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Earth Day

Summarized from the Kiwanis International Magazine article

April 22 was the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Our daily activities might look different during these times, but there are still so many ways we can work together – virtually - to help our planet. The good news: Everyone can help the environment, even with small actions.

1. Ditch plastic

The prolific use of plastic in our world is staggering. Humans have created some 8.3 billion metric tons of the stuff, the equivalent of 800,000 Eiffel Towers. Plastic pollution is a problem because of its long-lasting effects — this petroleum-based, man-made material never fully degrades. According to estimates by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, one plastic bottle takes at least 450 years to break down. Find additional ways to reduce your plastic waste and more at Earth Day Network’s End Plastic Pollution campaign.



2. Eat a plant-based diet

Transitioning to a plant-based diet is one of the most significant actions we can take to reduce our individual carbon footprint. Animal agriculture accounts for at least 14% of global greenhouse gas emissions, according to the United Nations’ Food and Agriculture Organization, and is one of the largest sources of methane emissions, an extremely potent greenhouse gas.

3. Travel smarter

The transportation sector generates the largest share of greenhouse gas emissions, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. For every mile you don’t drive, you reduce your carbon footprint by one pound. Flying is also extremely carbon intensive — though it makes up only about 2% of global human-caused greenhouse gas emissions, its hour-for-hour carbon footprint for every individual is unmatched. (It’s also an emitter typically reserved for the global elite, raising the issues of climate justice and inequality.)

4. Register for an Earth Day event

The power of mobilization in civil society cannot be overstated. Just look at the first Earth Day, when 20 million individuals came together to demand increased protections for our planet. History was made on April 22, 1970, and it’s a history that we have marked every year since.

5. Plant a tree

Trees filter the air and stave off the effects of climate change. Trees also reverse the impacts of land degradation; provide food, energy and income to communities; and act as one of the world’s most natural carbon sinks.

6. Participate in a cleanup

Cleanups are a great way to see the extent of our waste problem. Spend 10 minutes cleaning up your favorite park and discover how much waste is right in front of us.



Calendar

Meeting Dates:

May 5: 11:30- 1:00 by Zoom.

May 12: to be determined.

May 19: “

May 26: “

May 21: Board of Directors meeting, by teleconference.

May 21-23: FFA Parade and Fair-Canceled.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex except the last Tuesday of the month is an evening meeting, 6:30 PM Social, 7:00 PM Meeting.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club Contact Terry Kemp, President at (707) 272-8849 or Liz Bippart, secretary at 227-4314.

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Happy Birthday

Brian Wells- May 2

Jason Boaz – May 2

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Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

Tim Tuscany - 6-3-97

Tom Rackerby - 6-16-92

Corrine Salazar-Rose 6-19-18

Robert Taylor - 6-24-86

Richard Thomas - 6-24-08

The President’s Message

Happy Mayday,

Sounds appropriate, MAYDAY, MAYDAY. I hope that all are well and that you are able to enjoy your yards in this beautiful weather. We have been taking our resident's outside to visit with the goats and to watch the new garden being planted. It is nice to watch the residents bloom a little.

We have been learning how to ZOOM and I think that our Board meeting went well. Dick will be working on getting all of us connected so that we can attempt to still have our meetings.

After all of these years I am trying to learn how to cook. I haven't been hospitalized yet so I must be doing something right. The other thing that I have discovered is the reason Highballs at 4 pm are a good ritual. We are still healthy here at Healdsburg Senior Living with no virus so far.

I miss all of you beyond words. I look forward to seeing your faces.

Take care. Big virtual hugs,

Terry

Healdsburg Kiwanis 100th anniversary

Our 100th anniversary is coming up and we need to start making plans early. This will be a very big event. Here is a list of some thoughts offered by Denny Stead so members can get on board as well.



2023 - Our 100th Year

Ideas for our 100-year Anniversary

An “All hands event”

By Denny Stead

- We declare Kiwanis Day through a City Council Proclamation.
- Event in Plaza.
- Events all through the year.
- All Kiwanis Clubs participate (especially the 8 clubs we sponsored).
- FFA parade participation with floats and other Kiwanis Clubs participating. Need a theme? Kiwanis provides Grand Marshall?
- Invite our International President, Ca-Nev-Ha Governor, our Lt. Governor.
- Need sponsors.
- Special commemorative pins.
- Key Club participation.
- Have an idea? Present it at a future regular meeting dedicated to planning for our “100th Anniversary”.
- Form committees for food, decorations, events, advertising and sponsorships.

