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A New Kiwanis Division 32 Club Welcomed

Susan Sheehy and Dee Whitehall attended the Charter Night Celebration for the new Kiwanis Club of North Bay on February 6. The new evening club fills the gap for people in the Petaluma/Cotati area who can't make the day meetings. The new club of 20 members has chosen to be a 3-2-1 club. Inspired by feedback from current and past members, this club type reflects a desire to meet less and do more. A 3-2-1 club represents three hours of service, two hours of social activity, and a one hour meeting each month.



Members of the new Kiwanis Club of North Bay celebrate at their at Charter Night



Penny Lee Christensen first president of the North Bay Kiwanis Club, Susan Sheehy and Dee Whitehall

Other February Interclubs

Geyserville: Jerry and Loretta Strong, Todd Brandt and Susan Sheehy attended the Geyserville Kiwanis pancake breakfast on February 7.

Calendar

Meeting Dates:

Mar.1: Regular Meeting 12 noon at Villa Annex. Wendy Cilman - Santa Rosa Symphony

Mar.8: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. – Boy Scout Troop 21 Presentation

Mar. 15: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex -Rich Fuller - Key Leader Program

Mar. 17: Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza.

Mar. 22: Evening Meeting 6:30 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex.

Mar. 29: Regular Meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex - Don McEnhill - Russian Riverkeeper

Other March Dates:

Mar.5: DCM, Petaluma Oyster Feed

Mar. 20: Pancake breakfast

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 Susan Sheehy, President at 326-2712 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314

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Happy Birthday

Dorothy Anixter – March 15

Kiwanis Anniversaries

*Congratulations to the following members
who joined the Kiwanis Club during the
month of March*

Jack Brandt - 3-6-79
Harry Jackson - 3-16-04
Michael Laird - 3-16-10
Patti Robarts - 3-16-10
Cynthia Brown - 3-23-10
Judith Everett - 3-23-10
Lucy Lewand - 3-23-10
Susan Sheehy - 3-23-10
Deborah Doble - 3-27-12
Kathy Burgess – 3-31-15
Rachelle Jackson – 3-31-15

The President's Message

We joined Kiwanis to give back to our community, work side by side with our friends and stay active. This month you had every opportunity to fulfill all of these goals. Our contribution of \$1200 to SAY (Social Advocates for Youth) helped to make the Dream Center in Santa Rosa a reality. We have all received a personal invitation to their Open House on March 12th between 3:00-5:00.

Our Lt Gov. Paul Kelley stopped by to cheer us on and we were treated to a visit from the Key Club with Valentine treats that were worth their weight in gold. No, really! It's all for a good cause. Thank you Kiwanis!

Good weather at the Steelhead Festival brought out a big crowd and Jim Schmidt turned out perfectly cooked corndogs every time. We ran out and had to get more. Our faithful friends from Salvation Army pitched in to park the crowds.

We heard from *some* of the beneficiaries at the Lytton Springs Salvation Army program mid-month. Our donation of \$4,176 toward a salad bar will improve the facilities for this life-changing program.

At our board meeting we approved \$1000 towards the Healdsburg Jazz Festival, \$1250 to support the Key Clubbers, \$850 for the AAUW's Tech Trek, became a Field Sponsor of Healdsburg Little league and sent a congratulatory gift of \$500 to our newest Kiwanis Club of the North Bay. Thanks to Rick Norman for helping to create a budget that will guide us throughout the year of giving back.

At the end of the month we saw a video made by students about the Graduation Celebration, the drug and alcohol free party for HHS graduates. Kiwanis will be asked to provide transportation to the party once again. I ended the month with a visit with my three granddaughters in tow to the Children's Museum of Sonoma County. Thirty-nine preschoolers and their parents and teachers from Live Oak Nursery School explored every corner of the museum built just for kids. Everyone's a kid there!

Are you ready for March? There's an Oyster Feeds in Petaluma on March 5th, Healdsburg Elementary preschools visit the Children's Museum of the 9th and get ready to flip those flapjacks on March 20th. Hang on! It's going to get busy around here.

Susan



Live Oak Nursery School children and their parents
visit the Children's Museum on February 24

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 on Thursday February 18, 2016:

Grant requests and expenditures

- Healdsburg Jazz Festival - \$1000.
- Santa Rosa Symphony League - \$1000.
- SAY Tomorrows Leaders Today - \$1200.
- Key Club - \$1,250. Dick Bugarske described this year's lively group of 25-30 students. This is the first year that 3 students will be sent to the Key Club Cal-Nev Convention.
- Lake County fire victims - \$500.
- Little League - \$500 for 'Field Sponsor' status.
- AAUW Tech Trek program - \$850.
- North Bay Kiwanis Club - \$500 from Admin fund to provide start-up funding for the new club.
- Gifts for Salvation Army Speakers at Feb. 16 meeting - \$20.29.
- Tabled requests: YMCA request pending a specific amount requested, Graduation Celebration pending Feb. 22 speaker, and Key Leader pending speaker at future meeting.

