

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 - Barbara Rosen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Lucia Varela



VISITING ROTARIANS



David Kittner (Oakland)

Rollie Atkinson (Sebastopol)

GUESTS

Dick Cochran introduced wife Dena, daughter Courtney and son-in-law Ronald Du Preez





➤ **Jim Westfall** introduced Jamie Campoverde and his wife Donna

> President Barbara Rosen acknowledged the visit of former member, Roger Olson





➤ **Kevin Burke** introduced Healdsburg Interim Chief of Police Matt Jenkins

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION by Tricia Fichtner

 New members Courtney Cochran and Jamie Campoverde were welcomed into the club by Trisha Fichtner and their respective sponsors, Dick Cochran and Jamie Campoverde



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Roberts called Jessie Pine for an update on his cycling trip in support of Shelter Box. Jesse made it to Seattle on July 11 and has been waiting for Canada to open its border. Thus, he made a change of plans and this Wednesday he is flying to Alaska to start a 15,000 miles trip through Alaska and into Canada. **Jean Herschede** and her husband crossed path with Jessie in Washington.



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- ✓ **Kate Buchanan** (July 4)
- ✓ **Doug Garrett** (July 7 Anniversary)



✓ **John Hazlett** (July 21)

HAPPY DOLLARS

- **❖ Fred Roberts** \$ 81 to the Club for having his grandson visit from Dubai.
- ❖ Paul Frechette \$50 to John Hazlett's Paul Harris Fellows account to thank John for his help in installing a tank for recycle water.





- ❖ Norm Fujita \$ 74 to Paul Harris for his 42nd wedding anniversary and for catching a 32-pound salmon.
- ❖ **Jean Herschede** \$50 to Paul Harris for a wonderful hiking trip through Washington State.



TODAY'S PROGRAM: Club Assembly

Update on where has the club been and where we are going

Treasurer - Mark Decker



The club has its own Healdsburg Rotary Foundation composed of two funds: 1) Community Fund and 2) Scholarship Fund

The Healdsburg Rotary Foundation administered this year \$90,201.40 \$46,800 High school scholarships \$22,700 Junior college scholarships \$200 – Library fund For a total of \$72,000 in scholarships

The club has an investment account of \$703,000 Club Income \$58,453
Operating Costs \$81,000
Reserve \$25,000 + \$8,000

Crab Feast – Paul Frechette

The Crab Feast is the club's mayor fund raiser. A net of \$71,000 was raised at the last feast with an attendance of 345 persons. As of now, this year's Crab Feast will take place in December. Stay tune, by late October the committee will know if the organization will be the same as in previous years.

Club Services – Doug Garrett

The goal of the Club Services Committee is to engage the membership. With that purpose the following events are organized:

- Valentine's day luncheon
- Help Sunrise on the 4th of July
- Lunch at the Senior Center on Thanksgiving
- Dinner in December to celebrate the Holiday Season
- On August 3rd we are sponsoring Music in the Park at the Healdsburg Plaza. We will have a canopy and pizza.
- Packers Game outing.

Doug welcomes your ideas for future events.



The aim is to project an imagine through various communication venues that reflects the club's values and mission. Alex and Doug Garrett participated on a survey on the publicity of our Club and the communication among members. The club is doing most of the items suggested in the survey. For example: postings on the website, email blasts, announcements, newsletter, voice of the vineyard, etc. One





item for future consideration is the Vision Session where all members discuss the vision of the club.

Membership – Tricia Fichtner

It is the job of all members to recruit new members. Tricia thanked Jim Westfall for a very helpful and smooth transition. Tricia is looking for Mentors that would guide new members that join the club without a sponsor.



Youth Services – Kellie Larson

A principal task of the Youth Services Committee is to review applicants. Youth Services also organizes several events:

- Interact to train future Rotarians. Kellie thanked Don Mitchell for his participation.
- Freedom Day organized at the end of the school year with a barbecue at Villa Chanticleer.
 Participants are taught interview skills, scholarship application writing, and martial arts.



Community Service – Fred Roberts

This year we refurbished decks, picnic tables and benches in several locations. Examples were the rehabilitation of the garden in Geyserville Elementary School and the Healdsburg Rose Garden. In total 15 projects were conducted: 10 Hand-on activities and 5 club donations. Fred is planning to do more activities in the coming year and is accepting volunteers.

President Barbara Rosen mentioned that in collaboration with the Sunrise Club we applied for a District Grant to partner with Land Path for future community projects. In September we will know if the grant was approved.

Programs – Andy Elkind

Andy thanked his committee members and also thanked Jean Herschede for recruiting a speaker from the State Department. A variety of interesting and informed speakers have been booked until the end of September. Some highlights:



- August 16 A representative of the US Department of State will give a presentation on US Relations with Central America
- August 23 Hosted at the Foppiano and Family Winery. Bo Simon, retired Healdsburg librarian and Louise Foppiano will talk on Passion and Resilience. Tasting will follow.

Rotary Foundation – Dick Cochran

For clarification the club has two foundations: 1) Healdsburg Rotary Foundation and 2) Rotary Foundation (President Barbara Rosen proposed calling the later Rotary International Foundation)

A goal of the Rotary Foundation is for each member to donate \$100. The fund goes to ending Polio worldwide. The major fund raiser is Green Hair Day. You can become a Benefactor by giving to the Foundation in your will or trust. Donations to Rotary Foundation:

Annual Fund/Paul Harris Fellow \$6,200
 Polio Plus \$ 39,000 (Our club was #7 among 47 clubs in the region).



CLOSING

President Barbara thanked members and guests and gaveled the meeting closed.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- July 26 Eric Drew on Ghost buildings of Healdsburg
- August 2 Barry Cogbill and Katrina Zavalney on Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Committee