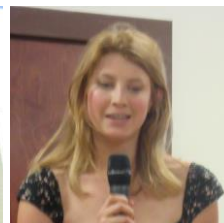
**Luci Hagen\***



**Viola Santana**



**Elise Thompson**



**Kiran Meyer\***

\* Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Winners

\*\* Roger Dormire Scholarship Winner

Jack Powell attended but had to leave early. Did not speak.

Harrison Threlfall was unable to attend.



**Cemetery Cleanup Photos**

*Photos by Sidney and Susan Sheehy*



**Susan Sheehy**



**Silas McAllister**

Silas is a Junior High student. His mother saw the flyer at Big John's about the cleanup and thought he should go. He was a good worker, and we were so happy he came to help.



**Gabriel Rodriguez**

Gabriel saw our flyer and thought this was a good way to earn extra service hours for school. He is a graduating HHS student and heading to Southern California as an honor student.



**Harry Jackson & Museum Curator Holly Hoods**



**Museum Research Curator Lauren Villacorte**



**Museum Manager Ramona Adair**



**Denny Stead, Joanne Kolinski and Lauren Villacorte**

offload the pickup into the debris boxes donated by Recology



**A full debris box**



**The gardeners who keep the fountain beautiful**

## Healdsburg Kiwanis Leads the Parade



**The crew completes decorating the float**

In recognition of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we had the honor of leading the 2023 Twilight Parade with Healdsburg Kiwanis President Denny Stead the Grand Marshal. We were allotted 130 ft. of street space in the parade and filled it to overflowing.

Leading off were Joanne and Kelly carrying the Kiwanis banner, followed by Grand Marshal Denny Stead riding in Jack Brandt's Lincoln Continental with Jack at the wheel and Liz Bippart. Then came our red, white & blue decorated float ridden by about 15 Kiwanians including Cloverdale and North Bay members. Following were 4 classic cars, Bob Taylor's Model A Ford, a 1963 Nova convertible, and 2 classic Mustangs owned by North Bay members.



**Enjoying the ride**



**Jack Brandt chauffeurs Grand Marshall Denny and Liz Bippart**



**Susan Sheehy and granddaughter Lily ride in the rumble seat of Bob Taylor's Model A**



## The FFA Fair – Bigger and Better Celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Our poor old food trailer limped to the fairgrounds for at least one more year after a crew did the best they could to clean it up and be ready for service.

The weather was pleasant on the cool side and sales were brisk with gross sales of \$4,349 on Thursday night and \$6,555 and \$5,309 on Friday and Saturday. Total sales were \$16,213 and estimated expenses were \$5,458, for a net profit of \$10,755. The contents of the tip jar added another \$744.

The event went very smoothly under the direction of hard-working committee chair Denny Stead. Thanks also to all the hard-working club members and Key Clubbers who logged in many hours performing all the necessary tasks, including shopping, setup, cooking, running food between cooks and sales staff, sales, and cleanup. Special thanks to Safeway for a credit of \$100 toward purchase of soda, water and other miscellaneous items.



**Tom tends the dogs**



**Jim prepares the corn dogs**



**The friendly sales staff, Nancy, Kathy & Joanne**



**Eric, the expert fry cook**



**Denny greases his hands mixing garlic fries**

## ***The Builder* - - KIWANIS CLUB OF HEALDSBURG**

### **Music at the fair**



Healdsburg Kiwanis provided this mobile stage on loan from the Geyserville Club to offer enhanced fair entertainment. The full schedule of performances included *The Straglerz* (Thur 7:00-9:30), *Highway 12* (Fri 2:00-6:00), *Banda* (Fri 6:30-8:45), and *Highway 12* returning (Sat 12:30-3:30), all provided at the expense of Healdsburg Kiwanis.



### **Overflow Photographs**



**An oil painting of our parade float  
by Sterling Sheehy**

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