Board of Directors Meeting

Summarized from minutes by Liz Bippart

The April Board meeting was held by teleconference via ZOOM while everyone “shelters in place” during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Administration Management

Financials

- The Admin Fund – the fund holds \$6,000. Thirteen members are current on their dues.
- Various scenarios are being discussed with Patti Robarts for possible June meetings. Dick is awaiting a ‘go ahead’ from the City of Healdsburg and re-opening of the Villa Chanticleer facilities. A proposal will be forthcoming with ideas to share with the membership.
- Susan proposed having Zoom meetings with our membership for the time being. Student of the Month honorees can be invited and acknowledged via Zoom.
- Support of our graduating seniors was discussed. Dick will contact Bill Halliday at HHS to ask for ideas. Scholarships will be presented but the mode of doing so is pending. Tim Tuscany suggested a car parade for seniors.

Committee and Event Updates

- Loretta and Dick reviewed the scholarship applications and selected 15 students who will each receive \$1,000 this year. The group includes one of Jack Brandt’s grandchildren, a Brian Wells grandchild and one of Rich Norgrove’s children.

Healdsburg Kiwanis Foundation

Grants/Donations/Requests

- HEF - \$2,000 for distance learning to provide ‘hot spots’ for students without internet access.
- Healdsburg Hospital - \$1,000 for staff meals.
- Healdsburg Food Pantry - \$2,500.
- Corazon Healdsburg - \$2,500.
- Liz suggested giving gift cards to graduating seniors to be used at local eateries such as Amy’s Wicked Slush, Healdsburger, El Sombrero. That

way the gift will be enjoyed by the seniors and come back into the community.

Financials

- The unrestricted fund holds \$22,000 available for requests.
- Due to cancelling of St. Pat’s Day festivities, \$1,500 will be returned to the fund. Proceeds from the Tim Flannery concert of approximately \$8,000 will also be transferred into the account.
- Officially our Pancake Breakfast, FFA and Fitch Mountain Footrace are cancelled this year.
- The Endowment Fund balance is \$11,220.

Members sheltering in place

Roger & Debbie Dormire

By Anna Grant

A big shout out and thank you to Roger & Debbie for all they are doing to feed our Healdsburg population. The food pantry has even started a senior drive thru on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month so seniors can swing by, pop the trunk get loaded up with groceries and goodies, then safely be on their way. Thank you to Roger, Debbie and all the volunteers at the food pantry AWESOME work!!



They are both smiling under those masks

Photo by Anna 4.28.2020

Susan Sheehy



On Palm Sunday when we would have had our Pancake Breakfast, we tried to organize a Virtual Pancake Breakfast and posted on Facebook. We invited people to cook their own pancakes and make a donation to Healdsburg Kiwanis. The online donations totaled \$130.

Nancy Arsenault



Mother and daughter viewing shoes - and beyond

Napa Parks are Open! My daughter and I have missed the fresh air and found out the parks in Napa are open. With a quick drive over the hill to Calistoga, we have made it our mission to try to visit each park in that county. The picture is at Robert Louis Stevenson State Park.

Cheers and stay safe.

Diane Pierce

I have been quarantined with daughter & family in Rockland since this all started, since this all started. Going for long walks daily, playing many games & doing puzzles with triplet grandchildren, have read 5 books. Miss everyone so very much.

Lucy Lewand

What are you sipping during SIP?



I've been enjoying one of my friend's posts every day with a photo of the bottle of wine they are enjoying with dinner and what they made. Another friend takes gorgeous sunset and flower shots, another posts the sunrise, another views at her farm plus many family shots. I'm also enjoying the funny videos, throwback photos, book, movie and TV suggestions... Let me know what's filling your days?

Most of all I'm enjoying planning for your return - my guests - you are my friends and what makes my life sing with joy. Take good care and hope to see you this year!!!

