

THE BUILDER

KIWANIS CLUB

of Healdsburg



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Calendar

Meeting Dates:

Jun 6: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Whitney Hopkins - Assist. Curator, Healdsburg Museum

June 13: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Eric Ziedrich - Historic Wine District that includes Old Roma Station.

Jun 15: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

Jun 20: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Ceres - Meals That Nourish the Critically Ill and Empower Teens.

Jun 27: Evening Meeting at Villa Annex. 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting.

Other June Dates

Jun 3: DCM, Petaluma 10-12am

Jun 11: Fitch Mountain Foot Race

Save the Date

Aug. 26: Brandt's Beach BBQ

Another Fun and Profitable Year at the FFA Fair Food Trailer



The Friday morning crew. Denny Stead, Judy Everett, Patti Roberts, Jason & Jackson Boaz. Busy elsewhere Jim Schmidt, Ron Puccioni & Harry Jackson

Sales at the FFA food booth were again brisk at the FFA fair this year with the usual Thursday night chaos followed by high volumes of sales on Friday and Saturday. Estimated net proceeds were a record setting \$10,288 compared to about \$7800 last year. The event went very smoothly under the direction of the hard-working committee chair Dennis Stead. Thanks also to all the hard-working members who performed all the necessary tasks; including shopping, setup, cooking, running food between cooks and sales staff, sales, and cleanup. Special thanks also to major food and supplies donors: Bear Republic – 900 lbs. of potatoes, Villa management – ice, over \$100 value and Safeway - \$100 gift certificate.

Thursday gross	\$4,416
Friday gross	\$5,080
Saturday gross	<u>\$3,340</u>
Total gross sales	\$12,836
Est. expenses	<u>\$2,547</u>
Net proceeds (Est.)	\$10,289



The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex 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 Randy Collins, President at 433-7759 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314

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Happy Birthday

Rachelle Jackson – June 1
Richard Thomas – June 3
Roger Dormire – June 5
LeRoy Steck – June 7
Diana Blakeley – June 2
Richard Norman – June 20
John Bippart – June 22
James Schmidt – June 22

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
Robert Taylor - 6-24-86
Richard Thomas - 6-24-08

The President's Message

Good Vibrations

While this title might conjure up the old Beach Boys tune that incidentally, was voted as one of the greatest rock songs of all time, the purpose of this column is to capture something entirely different. More specifically, the feelings those of us who were at the May 23rd meeting experienced when the club honored the "Students of the Month" for the 2016-17 school year. In a ceremony that was superbly run by Dick Bugarske, 20 outstanding young adults (one male and one female from each of the 10 months of the school year) were recognized for their outstanding academic performance and other contributions made to the community. With their beaming parents in the audience, each shared a bit about their family, the teachers that made a positive impact on their lives and what they would speak to if asked to make a presentation to our club 15 years from now. I cannot remember a time in my sixteen years of being a member of this club that I felt such "good vibrations" emanate from the students, their parents and the membership. It also served as a poignant reminder of the truly positive impact we, as Kiwanians make on the young people of Healdsburg.

If that didn't represent enough "good vibrations", the previous evening at the Healdsburg High School Scholarship Night presentation, I had the distinct honor to award five of these gifted young people present \$18,000 in scholarships (to them and 14 other students). These feelings were furthered by what naturally occurs in small community in that many of us personally knew these families and had seen these students grow into young adults (case in point, given his long presence in the community, I think Dick knew every student present as well as their parents). And if what had been witnessed, was not sufficient to give you a "warm and fuzzy inside", when I opened the floor to "Happy and Sad Dollars", the number of "Happies" and the testimonials that accompanied them by both our members and parents were among the most heartfelt and positive as I have ever heard. It also led to an overflowing fine box which was the first time I had seen that occur all year. As the meeting concluded, there was a smile on the face of everyone who left the Annex. Let me tell you, if there was ever a good time to be a Healdsburg Kiwanian, it was that day.

Randy

Club loses another member



Dolores (Dee) Whitehall
July 21, 1934 – May 26, 2017

We are saddened by the news that Delores Whitehall, a Healdsburg Kiwanis member since 1999 passed away on May 26. Dee was proud to be the first woman member of our club. She served as club secretary for a number of years and on the Board of Directors.

Dee was born and raised in Southern California. She moved with her husband Eugene to Healdsburg in 1972. Dee worked in the wine industry for Geyser Peak Winery and for Gallo.



WE WANT YOU!

For the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club!

The ability of our club to do the great works it does in the community is due to the efforts of our members and our President who directs these activities. Each May, the By-laws of Kiwanis International require us to nominate a President-Elect who will serve as President beginning in October of the following year. Although our nominating committee has been hard at work soliciting candidates, none have yet to step forward. While there is a time commitment, this is not a task done alone and the support you receive from the Board and respective committees make the duties manageable. To borrow JFK's famous adage, "Think not what your Club can do for you, but what you can do for your club!"

