



# 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 Kelly Larson**



**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dick Cochran**

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** None

**GUESTS OF ROTARIANS:**



✓ Ahotuku Tafea [guest of **R. Norgrove**]



✓ Carol Hazlett [guest of **John Hazlett**]



✓ Teresa Mangiapani [guest of **Devin Drew**]



✓ Alex Kasogaron [guest of **Devin Drew**]



✓ Dave Henderson [new member]  
✓ Kathryn Henderson [wife of new member **Dave Henderson**]



✓ David Hagele [speaker]  
✓ Lowell Hagele [father of David Hagele]

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Mark Twain: “The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year.”

## TRIVIA

Qs: What is this year’s Earth Day theme? What was last year’s theme?

As: 2024: “Planet vs. Plastics”

2023: “Invest in our Planet”

Winner: **Norm Fujita**



## MOVIE RECOMMENDATIONS

**President Kelly** recommended “Arthur the King,” a true story about a dog that decided to accompany the athletes on the world endurance race in the Dominican Republic. A thriller that also draws up tears.

## NEW MEMBER INDUCTION



⇒ **Dave Henderson** (sponsored by **Doug Garrett** who was traveling). Pinned by his wife Kathryn. Dave teaches Italian (SRJC)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

✚ Paul Harris +8 (the max): **Eric (Ric) Helthall** [pin presented by **Dick Cochran**]

✚ Easter Egg Scramble: **Phil Lutz** described the wild scramble (accompanied by **R. Tang's** photos and a video by **Pres. Larson**). **Phil** had all the Rotarians present stand up who had donated eggs, dyed eggs, put out eggs and supervised -- a large contingent. Rethinking whether or not to use plastic eggs again next year.



✚ Cyber Security Update: **Ric Helthall**. AT&T was hacked; up to 25% of Americans affected. Be aware that seniors are targeted heavily. Take steps to protect yourself; last year was the worst yet for cyber security breaks, and this year will be worse. Advice: change your PW. Immediately lock your credit file on the three credit reporting agencies and fill in forms for each spouse.

✚ Climate Fest – **Norm Fujita**

✚ April 21<sup>st</sup>, in the Healdsburg Plaza from noon to 6 pm. Live music at 4:30 featuring internationally known performer, Rocio, La Dama de la Cumbia.  
<https://www.ci.healdsburg.ca.us/1115/Climate-Fest>

✚ The goal is to energize the community to solve the climate crisis by starting at home. 65 educational booths throughout the plaza. Our club will have a booth featuring pollinators, with wildflower seeds to hand out. Worldwide, the decline in pollinators has caused approximately 500 thousand deaths. We have a new canopy with the Club name on all four sides. Before the Climate Fest there will be a Fun Run as well as a Bike Ride.

✚ District 5130 Events:

✚ District 5130 Spring Training: Ukiah, April 6

✚ District 5130 Conference at Sally Tomatoes Event Center, Rohnert Park

✚ May 17 – Social (lite bites, wine). Time TBD

✚ May 18 – Conference. Time TBD

- ✚ SCARC Dinner (good for Red Badgers)
  - April 25, 5:00pm at Wild Oak Saddle Club, hosted by Valley of the Moon Club
  - Cost: \$65, no-host cocktails @\$5
  - RESERVE by April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:** None this week

## HAPPY DOLLARS

- **Fred Roberts** – happy to wake up and happy his grandson turned 5. \$50 to the Club.
- **Dave Anderson** - \$5 for the April Fool's joke (something about canopy = can-o-pee). *[Didn't say where the \$5 was to go]*



- **Robert Pedroncelli??** *[not sure]*– happy for a piece of cake. \$25 to the Club.



- **Nita Parker** – Lost her Aussie hat 10 years ago, happy to find it today. \$5 to Green Hair Day.

## TODAY'S PROGRAM



David Hagele, Mayor of Healdsburg. He is with Summit Bank. Has been on City Council twice. This is his second time as mayor (a rotating position on the Council).

Update on what Healdsburg City Council is working on: Housing, Water Security, Streets and Transportation and Infrastructure Investment.

Main issues:

-Housing.

- -Workforce housing (several moderate-income housing projects started or in the works)
- -Housing the unsheltered (L&M campus secured and already working; further development planned. Funding stream uses tourist taxes.

Water Security.

- -#1 priority is conservation; Healdsburg is proportionally a bigger water user than other towns.
- -#2 Recycled water - expansion of irrigation to all public parks and fields.
- -#3 Underground storage of rainwater

Streets/Transport.

- -New bridge for SMART train. Use of old train station as SMART depot. Modernizing - Healdsburg Ave. north of Powell to north end of town (+ bike lanes that can be switched to car lanes if evacuation needed).

Infrastructure.

- -Fire substation across from Enzo Village
- -Foley Family Pavilion has commenced construction
- -Fitch Mtn. access improvements (Opening Ceremony May 4<sup>th</sup>)
- -Park design (Env. Review of Badger Park to the river; Saggio Hills park design ongoing)
- -Master calendar of events
- -Climate mobilization strategy (community input)
- -DEI work plan (community input)

## RAFFLE

- ⇒ **Turner Newton's** ticket was drawn and he received a nice bottle of '06 Fattoria Francesco Carrubba wine from the Russian River Valley.



## CLOSING

**President Kellie** thanked members and guests, then gaveled the meeting closed