Lucy furnished these "Fun Facts about the Healdsburg Area"

Healdsburg is the proud hometown of a number of Olympic athletes. Ralph Waldo Rose, our county's first known and arguably most successful Olympian, earned six medals; three golds, two silvers and a bronze in three Olympics. Rose was just 19 years old in the 1904 Olympics. You'll see a monument to the athletes in the north-east corner of our Plaza.

Do you know which is our oldest winery? If you guessed Simi Winery, you'd be correct! Two brothers, Giuseppe and Pietro Simi, immigrated to California during the Gold Rush, and set up their winemaking operations in town in 1881. They paid \$2,250 in gold coins to buy a winery on Front Street. It was then run by Giuseppe's

daughter, Isabelle Simi, beginning in 1904; she didn't retire until 1970.

We have a Wine Library. Dedicated in 1989, it is one of the most comprehensive collections of wine information in the world, with photographs, oral histories, ephemera, and over 5,000 books. It's located within our Healdsburg Public Library, and has its own newsletter, and events -- such as wine tastings and presentations.

Luther Burbank was here. This American botanist, horticulturist and the pioneer in agricultural science knew one of the Camellia Inn's first owners, Dr. Seawell. Burbank was responsible for working with the doctor and his wife on the planting of many of the over 50 varieties of camellias that make up the Inn's gardens.

The lovely Russian River was first known among the Southern Pomo Indians as *Ashokawna*: "East water place" or "water to the East." The River takes its current name from the Russian-American Company, which explored the River in the early 19th century and established the Fort Ross colony 10 miles northwest of its mouth. The Russians called it the Slavyanka River, meaning "Slav River."

We weren't always about grapes. In 1924, the Chamber of Commerce sponsored a contest for a new city slogan and chose the winner from over 2,500 entries: "*Healdsburg, The Buckle of the California Prune Belt.*"

Located downtown is the only hand fan museum in the country. Fans were used as fancy fashion accessories, of course, but also in ceremony, dance, and even in Samurai battles.

Don Marshall

Don says check out this video on YouTube about [#SongsOfComfort](#), Yo-Yo Ma's answer to the pandemic crisis facing the world:

<https://youtu.be/4QJ1z7f2wrY>

Denny Stead

Collecting stuff for Brandt's Beach BBQ silent auction, People have been dropping of some items, but we still need a lot more.



Denny also furnished this dumb joke.

A golfer was 26 over par by the eighth hole, had landed a fleet of golf balls in the water hazard and dug himself into a trench fighting his way out of the rough when his caddy coughed during a 12-inch putt.

The golfer exploded. "You've got to be the worst caddy in the world!" he screamed.

"I doubt it," the caddy quipped. "That would be too much of a coincidence."

Harry Jackson

Just hanging out taking care of roses and a bumper crop of weeds.



Missing the grandchildren. The family has decamped to our family property in Humboldt County for the duration. Internet service is unreliable at the cabin so they drive 15 miles up to Horse Mountain so the kids can do their online school near the communications tower. The extra benefit is playing in the snow at recess, but snow is melting fast.



Forrest and Winter Culp at Horse Mountain, Elev. 4950

Cindi Brown

Many of our members know that I'm a beekeeper and avid gardener. My front yard exploded a few weeks ago with tons of foliage for my bees to collect pollen and the backyard is busting with color as well. Since I don't use City water for these beauties, they won't last long. I recycle water and will run out soon. Drive by or stop by to smell the roses.

Randy Collins

General Shelter in Place thoughts:

- A recent study showed 87% of gym members don't even know their gym is closed.
- Shelter's in Place trying times reveal the real people we are for two reasons: Our true emotional character (or lack thereof) emerges and our true physical self emerges as we can't go to the barber, hair stylist, manicurists, spa, etc.
- I realized how much my garbage man cares for my wellbeing when he taped an AA brochure to my garbage after his last pick-up.

Thought for the day

Thanks to Randy Collins

A SMALL-TOWN STIMULUS

A tourist stops at a small-town motel and puts a \$100 bill on the reception counter and asks if he can inspect several rooms before picking one for the night to which the motel owner agrees. As soon as the tourist walks upstairs, the motel owner grabs the bill and runs next door to pay his debt to the butcher.

