

# 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** – **Paul Frechette**, President

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY:** **Paul Frechette**

**VISITING ROTARIANS**

None

**GUESTS of ROTARIANS**



✓ Paul Marguglio, MD – guest of **Dr. Dave Anderson** (his third meeting)

✓ Andy Elkind—guest of **Tom Colbert** (his third meeting)

**ROTARIAN BIRTHDAYS**

– **Al Loebel** – March 16th b/c no meeting on that date, Al donated \$81 to PolioPlus



– **Patti Mannatt** – April 6th – absent



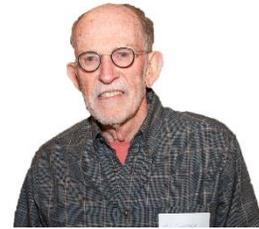
- **Bob Pedroncelli** – April 8th – present, but no ability to hear his voice on Zoom



- **Dick Bertapelle** --April 15th – Donated \$100, split between the Club in honor of his birthday, and PolioPlus to honor **Dr. Dave Anderson** for his many contributions

- **Jerry Eddinger** --April 16th – absent

- **Tom Swaney** --April 25th – Donated \$100 to the Club



- **Jeff Civian** -- April 27th - absent

## HOW OUR CLUB SUPPORTS ORGANIZATIONS AFFECTED BY THE PANDEMIC:

- Because of the pandemic there are significant budgeted donations/expenses we will not incur this Rotary year.
- Our Board of Directors is contemplating redirecting budgeted funds to organizations that need assistance.
- The items that are budgeted but will not happen this year are as follows:
  - Healdsburg High School Graduation “Safe” party post-ceremony
  - Healdsburg High School Freedom Day
  - Healdsburg Easter Egg Scramble (a hunt, or “scramble”, for young children)
  - District 5130 Conference
  - Rotary International Hawaii Conference
- So far this Rotary year, our club has provided significant donations to the following (more than \$40,000 has been provided to these organizations in the aggregate):
  - Alliance Medical Center
  - Corazon
  - Farm to Pantry
  - Geyserville Volunteer FD
  - Healdsburg Food Pantry
  - Reach for Home
- Our club’s board will meet this month to determine how these budgeted funds should be redirected

## RECOGNITION/HAPPY DOLLARS

- 🌈 **Ric Helthall:** He and his wife Georgia are celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary, and it is his wife’s birthday this month. To honor those two events, he donated \$200 to PolioPlus



✚ **Fred Roberts:** Fred's father turns 95 this month and carrying over his late mother's practice of honoring "birthdays plus 1", Fred donated \$96 to PolioPlus. Fred explained the extra "1" was his mom's way of saying "and 1 more for good luck"

✚ **Paul and Judy Jones** have returned from Arizona, stopping only for gasoline on the way home. He's happy to be back and donated \$50 to PolioPlus.



✚ **Alex Rollins** told a story of how she was once a budding artist in Junior High and High School. She gave it up, and just recently has decided to revisit this inner talent. She has purchased painter's accoutrements (she showed us the paint) and has decided to donate funds when she reaches certain milestones. The first milestone is purchasing the paint, etc., and she donated \$60 to the Education Fund.



✚ **Grady and Jane Wann** are still ensconced in snowy Colorado, where they have their second home near their daughter and grandchild. Grady donated \$25 to PolioPlus.

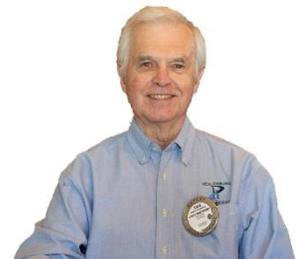


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **John Hazlett** informed the club that there is a car parade this Wednesday at 12:45, with cars decorated as you wish (or not...). There will be a procession of cars to the Hospital, across the street, where hospital workers will be acknowledged and honored for their incredible service. The meeting spot is the Healdsburg Community Church on University Avenue. Be there!



❖ **Dr. Dave Anderson** provided some updates on the Healdsburg District Hospital. **Dave** is on the board of the hospital, so is in the know about such things. He said there is no truth to the recent rumors that the Hospital is about to go out of business. Is it experiencing dire financial difficulties as a result of the Covid-19 situation? Absolutely. **Dave** said there are no Covid-19 patients at the hospital at this time. The hospital has administered 87 Covid-19 tests, all of which have been negative. **Dave** also reported that 17 confirmed cases of Covid-19 have been reported from Windsor to the Sonoma/Mendocino County line.



- ❖ **Paul Frechette** informed the meeting participants that DG Kathy Flamson will be sending an email to all District Rotarians this week (probably Tuesday). This will be to inform all District Rotarians about The Global Impact Group, a collaboration of Rotary International and other organizations. This initiative provides training for people (especially Rotarians!) to ultimately assist the needy in our general area. The training includes education for telephone work, and for hands-on work where people are interested in providing these services. Stay tuned for the email from Kathy Flamson, as this is a potentially great way for individuals to get involved in a meaningful way.

## PROGRAM

**Doug Garrett** “Borneo, Amazing Wildlife and Threatened Environment”

**Doug Garrett** shared photos and narrated his and his wife Theresa’s recent trip to Borneo. **Doug** shared the challenges facing the region association with the replacement of large areas of tropical rainforest with palm oil plantations. **Doug’s** photos included orangutans, other primates and the birds and other animals of the region. The photos were simply fabulous and showed really well on our Zoom screens. Thank you, **Doug!**

