

The Voice of the Vineyards

The Weekly Electronic Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg

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comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable”

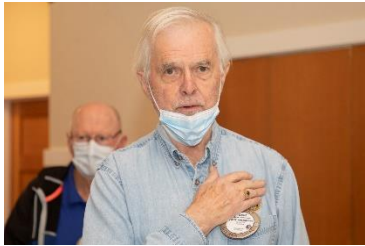
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WELCOME: President Doug Garrett



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Dr. Dave Anderson

VISITING ROTARIANS: None

GUESTS of ROTARIANS:



✓ Laurie Jacobson, today’s presenter, guest of the Club

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Once again, we come to the Holiday Season, a deeply religious time that each of us observes, in his own way, by going to the mall of his choice. Dave Barry

TRIVIA QUESTION

❖ What was the original TV Dinner? When was it introduced?

The original TV dinner was created and marketed in 1954 by two brothers, Gilbert and Clarke Swanson, who aptly named the meal "Swanson's TV Dinners." It included packaged turkey, cornbread stuffing, peas and sweet potatoes.



⇒ Winner: **Jerry Ogden**. He did not quite get all the ingredients, but he was still declared the winner. **President Doug** contributed \$25 to **Jerry's Paul Harris**.

⇒ Bonus question – What was the first toy to be advertised on TV? Mr. Potato head. No one guessed this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

✚ No Meetings until January 9, 2023. That meeting will be dedicated to a Club assembly where programs and events will be rolled out for 2023.

✚ Board Meeting decisions: Donations to the 4H Club, Boy Scouts and the Interact Club for their help at the Crab Feast.

- A donation of \$2500 for the Healdsburg High Booster Club was approved
- A donation for the purchase of Adaptive Swings for public parks was approved.

✚ **Travels with Club Members**, Tuesday, January 10 at Tayman Park. This will be held 5:00-7:00 and spouses/significant others welcome. Buffet dinner by Himalayan Restaurant, Windsor. This mixer will be devoted to travelogues presented by Club members.

✚ **Jaime Campoverde** announced a Club visit to Merida, Mexico on January 25 and 26. Contact him if you are interested in going.

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS or ANNIVERSARIES



❖ **Jerry Campbell** will celebrate his 63rd wedding anniversary on December 19. It is Mary Jane who should be congratulated! He donated \$100 to the Community Foundation.

- ❖ **Dick Cochran** will celebrate his 52nd anniversary on December 20. He donated \$100 to Polio Plus



HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION

- **John Avakian** presented a check for \$65 from Christian Folly from the proceeds of his CD



- **Phil Luks** presented **President Doug** with a soccer club patch from a club in Argentina. He brought this back from his recent trip there.



- **Doug Lyle** donated \$50 to Polio +



- **Grady and Jane Wann** just returned from a diving trip on the island of Hawaii. There they enjoyed 80-degree weather and swam with a 10' manta ray. He donated \$80 to the Club Foundation.

- **Alex Rollins** donated \$25 to the Club Foundation because of the World Cup. As she said, she was born with a soccer ball in her crib!



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Laurie Jacobson: Top of the Mountain: The Beatles at Shea Stadium



Laurie Jacobson is an award-winning author and television producer. She started her career performing comedy improv with classmates Robin Williams, John Ritter and John Larroquette.

The stories she uncovered while there became the basis for her first book, *Hollywood Heartbreak*.

Since then, she has written and produced many documentaries, television series and specials. She wrote 5 more books. Her fourth, titled “Timmy’s in the Well – The Jon Provost Story”, is a memoir she co-wrote with her husband who starred as Timmy in the iconic TV series “Lassie.” Her newest book, “Top of the Mountain: The Beatles at Shea Stadium” captures the compelling story behind the biggest entertainment event the world had ever seen.

Laurie gave a very informative and entertaining account of her career in the entertainment industry. She has written 6 books, several of which were available for purchase at a discount at our meeting. She is married to Jon Provost who starred in *Lassie*. Surprisingly, *Lassie* is still on in 60 countries.

Her book, “Top of the Mountain...” gives the details of what it took to bring the Beatles to Shea Stadium. It was Sid Bernstein and not Ed Sullivan who introduced them to America. The tickets were a great deal - \$4, \$5 and \$6. Many of today’s stars were there as teenagers. Through her contacts Laurie got hundreds of never-before-seen photos for her book. The Beatles always had a girl act open for them to appease the boys in the audience. People came to SEE and not Hear the Beatles. Because of the screaming it was nearly impossible to hear them play.

RAFFLE

The raffle winner was **Jean Herschede** but she did not draw the winning marble. She took home a nice bottle of Pax Rousseau Noir wine for her trouble.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

No meetings December 26 or January 2

CLOSING

President Doug closed the meeting by wishing everyone a Happy Holiday.

