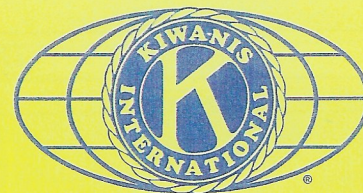


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TAKING OVER AS PRESIDENT: Dick Bugarske, left, 2010-2011 Kiwanis Club president, hangs on to the gavel which he will be turning over to Hunt Conrad at installation ceremonies set for Tuesday evening, September 27 at the Villa Annex.

Officers and Board of Directors will be Installed in Traditional Ceremonies at the Villa Annex

Hunt Conrad, president elect; his officers and four new members of the board of directors, will be installed by Division 32 Lt. Governor Eric Wheaton on Tuesday evening, September 27 at the Villa Annex.

Assisting Hunt as president during the Kiwanis year will be Phil Luks, secretary, Albert (Pete) Peterson as treasurer and Loretta Strong as interim president-elect. Elected to serve for two years on the board are Jan Gianni, Ron Puccioni, Richard Yates and Dee Whitehall. Board members returning for another year are George Clough, Bob Santucci, Jim Schmidt and Richard Thomas.

Loretta Strong, immediate past president, agreed to serve as president-elect with the understanding that she would step aside if another member agreed to take on that position.

Nominating committee chairman Lee Gunnerson had issued a call to the membership seeking a fourth candidate as a member of the board for a two year term and Dee Whitehall, who served as secretary for about five years, agreed to become a board member.

The evening will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and installation ceremonies at 7 p.m.

Kiwanians are urged to invite family members and friends to attend this special evening.

Outgoing president Dick Bugarske, who will serve as a member of the official team as past president for the upcoming Kiwanis year, will award some special presentations as well as review his year as president.

Calendar

September 6: Regular meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Committee Sign Up Day.

September 13: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. PSST Update from Tania Amochaev and Lynn Brett.

September 14: 3rd Annual Golf Tournament, Windsor Golf Club, 11:30 a.m. registration, shotgun scramble at 1 p.m. \$110 per person, \$35 dinner only. Contact Hunt Conrad or Dan Gianni

September 20: Regular meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex.

September 22: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. Conference Room at the Healdsburg Police Station.

September 27: Installation of 2011-2012 officers. 6 p.m. social hour, 7 p.m. dinner followed by ceremonies. Family and friends invited.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex. For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club contact Richard Bugarske, president at 433-1771 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8005.

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OFFICERS 2010-2011

Richard Bugarske, President
Hunt Conrad, President Elect
Phil Luks, Secretary
Albert(Pete)Peterson, Treasurer
Loretta Strong, Immediate Past
President

Board of Directors

George Clough
Harry Jackson
Rick Norman
Bob Santucci
James Schmidt
Martin Silge
Richard Thomas
Tim Tuscany

Memorial Scholarship

Board of Directors

John Bippart
John (Jack) Brandt
Dan Maraviglia
Charles Reichel
Dennis Stead

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Arnold Santucci, Editor
Richard Iverson, Member

Happy Birthday

Jeff DeZurik: Sept. 5
Eric Smith: Sept. 6
Thomas Barron: Sept./12
David Jones: Sept. 16
Ken Rochioli: Sept. 19
Chris Metrulas: Sept. 20
Cynthias Brown: Sept. 23
Lindsay Wurlitzer: Sept. 23
Robert Taylor: Sept. 27

Kiwanis Club Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following
members who joined the Kiwanis Club
during the month of September.

Vince Dougherty: 9-30-90
Jerry Strong: 9-8-92
Gary Plass: 9-25-01
Randolph Collins: 9-25-01
James Schmidt: 9-7-04

The President's Message;

"Tell Me What Is It You Plan To Do With Your One Wild and Precious Life ?"

