



# Rotary Club of Healdsburg

## 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-elect Dick Bertapelle** called the meeting to order and asked **Neale Miller** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. It was also noted that this is Neale’s final meeting before moving back to New Orleans

**VISITING ROTARIANS: None**

### GUESTS of ROTARIANS



- Andy Elkind, guest of **John Hazlett**

- Brad Mitchell, guest of **Jim Westfall**





- Paul Marguglio, guest of **Dave Anderson**



- Dave Fichtner, guest of **Alex Rollins**

- Linda Miller, wife and guest of **Neale Miller**



- Dena Cochran, wife and guest of **Dick Cochran**

- **Pat Swaney**, guest of Al Loebel



~~~ Catering by Patti served luncheon of Taco Salad: 3+ Yums for flexibility to create your own. (Yum scale is from 0 to 5, with 5 being excellent.)



## NEW MEMBER INDUCTIONS

### Tricia Fichtner & Tom Swaney

Tricia was presented by **Alex Rollins**. Tricia and her husband Dave moved to Geyserville from Virginia. She is a teacher and an active community member. Tom was presented by **Al Loebel**. He is an almost-retired attorney. He and his wife Pat have lived part-time in Healdsburg for the last 10 years. **Jim Westfall** presented them with their member handbooks and their red member badges. Their Rotary pins are “in the mail.” Welcome to both Tricia and Tom!



## BIRTHDAYS

- ✓ **John Merget** Jan 04
- ✓ **Torres, John** Jan 09
- ✓ **Drew, Eric** Jan 11
- ✓ **Schultz, Wally** Jan 11
- ✓ **Parker, Nita** Jan 12
- ✓ **Brenton, Jim** Jan 14 (**Jim** pledged \$71 to the Club)
- ✓ **Herschede, Jean** Jan 27
- ✓ **Sullivan, Paul** Jan 28
- ✓ **Bottarini, Rich** Jan 29
- ✓ **Rosen, Barbara** Jan 31



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Update on **President Paul: Dick Bertapelle** reported that **Paul** is making steady progress and staying off the hard drugs. He hopes to get fitted with a walking boot at his next visit to his doctor at Stanford on Wednesday.
- ❖ Upcoming SCARC Dinners – January 30th – Flamingo Hotel, Santa Rosa and February 27th in Cloverdale



❖ Corazón Preschool Fair – February 22nd from 8:30-11:30 – **Don Mitchell** announced our table at the Corazon fair at the Healdsburg Community Center. We will be signing up preschoolers for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Don needs a couple of volunteers to man the table: Spanish speakers a plus!

❖ Valentine’s Luncheon – Tuesday, February 11th – **Doug Garrett** announced that our Valentine’s luncheon will be at Catelli’s Restaurant in Geyserville. The luncheon will take the place of the regular meeting on Monday, February 10. See or email **Doug** to sign up (he will send around a reminder by email). Signups are due by February 4.



❖ Rotary Shirts – **John Merget** is taking orders for Rotary polos and denim shirts. He passed around a signup sheet at the meeting but find him if you want to refresh your wardrobe this round.



❖ West Side School Update - **President-elect Dick Bertapelle** reported on a technology upgrade donation the Club made to Westside School. The new equipment is in use and performing well. Another example of Rotary’s direct benefit to our communities.

## RECOGNITION/HAPPY DOLLARS



**Dave Anderson** reported he called his Aunt to wish her Happy Birthday; she is turning 108 years old!

✦ **Grady Wann** reported he and his wife celebrated their upcoming 35th wedding anniversary in the Caribbean. He pledged \$35 for the anniversary and another \$30 for the 30 scuba dives they took while on vacation.

✦ **Don Mitchell** reported he and his wife celebrated their 41st anniversary. He pledged \$41 to Polio Plus

✦ **Jeff Civian** reported he and his wife celebrated their 30th anniversary. He pledged \$30 to his **Paul Harris**. **Jeff** also recognized **Jim Westfall's** efforts as our Club membership chair and pledged another \$30 to **Jim's** Paul Harris.



## RAFFLE

Linda Miller drew the ticket. **Dick Cochran** won the raffle but did not pick the black marble. He was content with the nice bottle of Simi wine.

## PROGRAM

### Jim Westfall - Hiking the Camino de Santiago



**Jim** gave an informative and very interesting presentation on his and Julie's travels to Spain and Portugal to hike along the trails of the Camino de Santiago. Jim gave us the history and many facts about the pilgrimage and the sights along the way. He illustrated his talk with a great slideshow with pictures along the trails, lodging and other sights along the way. An important Christian pilgrimage route since the Middle Ages, the routes bring walkers to

Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain, where the remains of St. James are said to be interred. On this trip, Jim and Julie walked on the route from Portugal, but in 2017 they walked the entire "French Way" over 40 days, a trip of almost 500 miles!

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- February 3<sup>rd</sup>: Allison Goodwin, Redwood Empire Foodbank