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Donations Are Needed For Annual Auction at Brandt's Beach Barbecue on August 25

Dennis Stead, chairman of the committee to charge of the barbecue and auction at Brandt's Beach Picnic Grounds —a fund raiser for the club's administrative fund — asked club members to donate items for the silent and live auctions,

The annual event – a social event for club members and families as well as a fund raiser to help control the deficit in the administrative fund – is scheduled for Tuesday, August 25 starting at 6 p.m. with a social hour followed by a catered dinner and auctions. During the social hour club members and friends will have the opportunity to bid on the silent auction items. The live auction which will feature any number of interesting and unusual items and events such as special dinners, wines, vacation packages, art work, etc. will take place immediately following the dinner.

In his "pitch" to the membership Dennis stressed that he needs your help for the annual fund raiser to be a success. Ask your business associates, colleagues, family members and friends for donations for both the live and silent auctions.

Contact Dennis at club meetings, by phone at 433-6503 or e-mail at clarkstead@aol.com.

At the July 10th board of directors meeting, president Dennis Gary advised the board members that the administrative fund showed a balance of only \$1600 and requested that \$3,000 be deposited in the administrative fund on loan from the project fund. He further advised that the administrative fund has a \$14,000 loss year to date. Further, he projected a \$8,000 annual loss with the annual BBQ net results being taken in account. Dennis Gary pointed out that if the dues were increased another \$30 per guarter an additional \$7,500 for the administrative fund could be raised. The \$3,000 loan was approved by the board with a unanimous vote. Also discussed was the question of increasing the dues or sponsoring another fund raiser – a dinner at a winery or other venue with Rick Norman as chairman. The board decided that Dennis Gary would explain the financial situation to the members at a regular meeting as well as giving the argument for a fee increase.

Calendar

August 4: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

August 8: K Day at Giorgi Park to help construct new playground equipment. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

August 11: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. A representative of the Sedgway Company will be the guest speaker.

August 12: Board of Directors meeting, at 7 p.m. at the Healdsburg Police Department's Conference Room.

August 15-16: Help at the Windsor Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast at the Wings Over Wine Country Air Show, 6 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If interested contact Bob Nichel at 481-2267 or emailatbobnichel@comcas t.net.

August 18: Regular meeting at 12 noon at the Villa Annex.

August 25:No Noon Meeting. BBQ and Auction at Brandt's Beach, 6 p.m.

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August 3: Phil Luks August 3: Don Marshall August 3: Ron Dobley August 4: James Lucchesi August 5: Kurt Hahn

August 6: Ken Scharer
August 28: Vernon Ingham

KiwanisAnniversaries:

Congratulations to the following members who joined the Kiwanis Cub during the month of August..

8-3-99: Richard Bugarske 8-28-01: Joseph Engler 8-27-02: Vince Ciolino 8-8-06: David Jones



Dennis Stead was the guest speaker at the July 21 meeting and shared with the members his recent involvement with a World War 11 enactment on the east coast. Bob Taylor supplied an exhibit of World War 11 equipment and fire arms.

Letter to Board Sparks Discussion of the Ongoing Problem of Members Leaving Early

A letter from a member to the board which expressed embarrassment at how many members leave the meeting immediately following the introduction of the guest speaker again brought the subject up for discussion at the board's July 10th meeting. Board member Rick Norman stressed that the club members should be made aware again that their commitment calls for them to attend the meeting from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

In the general discussion that followed it was suggested that the guest speaker should be introduced earlier in the program followed by other business such as "happy and sad", announcements, etc. It was also suggested that "happy and sad", anniversaries and birthdays be celebrated once a month when no speaker is scheduled. Past president George Diebold was asked to enforce new measures to insure that our speakers would not be embarrassed by the members leaving early.

Club Seeks Clarification On Raising Funds for Administrative Use from Non Member

In a letter signed by Treasurer Pete Peterson to Kiwanis International seeking advise and clarification about using funds from a golf tournament in which club members as well as members from other Kiwanis clubs, Rotary Clubs and the general public would be invited to participate with the proceeds to be used for the club's administrative fund which is likely to run at a deficit.

The letter further stipulates that net proceeds would reach between \$4,000 and \$5,000 and would like written advice whether "our club can accept fees for the golf tournament from the public or other service clubs, or members of other Kiwanis Clubs. The letter also stipulates that "we would hope that any answer you provide would explain the reasoning for your answer. We would be particularly interested in whether you believe that your answer is based on Kiwanis International policy considerations or upon retention of our tax exempt status."