By Richard Bugarske

The last sentence in the Mary Oliver Poem called *The Summer Day*, ends with the sentence above. In the poem, she is reflecting on life and its meaning as she sits in a grassy field. I have noticed that this sentence is oft repeated in commencement speeches to leave the graduates pondering about their future, their lives. At today's Kiwanis meeting we met Cheryl Wagner, a professional clown. As I listened, I was struck by the many unique paths that each of us takes in life. I suspect that had I asked Cheryl 30 years ago "what is it that you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?" I am sure "become a clown" would not have made her top ten list. But she seemed to be a pretty good clown.

The beauty of being a member of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club is getting to watch, listen and experience how each of us is living our "one wild and precious life". So any of us sharing our talents and time for the causes and community we care about is a very powerful endeavor.

Clayton Christensen of the Harvard Business School recently wrote an article titled, "How Will You Measure Your Life?" and he notes that he leaves his graduates with three questions as they move out into the business world.

First: *How can I be sure I will be happy in my career?*

Second: *How can I be sure that my relationships with my spouse and my family become an enduring source of happiness?*

Third: *How can I be sure I'll stay out of jail?*

As a good business professor, he then goes on to establish the metrics for being able to answer these questions successfully. His point is that we really don't know where life leads but we do have some control over the steps we take and should remember to look up once in a while or we may be re-asking question number 3 (One of Clayton's former friends is Jeff Skilling of Enron fame).

As a Healdsburg service club, our steps are mindful and they are filled with energy and passion. We redistribute resources in ways we trust will help others to step forward, step up, and be able to answer their own take on "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your wild and precious life ?"

I have had a fun and busy year at the helm of this club. I have learned much and appreciate all the support I have been given. I look forward to Hunt's reign and a purposeful 2012. (In 1913, Kiwanis was translated into "we have fun, we make noise." I am confident that will continue.)

Thought of the Day

(Courtesy of June Maher Smith)

Count your garden by the flowers
Never by the leaves that fall,
Count your days by golden hours
Don't remember clouds at all
Count your night by stars, not shadows,
Count your life with smiles, not tears,
And with joy on every birthday
Count your age by friends, not years.

Anonymous

Loretta Strong Approved by Board to Serve As the Interim President-Elect

At its August 18 meeting the board of directors accepted the resignation of a long time member, granted a six months leave of absence to another member, agreed to issue a certificate of appreciation to a local business, tabled a number of items and approved Loretta Strong serving as interim president-elect.

The board agreed to approve immediate past president Loretta Strong's appointment as interim president elect to ensure continuity of the office pending the election of a president-elect for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Officers and directors for the new year will be installed on Tuesday, September 27 at the Villa Annex.

The board also approved a plaque of appreciation to be presented to McDonalds of Healdsburg in recognition of its many contributions for a number of the club's fund raisers.

Tom Barron's resignation was approved and accepted with "understanding and regrets" for his situation.

Eric Smith was granted six months leave of absence starting September 1 and was approved for Associate Membership.

A funding request from the Healdsburg Nursery School to transfer a previously approved \$1400 ceiling repair to other school building repairs was tabled pending specific repair specifications.

Also tabled pending specific details was a request from the Healdsburg High School to participate in the replacement or repair of ceiling lighting at the Smith Robinson Gym

A committee was formed to review and analyze the club's objectives and selection criteria for scholarships whether for high school or junior high school students. Rick Norman will initially head this committee. **(Albert (Pete) Peterson contributed to this article).**

