



# The Voice of the Vineyards

The Weekly Electronic Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg

“The mission of a bulletin is inform the membership,  
comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable”

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## WELCOME

**President Paul Frechette** called the meeting to order.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Dick Bertapelle** led us reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America



## GUEST INTRODUCTIONS

- **President Paul** welcomed a returning Rotarian, **Pat Williams**.

- Member, **Debbie Mason** introduced her guest, Breanne Beseda.



## QUOTE OF THE DAY

**President Paul** shared a Quote: “What you think, you become. What you feel, you attract, what you imagine, you create”. – Buddha

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Paul** announced:

- ✚ Chamber of Commerce Fair on the Plaza
  - Thursday, October 10th; 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
  - **Don Mitchell** coordinating our club's participation
  - Currently joining **Don** are **President Paul, Fred Roberts, and Kate Buchanan**. Others are invited.
  - We will share a table with the Sunrise club as we've done in the past
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- ✚ Save the Date: Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 2-club Social
  - With the Sunrise Club, we are honoring DG Kathy Flamson at Costeaux
  - Sign-up sheet was distributed
  - Food to be provided by Costeaux Bakery, \$15 per person
  - BYOB, water, tea, coffee, and soft drinks provided by Costeaux

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ Crab Feast:

- **John Hazlett** reminded members to donate 2 bottles of wine from each one's private cellars ('the good stuff'). Please bring in a two-bottle carrier if possible, starting from next Monday's meeting, 14 October.



–**Fred Roberts**

asked that every member sign up to follow up with previous Silent Auction donors and new prospects, as there more contact volunteers needed. **Roberts** reported donations were already beginning to come in as a result of the recent mail campaign. Donation items are to be dropped off at the Exchange Bank, where additional Donation Forms are available. **Roberts** also announced **Grady Wann** will assist with any requests for follow up emails to prospective Donors.



– **John Torres** announced that advertising is available to companies wishing to support the Crab Feast by placing an advert in the Program. Costs are: \$150 for biz card size, \$300 for half-page, and \$600 for full page adverts. **Torres** stated ALL advert copy

was needed by end of October, or first of November latest.

- **John Merget** announced to the Club that ONLY 30 seats in the Silent Auction Room are still available. The Bar AND Live Auction Rooms were completely SOLD OUT!



- **John Avakian** informed the Club that many volunteers are still needed to sign up for Crab Feast Set Up, on Saturday, 14 December. A sign-up sheet was passed around the room.



- **John Torres** our High School organization known as Interact Club, is requesting donations for socks and toiletries to be distributed to those in need. He asked that they be brought to next week's meeting.



- **Mark Decker** requested that all members sign up for automatic pay of \$25 per quarter to fulfill **President Paul's** Club goal to have all members contribute at least \$100 to the Paul Harris Fund.

- **President Paul** announced that he's seeking Club members who would be interested in opportunities to read to children, this is in concert with our Club's participation in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.
- **President Paul** also announced that we need a speaker for Monday, 14 October, and that anyone interested should contact **Barbara Rosen**.
- **Kate Buchanan** requested volunteers for SCRIBE duties for the rest of October and many weeks into November. If willing to assist, please contact **Kate**.



## ROTARY BIRTHDAYS

- ❖ October 4<sup>th</sup> – **Jerry Ogden**'s son's birthday - **Jerry** related the story that when he took his wife to hospital in Modesto, CA, there were so many women in labor that day, many had to wait on gurneys in the hallway. He figured New Year's Eve Party celebrations contributed to the spike in deliveries!



- ❖ October 5<sup>th</sup> – **Grady Wann** – played tennis, got to the finals but did not win. Contributed \$65 to Education Fund



- ❖ October 19<sup>th</sup> – **Gary Anderson** – **Gary** told the Club his mother, his wife, his brother, and his grandson, were all born in October! He pledged \$100 to the Education Fund



- ❖ October 23<sup>rd</sup> – **Mel Schatz** – regrettably was not present at today's meeting

## RECOGNITIONS and HAPPY DOLLARS



- ✓ **Dick Bertapelle:** Lost their dog last week and adopted a 9-week-old Border Collie; his mom celebrated her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday; contributed \$25 to Club general fund