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Service Club Invitational Golf Tourse্পানুজন Is scheduled for September 23 at the Windsor Golf Course ছ) ধে মুন্দ

Golf Tournament Will Benefit Club's Administrative Fund

Hunt Conrad, chairman of the club's golf committee, announced that the first annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Service Club Invitational Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, September 23 at the Windsor Golf Club with a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

Hunt said that there will be lots of prizes plus a perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top service club golf team. The \$140 entry fee will include golf, carts, range balls, tee gift, box lunch, tri-tip and chicken dinner, beverages on the course and wine with dinner.

The tournament is open to all area service clubs and individuals who support them. Individuals are encouraged to participate. With less than four players signing up, the tournament committee will set you up in a foursome.

The net proceeds of the tournament will benefit the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's administrative fund.

For entry forms and more information contact Hunt Conrad at 431-9715 or Dan Gianni at 431-1650

Foot Race Brought In \$5700 For The Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund

Chuck Reichel, treasurer of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund, advised that the annual Fitch Mountain Foot Race, netted a total of \$5,734.42 which has been deposited in the Memorial Fund.

Entry fees brought in \$8,430 and with sponsors fees of \$2,000 the total income came to \$10,430. Expenses came to \$4,695.58 (including cost of T Shirts, medals, drinks for the runners, fees for Empire Runners who monitored the race).

David Jones, chairman of the 2009 Foot Race, earlier reported that 332 registered for the event and that 279 participated

Kiwanis K-Day August 8 Project Is Helping at Giorgi Park Construction

The Healdsburg Parks and Recreation Department has undertaken the task of completely constructing a new playground at Giorgi Park on University Avenue.

Matthew Thompson of the Parks and Recreation Department who is coordinating the project has asked for volunteers from the community to assist in construction of the new equipment designed for children from 5 to 12 years of age. Because this is such a visual community endeavor Kiwanis president Dennis Gary has asked for volunteers from the Kiwanis club to assist in this endeavor. He has called it our Healdsburg Kiwanis K Day scheduled for August 8, 8 a.m. to 4:30

p.m. The Parks Department will supply specialty tools and equipment plus lunch, snacks and beverages. All you have to do is show up.

Board Approves Fall Dinner and Wine Tasting as a Fundraiser

The board of directors at the July 10 meeting approved a fundraiser and social outing set for November 1. The plan was presented by Rick Norman

Rick told the board that the event was not only a fund raiser but also responded to members desires for more social events which would include spouses.

The event would be funded by a mandatory \$100 per assessment and this would entitle the member and one guest to attend the function.

At the suggestion of Andy Smith, the board also approved the event be open to non members at a cost of \$50.

Chris Metrulas Donates BBQ Prize Money To The Kiwanis Project Fund

The board of directors has accepted a donation of \$500 from Chris Metrulas who won the money at the City of Healdsburg Barbecue Cook Off.

Chris and his crew won first place in the professional category. The rules stipulated that prize money had to be donated to a favorite charity or organization.

Chris had suggested the funds be placed in the administrative category but Kiwanis rules do not allow money from the public be used in that way.

Special Thank You From a 2005 Grad

Nicole Black whose family resides in Geyserville and was a recipient of a Healdsburg Kiwanis Scholarship in 2005 recently sent the Club a very special thank you

The note reads:

Dear Healdsburg Kiwanis Club:

In May, 2005 I was awarded one of your scholarships. On June 13th I graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo with a BS in Business Administration with a concentration in finance and a minor in Economics. In August I will be starting a full time job in Paso Robles CA for Farm Credit West, as a loan analyst. I just wanted to say thank you again for the scholarship and for sponsoring the Key Club. As a past member, treasurer and president, I can say Key Club helped develop my leadership skills and I truly believe it has helped me become who I am today.

Sincerely, Nicole Black

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President Dennis Gary welcomes Sue Ross, the newly appointed executive director of the Healdsburg Museum and Historical Society as our guest speaker at the July 7 meeting. She told the membership of plans for the Museum and of partnering with other organization in the community to help the Museum in its mission statement and to attract more local residents as well as visitors to the museum.

Board Approves Donations

Improvements to the metal bleachers and announcers stand at Recreation Park, a donation to a girls' softball team and a donation to Habitat for Humanity have been approved by the club's board of directors.

Rachel Overstreet made the presentation on behalf of the Healdsburg 7th and 8th grade girls softball team. The requested funds – the board approved \$200-will be used to participate in a two-day softball tournament.

Amy Lemur, an official with the Santa Rosa Habitat for Humanity, appeared before the board to update them on the project which will be built in Healdsburg – two town houses on University Avenue across from Recreation Park. The board agreed to donate \$5,000 to the project with the stipulation that included in that sum is the President's Charity Fund which in the past has amounted to about \$1800.

\$7,000 was donated to the Healdsburg Greyhound Boosters Club for the upgrading of the metal bleachers and announcers booth at Recreation Park. The request was made by Dick Bugarske representing the Boosters.