Your Club needs you now

Contact Denny Stead or Lee Gunnerson

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

The following is a summary of actions taken and items discussed during the Board meeting for May 2017:

Grant requests

- Healdsburg Community Nursery School - \$279 for their excursion to Children's Museum of Sonoma County.

Money Matters

- Administrative Fund – The club has received an assessment from Lt. Gov. Rich Fuller for \$1,387 to support Kiwanis Division 32.
- Project Fund – Pancake Breakfast proceeds are currently \$5,280.37. We gave \$12,822 in scholarships and sponsorships last month. The Project Fund account balances are: checking \$21,487; Tree Lot \$9,656; Money Market Fund \$66,417.

Presentation to the Board

- Lt. Gov. Rich Fuller spoke about the importance of attending regional meetings and explained our yearly assessment fees for the Lt. Governor's account is \$19 per member. This amount has not changed for several years. The annual budget meeting in September each year approves the budget for the next administrative year beginning October 1st. Our annual assessment is established using the membership number on October 1st.

President's Report

- Randy expressed concern about the low level of participation by our club. We need to take a serious look at potential changes to help our club to grow and prosper. Randy asked that the next newsletter be sent by regular mail in hopes of increasing readership.
- Bike Safety Fair: Randy met with the Bike Coalition and confirmed that the site (Healdsburg Community Center/Old Foss Creek Elementary School) is approved. The Bike Coalition has agreed to lower their fee of \$2,600 to \$1,600. There will be no charge from the city. The Red Cross, CHP, FD, and PD will volunteer their services at the event. Randy is waiting to hear from Save Lives Sonoma and the book mobile. A \$4,000 donation will be requested from the AT&T Foundation to help sponsor the event. Rich Fuller suggested we ask for a Kiwanis grant as the fund supports pediatric trauma prevention.

Committee Reports

- Pancake Breakfast: several members have not yet paid \$100 for their tickets.
- By-Laws update: Due to Dick's absence, this topic was tabled.

Other Business

- Christmas Tree Lot: A bid will go out from the City in June for two versions of the parking lot: one version will include the 60 chases needed for the tree lot bollards. The difference between the two bids will be our cost. At \$400 per hole times 60 holes, the anticipated cost is \$24,000. The monies for this expense have been set aside.
- July 25th will be an evening of good food and fun with hopes of seeing members who usually do not attend.
- 'Save the Date' cards will be sent to all clubs in our region inviting them to Terry Kemp's Installation as Lt. Governor on August 22nd.

Meeting Programs

May 2: Connie Aust - Council on Aging.

Connie Aust is the Fiduciary Director of Social and Financial Services for the Sonoma County Council on Aging (COA). In her presentation, Connie described the mission and the many Social and Financial Services provided by the COA.



COA's mission is "To enhance the quality of life for our aging community by providing services that promote well-being and maintain independence." <http://www.councilonaging.com>

One of the most successful and well known COA services is "Meals on Wheels". About 230,000 fresh meals were delivered daily to home-bound seniors last year. Nine dining sites and four social clubs are also provided for seniors are not home-bound.

Other COA social services include information and assistance, care management and coordination, senior peer support, and the family justice center. COA also provides financial and legal services: daily money management, conservatorships, trusts, estate planning, and lawyer referral.

Over 50% of the COA annual budget is funded by donations, fundraising and bequests. Most services request donations from senior recipients and many who can afford do donate. Financial services are fee based at \$65 per hour.

May 9: Chester Santos, "The International Man of Memory".

Chester Santos, "The International Man of Memory", is well known for his ability to demonstrate extraordinary feats of the mind, as well as educate others to do the same. Chester believes that every person can demonstrate amazing abilities with their memory given the proper technique and guidance.



In a very thought-provoking presentation, Chester described "training of the brain" to enable it to recall vast amounts of information and he demonstrated several techniques used to help the brain remember.

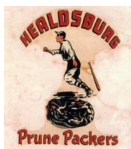
Chester first went around a table of about 20 people, introducing himself and learning each person's name. He then went around the table again and could recall everyone's name. Noting that our brain's visual memory is very strong, compared to memory for abstract facts, all our senses can be used to enhance memory.

Chester demonstrated a technique for memorizing a list of twelve words by the "story method". The story involves forming a visual picture of each word and relating it to the next word in the list.: a monkey was playing with an iron, he dropped the iron, but it was attached to a kite, the kite flew up and hit a house . . . etc. After learning the complete story, most of us were able to recall the list – at least for a few minutes.

