

# 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 Barbara Rosen**



**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** led Norm Fujita

## GUESTS OF THE CLUB

- ❖ John McCaull, our speaker of the day

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **Pres Barbara** talked about the need for masks when indoors and emphasized the need to get fully vaccinated. It is a troubling time for young children about to get back to school and for those who are immune compromised.
- ✚ **Pres Barbara** also raised the possibility of going back to zoom meetings for the Club.

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

- ✚ **Janet Ziedrich** was inducted by Membership Chair, **Tricia Fichtner**, along with her sponsor, **John Avakian**



## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

### July Birthdays:

- ✓ **Jaime Campoverde** 7/24 pledged \$97 in honor of his mother-in-law.



### Anniversaries:

- ✓ **Mike Potmesil** 7/13 – hoping for attendance at meeting to pay up!
- ✓ **John Hazlett** 7/21

### August Birthdays:



- ✓ **Mark Decker** 8/15 – pledge \$71 to support Paul Harris

- ✓ **John Avakian** 8/16 – pledged \$100 to the Community Foundation



- ✓ **Joe Sobolewski** 8/19 – not present today
- ✓ **Tim Regan** 8/23– not present today
- ✓ **Brent Stanley** 8/24– not present today
- ✓ **Cathy King** 8/25– not present today
- ✓ **Fred Roberts** 8/25– not present today
- ✓ **Dieter Thurow** 8/27– not present today
- ✓ **Tricia Fichtner** 8/28

**Anniversaries:**



✓ **Tricia Fichtner** 8/12 – pledged \$43 to the Community Fund

✓ **Kellie Larson** 8/16 – pledged \$26 to the Club

✓ **Mark Decker** 8/24

✓ **Eric Drew** 8/29



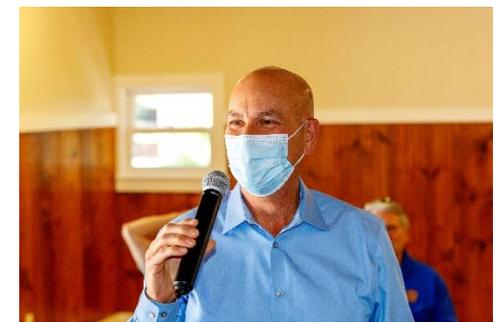
**HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION:**

➤ **Andrew Sturmfels** pledged \$55 to the Scholarship Fund



➤ **Janet Ziedrich** pledged \$41 to the Club fund

➤ **Paul Sullivan** pledged \$50 to the Community Fund as he left his badge at home



➤ **Jean Hershede, Pres Barbara** and **Rich Bottarini** pledged a combined total of \$25 to the Community Fund

➤ **Rich Bottarini** pledged \$70 to the Scholarship Fund in recognition of his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and an additional \$200 to Polio Plus from a friend.



- **Jerry Eddinger** pledged \$110 in recognition of the timely completion of the Matheson building project



- **Dick Bertapelle** pledge \$50 to the Community Fund after a great holiday cruise in Chesapeake Bay

- **Paul Frechette** pledged \$25 to the Community Fund following his rather wet holiday and also wanted to recognize **John Torres** with a \$50 donation to the Community Fund for wearing his Rotary pin on a recent trip



- **Doug Garrett** pledged \$50 to the Community Fund in recognition of finally reaching a much-improved internet bandwidth of 50 Mbps!

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

### John McCaull, Land Acquisition Director, Sonoma Land Trust



In Sonoma County, it's all about the land. Sonoma Land Trust believes that the land is the heart of the community, and that when our land is healthy, our community is healthy.

Sonoma Land Trust is a local, non-governmental, nonprofit organization funded largely by membership contributions. The Land Trust works closely with private landowners, Sonoma Ag + Open Space and other public agencies at all levels of government, nonprofit partners and foundations. Sonoma Land Trust is a member of the California Council of Land Trusts and is

accredited by the national Land Trust Accreditation Commission. Since 1976, Sonoma Land Trust has protected nearly 58,000 acres of beautiful, productive and environmentally significant land in and around Sonoma County.

Our county is one of the most beautiful and biologically diverse counties in the United States. We believe it is a treasure that should be enjoyed by our community and protected for future generations. From acquiring land and conservation easements to restoring land and the natural properties on which we depend, to protecting land for wildlife and recreation, we work tirelessly to find ways to preserve the beauty and vitality of Sonoma County. Additionally, we engage the community in the importance and value of this work through outdoor activities and outreach.

Sonoma Land Trust maintains a diverse and expansive network of partnerships to accomplish a wide range of projects. Thanks to the generosity of those who trust in our work, they have been carrying out this mission for more than 40 years.

**Mission:** Sonoma Land Trust protects the scenic, natural, agricultural and open landscapes of Sonoma County for the benefit of the community and future generations by:

- Developing long-term land protection strategies;
- Promoting private and public funding for land conservation;
- Acquiring land and conservation easements;
- Practicing stewardship, including the restoration of conservation properties; and
- Promoting a sense of place and a land ethic through activities, education and outreach.

To protect the land forever means to care for the land forever. The health of the land is not promised to us; each generation must do its part. Stewardship connects people to the land, reinvigorating our Sonoma County land ethic to ensure the land will remain healthy and our water clean for future generations. After all, land is the heart of the community, and when the land is healthy, our community is healthy.

The current initiatives for the Trust are:

- ✓ Pole Mountain
- ✓ Sonoma Valley Wildlife Corridor
- ✓ Sonoma Developmental Center
- ✓ Santa Rosa Greenway

- ✓ Highway 37 redesign
- ✓ Sears Point wetlands restoration
- ✓ Diversity, equity and Inclusion programs
- ✓ Russian River Sub-watershed strategy

Please visit the website for more information about the people, programs and funding for Sonoma Land Trust: [www.sonomalandtrust.org](http://www.sonomalandtrust.org)

## **CLOSING**

The questions of our speaker having all been answered, Prez Barbara gaveled the meeting closed.

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

- **8/19** Rotary International programs. **Cathy King/Jean Hershede**
- **8/23** Foppiano Winery. Off-site needs a sign up either at a meeting or via survey monkey that **Doug** will be sending out to all members.