The butcher takes the \$100 and runs down the street to retire his debt with the pig farmer. The pig farmer takes the \$100 and heads off to pay his feed supplier at the co-op.

The guy at the co-op takes the \$100 and runs to pay his debt to the local hooker who is dealing with the same economy as everyone else and has been offering her services on credit. The hooker rushes off to the motel and pays off her room bill. The motel owner places the bill back on the counter and waits for the tourist to come back from checking out the rooms.

Just about that time the tourist returns to the reception desk and says none of the rooms are satisfactory, picks up the \$100 note and leaves.

No one produced anything, nor did anyone earn anything. However, the whole town is out of debt and can look to the future with more optimism...

And that is how a stimulus package works!

\$\$Happy/Sad\$\$

Via email (members will cough up their \$\$ when we can meet again):

Randy Collins - A sad dollar for my sanity starting to waiver but a happy \$ that I can't believe how many home projects I have been able to accomplish over the last month.

Jim Schmidt - I'm just very happy that none of my children or my friends are having any problems. May it continue!!!!

Harry Jackson happy to thank members who contributed to this newsletter.

Cindi Brown - I would like to give a shout out to Judy Everett for her funny emails. Not sure if the entire club is on her group list but the majority are very funny or interesting.

Pennylee Christensen - North Bay Kiwanis would like to thank Anna Grant & her hubby "Tall Stack," Terry Kemp, Susan Sheehy and her daughter-in-law for coming to shop at our sale! Great to see our Kiwanis family...even behind masks!

Class of 2020 Healdsburg High Scholarships announced

Scholarship Chair Loretta Strong has announced the award of \$1,000 each to the following 15 students.

Alex Dominguez	Avery Billman
Malia Llerena	Christie Skyler
Eva Rosillo	Yasmin Villa
Connor Browning	Jamison Lumetta
Roan Affronti	Sam Norgrove
Sofia Fausone	Karen Ruiz
Samantha Onate	Kevin Trebilcock
Addison Nielsen	

The scholarships will be presented to the students in May. The mode of doing so is under discussion.

North Bay Kiwanis' amazing card sale

THE STORY *By Pennylee*

We are happy that a treasure was gifted to us this month! But sad that the treasure source, Fireside Hallmark – Montgomery Village, closed March 31st, (due to retirement not virus!). I've shopped there for 40+ years. (Gasp! I'm old-ish!). I called two weeks ago, thanking them for years of fun, help, and wonderful shopping ops, apologized for missing their closing event and asked if they needed help. Hallmark Nancy called, thanked me and said, "come by and pick up a few things." Her husband Denny then called & said, "bring bags and a big vehicle." Nancy (ours) and I went in with one bag each. Denny said, "Is that all you brought?"

We "shopped," they refused \$\$\$ and were grateful we were taking their goods. Our haul: 12

grocery bags of stationary sets, many office supplies, envelopes, three large boxes of assorted cards, plus all poster boards and the rack too! We told Nancy & Denny we felt like we were robbing them!

Wished them much happiness in retirement, gave hugs, many thanks and as we were leaving Denny said, "If you think of anything else you want, call us." That night I thought about ALL the project opportunities (ex: when our club did Valentine's Day cards for Meals on Wheels recipients). Called Denny with ideas, and he said, "Yes! Fantastic! Come and get the rest of the cards." We didn't know what to expect so took 2 big trucks this time. They literally gave us ALL the remaining cards, 25 boxes! Plus 4 card carousels, 3 boxes of Halloween decor/party supplies. Photo frames, gift-y things, and more. We guesstimate 10,000+ Hallmark cards.

So...we thought: "Invitation Only" Sale – All cards \$1.00 each. We set up displays on our office deck, here off Farmers Lane in Santa Rosa, and are booking appointments to come and shop.

The Rules: Everyone must wear gloves and face masks and observe social distancing. Cash preferred, all sales final. Bring your own shopping bag.



For appointments, please email or text Pennylee at: 71Briteyes@comcast.net or (707) 695-1266. First come, first serve. Thank you so much!

Proceeds go to North Bay Kiwanis' Scholarship Fund. Scholarships are awarded to Sonoma County students. We have raised \$1141 as of May 1 toward this year's scholarships. Sale ends May 15.



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