Chester once received an award for memorizing and perfectly recalling an entire deck of playing cards in less than 90 seconds. Someone asked if he had ever used his talent in Las Vegas, to which he replied that he is on the Las Vegas casinos' watch list.

May 16: Evening meeting. Dick Bugarske, Prune Pickers, Then and Now

During the evening meeting, Dick spoke about the history of the Prune packers based on his recent web search of period news articles in the Healdsburg Tribune.



The Healdsburg Prune Baseball Club was founded in 1921, two years before the birth of our Kiwanis Club. After a successful beginning, the Prune Packers were inactive during the depression and World War II years. The team had a rebirth in 1951 and had a successful run during the 1950's until it faded again in the 1960's. Dick's search found many interesting news articles and photographs of the team during this period. Several of our long-time

Healdsburg residents recognized many of the player's names and faces. Several Kiwanis members were on the team at various times including our third president, Frank Corrick, Francis Passalacqua, Clarence Ruonavaara and current Kiwanian, Ron Puccioni.



The Prune Packers in the early 1950's

The present-day Healdsburg Prune Packers Baseball Club was formed in 2014. The Prune Packers are a wood-bat, collegiate summer baseball team, whose roster consists of college players of the highest skill level, from predominantly Division I college programs, honing their skills over the summer for the next level of baseball. The organization's mission is "to provide student athletes with a positive learning experience that develops their social, academic and athletic skills while providing fans with the finest amateur baseball and a rollicking good time!"

<http://www.prunepackers.org>

May 23: Honor and Recognition of our HHS Students of the Month

Kiwanis members welcomed the Kiwanis 2016-2017 Healdsburg High School Students of the Month to our May 24 lunch meeting. A male and female student are honored for each of the 10 months of the school year for a total of 20 students. Most of the students were accompanied by parents or other family members making for a very large crowd. Patti was up to the task and reported that a total of 69 plates were filled.

Each student was asked to introduce themselves and tell us about their family, highlights of their HHS career, their most influential teacher(s), and plans for next year. They were also asked what they would tell us if they are our guest speaker in 2030. Photographs of the students are shown on Pages 6 and 7.

May 30: Glen Weaver, Director - Free Bookmobile of Sonoma County.

Glen originated the Free Bookmobile in 2009. Starting out slowly, the service has gained momentum and last year served about 20,000 people in the County including 2,000 in Healdsburg.



"The Free Bookmobile promotes literacy and love of reading by giving away high quality books to people throughout Sonoma County.

As the Sonoma County's only public-access bookmobile, we visit low-income children's programs and senior housing on the weekdays, and rural towns that lack library access on the weekends. At each stop, patrons come aboard and choose books to take home, to read with their families, perhaps to pass on to friends when they're done. No catch, no gimmicks...just the gift of the printed word."

www.facebook.com/freebookmobile

Interclubs

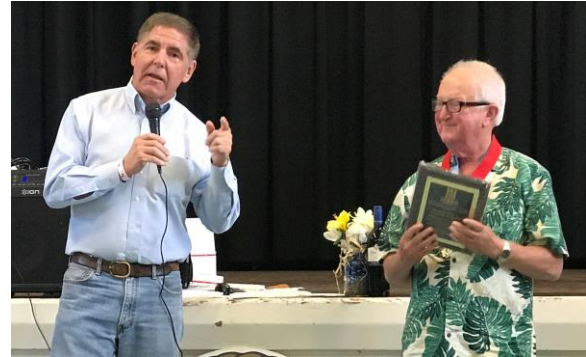
Randy Collins, Susan Sheehy and Terry Kemp attended the CNH Governor's Official Division 32 visit on Saturday, May 6th, at the Kiwanis North Bay Carnival in Cotati.



Lt. Governor Rich Fuller honors Key Club and their leaders



Pete Edwards, Governor of Kiwanis for California - Nevada-Hawaii recognizes Paul Kelley as new Trustee



Randy Collins announces Healdsburg recipient of Distinguish Service Award to be presented to the recipient at the next regular club meeting



President Randy Collins presents the Distinguished Service Award to Patti Roberts "in appreciation for the many hours of service rendered for Kiwanis and your Community"

Santa Rosa Kiwanis - SRJC Culinary Café, May 10.