Save Your Coffee Cans for Carl Elze

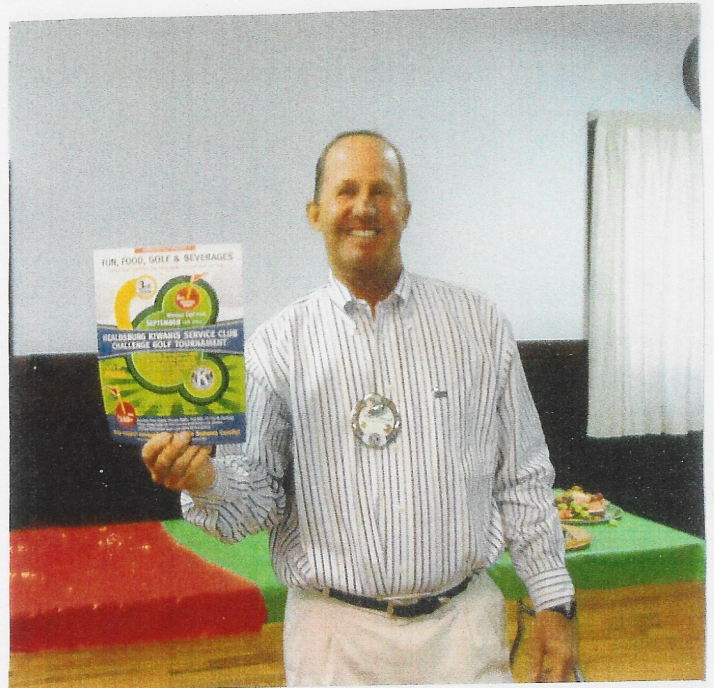
Again this year Carl Elze has put out a call to the members, family and friends to save your 2 pound coffee cans and bring them to him at club meetings.

Carl utilizes the cans as tree stands for small Christmas trees, a much better way to handle small trees and much appreciated by our customers.

After he paints the cans he fills them with rock to stabilize them.

It's not too soon – now that Autumn is almost here Christmas is not far behind – to help Carl with his project.

Ask your family members, friends, neighbors and colleagues to help with this project.



HUNT CONRAD, co-chair of the third annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Service Club challenge golf tournament, reminds us that the tournament will take place on September 14 at the Windsor Golf Club.

Fun, Food and Golf at Annual Kiwanis Service Club Challenge Tournament

All golfers are reminded that the third annual Healdsburg Kiwanis Service Club Challenge Golf Tournament is coming up fast but there is still time to join in the fun.

The tournament is set for Wednesday, September 14 at the Windsor Golf Club.

Hunt Conrad and Dan Gianni, co-chairmen, said that the committee promises not only good golf but also lots of fun, food and beverages. They said that the tournament is open to all service clubs and those who help support them. Individuals are encouraged to participate. With less than four players signing up the committee will set you up with a foursome.

The fee of \$110 per person includes golf, carts, range balls, tee gift, tri-tip and chicken dinner, beverages on the course and wine with dinner.

The event schedule: 11:30 a.m. registration; 12:30 pm. to 1 p.m. putting contest; 1 p.m. shotgun scramble.

To sign up contact Hunt Conrad at 431-9715 or Dan Gianni at 431-1650

The committee is also seeking hole sponsors for the event. Contact Roger Dormire if you wish to join the list of sponsors.

Net proceeds will benefit the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's administrative fund.



FINAL INTER CLUBS: Top photo, a visit to the Willits Club, back row, left, Susan Sheehy, Rick Norman, Albert Peterson, Judith Everett and front, the Willits Club treasurer ; Middle photo, at Ft Bragg, back row, left, Ft. Bragg president Brad Gradner, Clarence Ruonavaara, Bob Santucci, Judith Everett, front row, Dee Whitehall and Susan Sheehy; bottom photo, pilot Barry McClure of Healdsburg, Clarence Ruonavaara, Judith Everett and Bob Santucci. (Photos courtesy of Susan Sheehy).

Inter Club Completed with a Flying Trip to Fort Bragg, Visits to Willits, Petaluma

Under the strong guidance of Susan Sheehy, chairperson, the Inter Club program to visit all the clubs within Division 32, was completed on August 31 with an official visit to the Petaluma club. The other two clubs visited during August were Willits on August 9 and Ft. Bragg on August 23.

A highlight of the year long project was the trip to Ft. Bragg which involved three Kiwanians—Judith Everett, Bob Santucci and Clarence Ruonavaara-- flying to Ft. Bragg in pilot Barry McClure's plane. They flew up the inland route stopping in Cloverdale for fuel and were met at the Ft. Bragg airport by Susan Sheehy and Dee Whitehall, They flew back to Healdsburg via the coastal route, all agreeing "it was a spectacular ride and sight."