Other discussion and action

- Treasurer Brian Wells reported the Administrative Fund balance as of 1/31/16 was \$10,561.
- Rick Norman has prepared a Budget Report using Kiwanis donation records of amounts in excess of \$500 from 2010 – 2015. The Board appreciated this information that will help in planning going forward.
- Rick Anixter made a proposal for a Kiwanis-sponsored New Year's Eve party/fundraiser to be held at the Villa. A motion was passed setting aside \$9,000 for immediate expenses to secure a band and caterer; and stipulated that we make the final approval to move forward 60 days prior to the event.
- Veronica Velez is creating a flyer for our upcoming community club mixer "Munch & Mingle" on Tuesday, April 26th.

Meeting Programs

February 2: Caitlin Childs - Communications Manager - Social Advocates for Youth

Caitlin Childs, our February 2 speaker described the programs and services provided by Social Advocates for Youth (SAY). Founded in 1971 SAT's mission is to provide "support,



opportunities and hope to children, youth and families. We are dedicated to creating and supporting a caring community where all children, youth and families grow, thrive and succeed." saysc.org

To accomplish their mission, SAY provides three basic services: Housing, Counseling, Jobs.

Housing

- Say recently opened their new Dream Center locate in the old Warwick Hospital in Bennet Valley. The center is home to the administrative offices and provides counseling, life and career readiness programs, and affordable housing for up to 40 youth. Planned expansion will eventually house up to 63.
- Tamayo Village is a similar housing facility for former foster youth and young adults who may be homeless. It offers an affordable, safe place to live, case management, job & educational support, counseling referrals, and mentoring.
- The Dr. James E Coffee House Teen Shelter provides a respite for families in crisis and family reunification services for runaway and homeless youth and their families. Short-term shelter, food, counseling, and referrals for youth and their families are provided.

Counseling

- Individual and family therapy for youth ages 5-25 and their families.
- Functional Family Therapy, a proven family therapy model for youth ages 10-18 and their families.
- Girls Circle, a model of structured support groups promoting girls strengths and connection with peers, designed to foster self-esteem and allow for self-expression through discussion and activities.

Jobs

- SAY's College and Career Readiness Program offers work-based learning programs at high schools throughout Sonoma County.
- Work-based learning (WBL), an educational approach that links learning in the workplace to learning in the classroom.
- Esperanza Resource Services: Job assistance, educational support, mentoring, social activities, field trips, community service opportunities, work experience and tattoo removal for youth ages 14-24.
- YouthLink Youth Employment and Education Services: Free, county-wide education and employment services for youth ages 16-24.

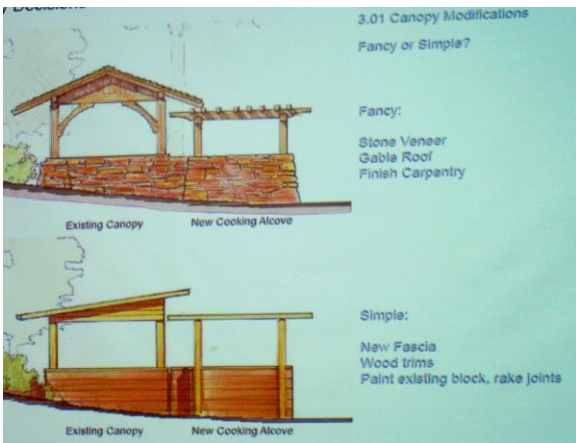
February 9:

Troop 21 Eagle Scout candidate **Henry Dreiling** reported progress on his Eagle Scout Service Project. The project involves the much needed renovation of the Villa Chanticleer picnic area that will include renovations and repairs to the kitchen and pit, additional grills and landscape enhancements.



Henry explains the picnic area improvement plans

The conceptual planning is completed and the next phase will involve finding people and suppliers, meetings to discuss final design decisions, budgeting and working out final design details with the Architect. People needed to accomplish the work, in addition to the scouts and other volunteer laborers, will require trades and skills including carpenters, masons, painters, electricians plumbers, etc. Donors are being sought to furnish supplies including building materials and equipment.



Alternative concepts for kitchen canopy modifications

Many of the planning decisions will be influenced by the budget that is now being prepared.

Paul Kelley, Div. 32, Lt. Governor gave an inspirational talk during his official club visit.



Lt. Governor Paul Kelley speaks to the members

Key Club baked goods sale.

Javier Aguilar of the HHS Key Club brought several plates of brownies and other baked goods to the meeting for auction. Ace auctioneer Denny Stead succeeded in squeezing \$250 from the members for the key club.