Patti Roberts, Rita Loskill, Susan Sheehy, Jan Gianni, Cindy Schwartz and SR President Toni Holland

2016/2017 Students of the Month (* denotes scholarship recipients)



Emma Airey (Aug)



Declan Hackett (Nov)



Anthony Merlo (Jan)



Juan Aguilar (Aug)



Amari Giron (Dec)



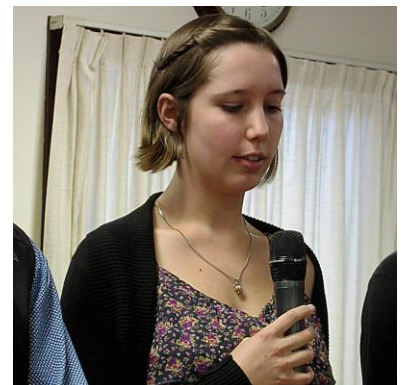
Andrew Nunez (Feb)*



Emmet Dobson (Oct)*



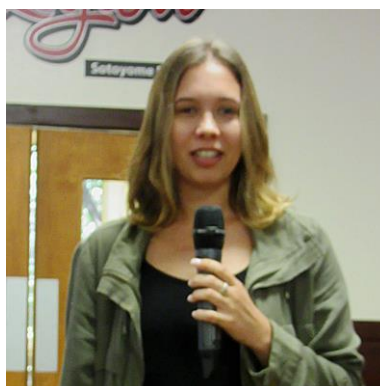
Casper Max (Dec)



Clara McNamara (Feb)



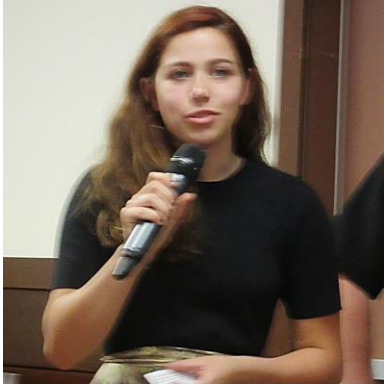
Hannah Chapman (Oct)



Ele Klick (Jan)



Malloy Schaffner (Mar)*



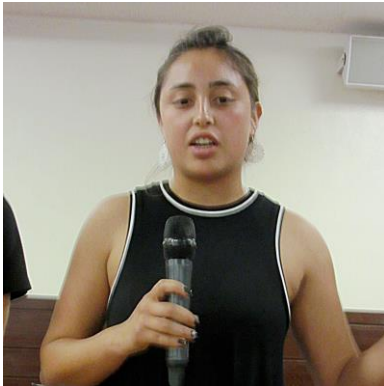
Ryleigh Norgrove (Mar)*



Dylan Von Arx (Apr)



Harrison Williams (May)*



Isabel Nunez (Apr)



Taylor Richardson (May)

Unable to Attend:
 Oliver Davis (Sep)
 Keely Bullock (Sep)
 Zoe Fish-O'Brien (Nov)

Scholarship Winners

Healdsburg Kiwanis awarded the following 2017 HHS seniors a total of \$18,000 in scholarships.

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| Jorge Cervantes | Sydney Craighead |
| Emmet Dobson | Daniel Elizalde, |
| Patricia Martinez | Allan Hambly, |
| Jacob Pruitt | Luis Quezadas, |
| Jonathan Escutia | Malloy Schafner, |
| Dennae Taylor | Harrison Williams |
| Victor Guzman | Andrew Nunez |
| Madison Kooba | Ryleigh Norgrove |

FFA Parade

Hugo Bauer's vintage 1930 Model A truck was unavailable for the parade this year, but Silveira provided a shiny truck. Nine Kiwanis bicyclists along with passengers in the truck had a riotous time, with no reported casualties, participating in the 2017 FFA parade. Susan Sheehy, granddaughter Lily and Judy Everett impersonating clowns also joined the group.



The three clowns
 Judy, Susan and Lily

Post Cards

- Patti Roberts – Catalina Island.
 Jan & Dan Gianni – Minneapolis.
 Susan Sheehy – Pinecrest Lake.
 Kathy Burgess – Mediterranean Cruise

Wishes for a speedy recovery

- Jack Brandt – hip surgery
 Dorothy Anixter – broken foot from fall from ladder

\$\$ Happy/Sad \$\$

Vern Loch sad to miss cemetery cleanup, happy to be in Yosemite instead.

Denny Stead happy to have participated in Marines parade in Petaluma.

Liz Bippart happy to have a new friend – a rescue hound named Skyler.

Loretta Strong sad to report that Dorothy Anixter fell from a ladder and broke her foot in several places.

Patti Roberts happy to have attended a Giants game on Mother's Day

Terry Kemp happy to have attended Lt. Governor training in Rancho Cucamonga.

Randy Collins happy that daughter Emma won a first-place math award at Humboldt State U.

Randy Collins - Kudos to Vern Loch and Denny Stead for their leadership.

A visit to the Children's Museum

A group of children from the Live Oak Nursery School recently visited the Children's Museum of Sonoma County. Our Kiwanis club donated half of the cost of their field trip. Photos provided by Nursery School director Therese Walker.



Fun in the bubble room



Future engineers check out the water system

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