Arrangements for the flight to Ft. Bragg were made by Bob Santucci.

President Dick Bugarske thanked Susan for doing such a great job chairing the Inter club program.

Brats and Garlic Fries at Beer Fest In the Plaza Square September 10

The Kiwanis Club again will have a food booth at the Soroptimist International of Healdsburg Beer in the Plaza Fest scheduled for Saturday, September 10.

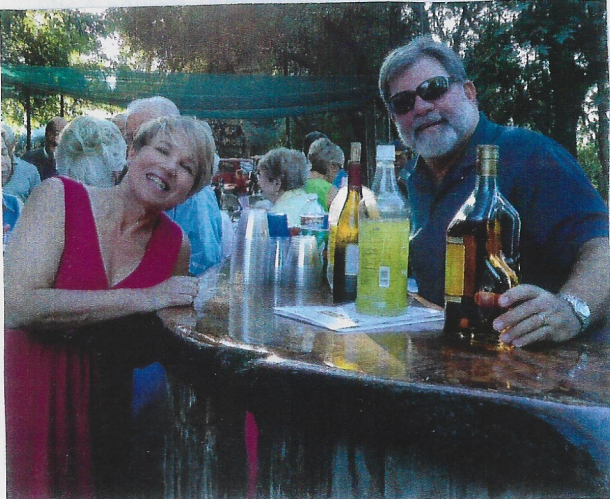
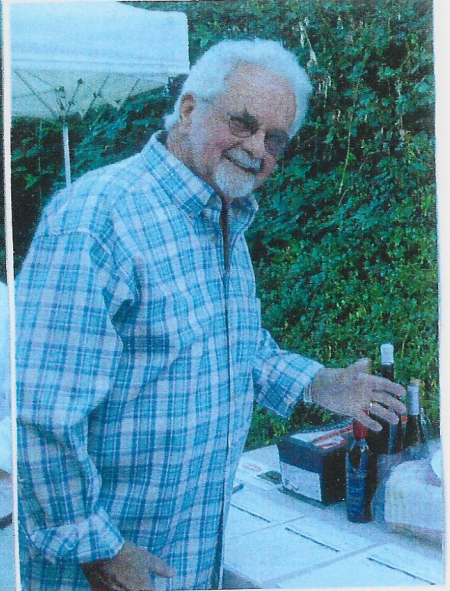
The booth, chaired by Bob Santucci, will feature Brats and our very famous garlic fries.

Festivities will get underway at 3 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m. The annual event – the Soroptimist of Healdsburg's 25th - will feature not only beer and food but also live music and a silent auction. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for 8-20 years, under 8 free. Tickets are available at the Bear Republic and at the gate.

Kiwanians wishing to help at the booth contact Bob at 888-9115.

Sign Up For Assignments Tuesday

Tuesday, September 6 you will have the opportunity to sign up for committee assignments for the Kiwanis new year. Assignment sheets will be available at the noon meeting. The program for that day will be devoted to this topic. The committees are divided into Standing Committees and Events Committees. President Dick Bugarske warned that if you did not sign up for committees, you will be assigned to one or more.



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PROJECT: Helping to make the annual Brandt's Beach Barbecue and Auction a success were the many members who worked various jobs and those who attended and bid on the silent and live auctions. Top photo, left, Food and Chill Chef Chris Metrulas, Celerity Chef Charlie Palmer and Helper Andy Smith; center photo, left, president Dick Bugarske and Dennis Stead, chairman of the event and auctioneer; photo at right, Ernie Frandsen of the Cloverdale Club, looks over items on the silent auction table; middle row, left photo, Jim Schmidt shown here with the Jewelry Chest he made and donated to the auction. The chest, a replica of a Japanese Calligraphy Chest was sold for \$550; middle row, right, Lorraine and Gary Plass greet Kathi and Joe Engler; bottom photo, Lucy LeWand, in charge of the silent auction, visits with Jack Brandt.