February 16: Members of the Salvation Army Lytton Adult Rehabilitation Center (ARC) share life stories

In his introductory remarks, Lt. Joe Alvarez stated that the ARC is in the recycling business. Donated items are processed and sold in the stores, but more importantly, the program recycles people and restores to them to satisfying and productive lives. At the ARC, the men commit to the six month program and work their way through the program by a rigorous combination of work therapy – helping in the daily operations of the center and the family store recycling program – and counseling, Bible Study, anger management classes, chapel services and more. They also learn how to have fun again without resorting to alcohol or other illegal substances.



Two of the ARC beneficiaries in very moving and inspirational testimonies, described their journey from rock bottom to the road to recovery.

Terence, age 42, described how he had hit rock bottom, losing everything including wife, friends and job. He was numb and only wanted the pain to go away. At the ARC he has found a family of 72 brothers and has let Christ into his life. He has learned that it is ok to smile and have fun again.

Carl, Age 52, has been battling alcoholism for 35 years and has been in and out of AA, the 12 steps, and many treatment and rehab facilities. None of these programs really worked for Carl and he always felt that something was missing. At the ARC he has found that elusive thing in his life. The activities, companionship and prayer have filled the emptiness.



Healdsburg Kiwanis presents a check for \$4176 to the Salvation Army Lytton Springs Adult Rehabilitation Center for the purchase of a new salad bar

Pictured are ARC Administrator/Pastor Lt. Joe Alvarez, ARC beneficiary Carl M., ARC program secretary Veronica Velez, Kiwanis Club president Susan Sheehy, ARC beneficiary Terence G. and ARC interface coordinator Patrick Thompson

February 26: Evening Meeting. Susanne Esquivel – Graduation Celebration

Ms. Susanne Esquivel, a guest at the February 26 meeting discussed the Healdsburg High School Graduation Night Event and showed a video of students enjoying the 2015 event. The party is now in its 25th year and will again be held at the Rohnert Park Driven Raceway. About 125 out of a graduating class of 150 are expected to attend.

Driven Raceway is a family entertainment facility providing indoor cart racing, mini bowling, mini golf and arcade features with a variety of video and redemption games. The Hot Rod Café provides pizza, drinks, and assorted snacks.



Our club has been providing the transportation. This year 3 busses will be needed at \$400 each.

Susan Sheehy described her efforts as the founding leader of the event for the class of 1992. She said that was where she learned how to throw a party.



Denny Stead presents a certificate of appreciation to the club for support of the US Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program
Denny noted that 16,800 toys were donated last year

Steelhead Festival

A Kiwanis crew headed by Denny Stead cooked and sold garlic fries and corn dogs at the annual Steelhead Festival at Lake Sonoma on Saturday February 14. The weather was perfect and a crowd of about 5500, turned out and many were hungry. The business was brisk for most of the day until supplies were exhausted. Gross sales totaled \$1750 for a net of \$1161 after expenses. Last year's net was \$925.

Denny greatly appreciates and extends thanks to the 21 members who showed up and pitched in during the day.



\$\$Happy/Sad\$\$

Liz Bippart sad John had a bad fall but happy the CAT scan was negative.

Roger Dormire happy that Kiwanis is spelled correctly on new aprons.

Denny Stead sad to admit that Kiwanis was spelled wrong on aprons he had ordered several years ago.

Susan Sheehy happy to get a senior lifetime National Park pass for \$10 while visiting Muir Woods with grandchildren.

Rich Thomas happy to show off picture of nice steelhead he caught on the Umpqua River.

Paul Kelley happy to be a grandfather for the first time.

Randy Collins happy to report on an enjoyable winter camping trip to Yosemite where he spent the night sleeping on hard packed snow in a snow cave.



Current and Past Presidents sing a special happy birthday to Randy Collins

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Three Kiwanis Volunteer Opportunities



Join the Healdsburg Community Nursery School students when they visit the Children's Museum of Sonoma County, Monday, Feb. 22nd at 9:30 am. Pres. Susan hopes some of our members can make it!



"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."
-Dr. Seuss

**Read Across America
March 2nd**

Come join our City Council members and others in the Healdsburg community and spend 30 minutes reading some great books to 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at Fitch Mt. School on Wed. March 2nd from 9-11 am as they celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Contact Dick Bugarske if you are interested and he will make the connection to set up your reading time.

**Healdsburg Science Fair
March 5 - 10**



The Healdsburg Science Fair is looking for volunteers next month.

- 10:30-2:30 pm at HJH on Tech Day - (Saturday, March 5th)
- 2:00-8:00 pm at Villa on Reg. Day #1 - (Sunday, March 6th)
- 7:00-9:00 am at Villa on Reg. Day #2 - (Monday, March 7th)
- 9:00 am-7:00 pm at Villa as Docent - (Wednesday, March 9th)
- 11:00 am-7:00 pm at Villa as Docent - (Thursday, March 10th)

Contact Dick Bugarske if you are interested and he will make the connection to set up your volunteer time.