



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”

Author: **Alex Rollins**

Editor/Publisher: **George Heath**

March 8, 2021

WELCOME – President Dick Bertapelle

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ric Helthall (à la Austin Powers)

VISITING ROTARIANS

- None

GUESTS of ROTARIANS

- ✓ Brooke Ross – Guest of **Emily Martin**
- ✓ George Lawson – Guest of **Dick Bertapelle**
- ✓ Turner Newton – Guest of **Graham Freeman**

THOUGHT OF THE DAY – Anniversary of the Selma Civil Rights March – 1965

“When I was 15 years old and in the tenth grade, I heard of Martin Luther King, Jr. Three years later, when I was 18, I met Dr. King and we became friends. Two years after that I became very involved in the civil rights movement. I was in college at that time. As I got more and more involved, I saw politics as a means of bringing about change. John Lewis

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

Jim Westfall welcomes **Turner Newton** who bravely showed up to the meeting after a 19-hour drive from Telluride. **Turner** received a virtual applause from all members and he will receive will Red badge when we all meet in person again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **Green Hair Day – PolioPlus – Dick Cochran** – There will be a live Green Hair event on March 17 at 7:00 AM! Due to Pandemic risks the event will have limited attendance but we will meet outside Costeaux as we have in the past. If you are interested in having your hair painted green contact **Dick Cochran** at richardcochran003@gmail.com

- ✚ **Arts & Culture Master Plan** – George Lawson invited participation to take the survey <http://bit.ly/healdsburgartsurvey> . participate in a virtual community conversation or attend a panel art discussion. Refer to email sent by **President Dick** dated 3/4/21 for more information.
- ✚ **SNAP nurses Need rides** – Contact **Mike Potmesil** for volunteer opportunities.
- ✚ **World Water Day Cleanup – Fred Roberts** - Russian Riverkeepers Cleanup Day, Saturday, 20 March, 9.00AM to 11.00, Parking lot South End, Veterans Memorial Beach. www.southukiahrotary.org
- ✚ **Club Services Socials - Doug Garrett**
 - MacRostie Winery this coming Friday 3/12
 - Taste of Geyserville Thursday 4/8 at 3:00 PM at the home of **Alex & Paul Rollins**. RSVP by sending an email to **Doug Garrett** at pdotmail@gmail.com
- ✚ **Board Meeting – March 15 10am**
- ✚ **SCARC Meeting** – hosted by Valley of the Moon Rotary March 25 5:30pm

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- **Richard Norgrove** **Mar 06** – Not present
- **Tom Cleland** **Mar 07** – Happy to see Grandkids and Granddogs after a year, pledged \$80.00 for the Education Fund and \$100 to Green Hair Day
- **John Holt** **Mar 13** - Not present
- **Dick Cochran** **Mar 19** – Pledged \$78 for Green Hair Day
- **John Hazlett** **Mar 25** – Pledged double his birthday (? 😊) \$82.00 to Green Hair Day

HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION

- ❖ **Paul Frechette** – In recognition of 1 year of virtual meetings pledged \$100 to Green Hair Day hoping we can meet in person again soon.
- ❖ **John Hazlett** – Another pledge in recognition of his Mendocino stay at Little River Inn
- ❖ **Fred Roberts** - Was feeling guilty; \$317 for not being able to attend Green Hair Day
- ❖ **Paul Jones** – On behalf of his cousin who suffered from Polio gave \$50 to Green Hair Day
- ❖ **Prez Dick Bertapelle** – In honor of the University of Michigan’s defeat donated \$50 to Green Hair Day
- ❖ **Doug Garrett** – Echoing the basketball theme pledged \$59 to Green Hair Day
- ❖ **Tom Swaney** - \$50 to Green Hair Day

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Margaret Sluyk, CEO, Reach for Home

Executive Director for Reach for Home

This year's Theme - Creating hope in 2021

Primary goals are outreach, street medicine and housing. Examples of assistance provided are winter shelter, laundry services, transportation, shelter placement, housing supplies & advocacy. Volunteer Nurses assist with medical needs like wellness checks, medication management, COVID supplies, wound care, accompanying patients to their appointments and serving as their advocate.

Rent subsidies, teaching people budgeting skills, career development, childcare, utility payments, parenting, affordable housing applications and deposit assistance.

Thanks to fundraising efforts they were able to acquire a mobile health unit where they can tend to low income and homeless patients. They hope to expand it to provide further services such as computer access, veterinary access, weather relief, etc. They are also building an ADA compliant unit and a navigation center at the Victory apartments.

Current needs: Equipment, furniture and supplies for navigation center, medical supplies, office supplies, etc.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Mar. 15th: Glaydon de Freitas, CEO, Corazón Healdsburg
- Mar. 22nd: Marcus Shelby, Artistic Director, Healdsburg Jazz Festival
- Mar. 29th: Tallia Hart, CEO, Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce

CLOSING

President Dick thanked Members and Guests, then declared the meeting closed.