- ✓ **President Paul** celebrated his 46<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with Cher at the Farmhouse Restaurant in September; contributed \$46 to the Club general fund



- ✓ **Patti Mannatt** visited Texas recently. In Austin, she enjoyed the food and an area known as Sixth Street, where she, in one establishment, “danced on a piano like a “pole dancer” needing rent money”; then on the drive to Waco, discovered the joys (and sheer enormity) of a Buc-ee’s Road Stop. Buc-ee’s lives by the “Everything is Bigger in Texas” motto. The world’s largest convenience store chain averages



68,000 square feet, situated on 18 acres, and touts 120 fueling stations. The Buc-ee’s franchise has been called everything from “gas station on steroids” to a “convenience-store chain with a cult following in Texas.” To commemorate the experience, **Patti** bestowed a Buc-ee logo image coffee mug!



- ✓ **Neale Miller** reminded everyone that fellow Club member **Jerry Campbell** is recovering from knee replacement surgery.



- ✓ **George Heath** and his wife, Pam, went to Maui for 12 days to celebrate their 31<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary – contributing \$50 to his Paul Harris

- ✓ **Kate Buchanan** proudly announced Notre Dame soundly defeated Bowling Green, 52 – 0!



- ✓ **Dick Cochran** encouraged everyone to sign up to achieve **Prez Paul**’s Club goal of 100% contribution by the Club members to the Paul Harris fund of \$100 per member

## TRIVIA CONTEST



1. **Trivia Question #1: Top Song of 1948 (Year of Our Club was Founded)**
  - i. Nature Boy: Nat King Cole
  - ii. I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover: Art Mooney
  - iii. Buttons & Bows: Dinah Shore **Winner: Barbara Rosen**

2. **Trivia Question #2: Top Grossing Movie of 1979 (Year of our First Crab Feast)**
  - Rocky 2
  - ✓ Superman: **Winner: John Torres**
  - The Amityville Horror

Winners received a free raffle ticket.

## RAFFLE



- ✓ **Tom Cleland** was holding the lucky number in hopes of winning a swelling pot of \$152. However, he drew a clear marble. **Tom** was nevertheless pleased to receive a fine bottle of Fume Blanc wine as consolation. The pot continues to build for next week's hopeful winner.

- ✓ **Wally Schultz** was presented with the bottle of wine that was out of stock when he won last week's raffle.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- **PREZ Paul** announced that a speaker is needed for next Monday's meeting. If anyone is interested in making a Craft Talk or knows someone who we might enjoy hearing their story, please contact Barbara Rosen
- October 21<sup>st</sup>: Bob Rogers, Past District Governor, Polio Survivor, career pilot with USAir, all-around great guy and motivational speaker

## PROGRAM

**Debbie Mason**, Executive Director, Healthcare Foundation of Northern Sonoma County

**Mason**, a fellow Club member, announced to the Club that she resigned from her position at Healthcare Foundation of Northern Sonoma County, effective last Friday, in order to take an “incredible” position in Sarasota, Florida. She informed us that she was leaving Healdsburg on Tuesday, October 8, to move to Florida.



**Debbie** introduced her replacement, Breanna Beseda, who will attend our Club meetings.

**Mason** was pleased to inform us that the Foundation will be celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year of service delivery in 2020.

**Debbie** went on to enlighten us with the many wonderful services, projects, and programs the Foundation delivers in Northern Sonoma County. She emphasized three primary areas of immediate focus:

1. Mental Health Talent Pipeline: bringing mental health resources to schools, clinics, and non-profits serving the Latino communities
2. Addressing the mental health impact of the wildfires on children and teens, and actively communicating services and available resources to these specific groups
3. Making us aware of a self-help service designed to help survivors who have experienced a recent disaster (such as the 2017 fire storm), learn more about post-disaster stress, and cope more effectively with the effects of the disaster. Two sources: a) Sonoma Rises app; b) MySonomaStrong.com

Club member, **Dr. Anderson**, spoke up and told us what a great source and resource the Foundation is and praised their vast achievements.

Club members recognized **Debbie** by offering a standing ovation for her talk, community contributions, and heartfelt well wishes as she begins her new association in Florida.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no further Club business, **President Paul** rang the closing bell at 1:35PM