Barbecue---Auction: Attendance At Event Up But Income Down

Dennis Stead, chairman of the annual Brandt's Beach barbecue and auction reported to the members on Tuesday that "attendance over last year was up but the income was down by approximately \$2700. He said that the project, a fund raiser (please see back page)

BARBECUE: for the club's administrative fund, grossed \$11,420 as compared to last year's gross of \$13,877. This year's net, with an estimated expense of \$1,555, is \$9,865. Last year the Auction/Barbecue netted \$12,577.

The capacity crowd with many from the Cloverdale Kiwanis in attendance, enjoyed a steak dinner prepared by Celebrity Chef Charlie Palmer, owner of the Dry Creek Kitchen, assisted by Food and Chili Chef Chris Metrulas.

The silent auction, with 33 items donated by members and area businesses brought in \$1,830. Items were varied including wines, a bread maker, gift certificates to brunch at the Cliff House in San Francisco and at Corks Restaurant and a vintage settee donated by Albert Peterson and bought by Barry Smith for \$100.

16 items went on the live auction block with auctioneer Dennis Stead bringing in \$7,025 with all of the items except one being sold. Top bid was \$1300 for a prime rib dinner for 20 at the Robert Young Winery. Rick Norman was the bidder. A surf and turf dinner catered by Patti Robarts and Friends was bought by Lucy LeWand for \$500. Ernie Frandsen purchased three items - Lake Sonoma Fishing Trip for 4 for \$400, a Healdsburg Fire Department birthday truck and tickets to A Taste of Alexander Valley for Four for \$275, the latter donated by Jan Gianni.

Other items sold included four tickets to a SF Giants Game (\$259) donated by Brandt Insurance and purchased by Susan Wendt; Tappas and Wine for 30 guests, donated by Steve and Judy Everett, bought by Rick Norman for \$900; Russian River Rose Vacation Rental, donated by Lee and Nancy Gunnerson, bought by Lindsay Brandt for \$225; A Pops Concert and dinner at John Ash donated by Lucy LeWand and bought for \$575 by Karen Atkin; a South Carolina Shrimp Boil, donated by Zinful Chef Sean Thomas, purchased by Phil Luks for \$450; one case of Robert Young Wine, donated by Susan Sheehy, purchased by John Bippart for \$375; 3 Day weekend at Lake Shastine, donated by Jerry and

Loretta Strong, bought by Dan Gianni for \$500; Jim Schmidt's 7 drawer jewelry box sold for \$559 to Jerry Strong; 6 bottles of verical-Montemaggiore wine, donated by Vince and Lise Ciolino, bought by Joe Brandt for \$275; \$500 worth of tree work, donated by Timo of My Father's Touch Complete Tree Care, was purchased by Guy French for \$350.

Assisting Dennis Stead with the event were the following: Providing appetizers: Dee Whitehall, Jerry Strong, Carl Elze, Rick Norman, Jan Gianni; Food/Chili Chef: Chris Metrulas; Salad/Bar and Decorations: Lindsey and Jack Brandt; Bread: Rick Norman; Corn: Dick Bugarske; Helpers: Ken Scharer, Andy Smith, Mark Zimmerman, Ron Puccioni; Workers: Kirsten Smith, Eric Smith and Key Clubbers.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Kurt Hahn who was recently elected to a three year term on the board of the California State Rural Healthcare Association. A 50 year member of Kiwanis, Kurt is a 12 year member of the Healdsburg District Hospital.

HAPPY AND SAD: Mario Lucchesi happy to be back attending the noon meeting following the placement of a new pace maker which he was happy to note will be good for 12 years.... Clarence Ruonavaara happy about flying to Ft. Bragg, the city of his birth, with the inter club group, first time he has been off the ground in 60 years, he said.

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