



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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Pledge of Allegiance led by **Ric Helthall**

GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

✓ Liza Gershman 2nd Meeting



✓ Katherine Philip: True West Film Center

✓ John Cooper: True West Film Center

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY – Albert Einstein (1879-1955)

"The hardest thing to understand in the world is the income tax."

Length of tax code + IRS Treasury interpretations

1955 – 1,396,000 words

2024 16,218,000 words

TRIVIA QUIZ

Question: Looney Tunes

Answer: 12 questions

Winner: **Tricia Fichtner**



ROTARIANS AT PLAY –



Dinner in Provence – Dinner for 8+ hosted by Charlie Evans & **Cathy King**

CLUB & COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

🚩 *Easter Egg Scramble* – Saturday, April 19 - **Phil Luks**



🚩 *Giro Vignati Bike Ride* – Saturday, May 17 – **Paul Frechette**: 10 riders so far, more are needed/welcome!

🚩 *FFA BBQ & Parade Viewing* – Thursday, May 22 – **Paul Frechette**: we have the lawn behind the Museum. Bring chairs, wine and a dish to pass!

UPCOMING ENVIRONMENT AND YOUTH SERVICE EVENTS

🚩 Tuesday, April 22 - Russian Riverkeeper Clean-up, Sunset beach, Forestville
Sign up in Russian Riverkeeper web site. **Norm Fujita** is organizing a carpool.



🚩 Tuesday, April 29 – Healdsburg High Scholarship Awards – 6:00 at the Raven Theater

UPCOMING SCARC, DISTRICT & ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- Thursday, April 24 – SCARC Dinner – Santa Rosa Sunshine Club
- Friday & Saturday, May 2 & 3 – District Conference – Fortuna
- June 21-25 – RI Convention - Calgary

GREEN HAIR DAY RESULTS – **Dick Cochran**



✓ GHD Polio Plus funding raising total = \$30,028 **Graham Freeman** got a standing ovation

✓ Club YTD Polio Plus funding raising = \$41,427 (since 7/1/24)

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS – Tim Mann

Job Description

Requisite Skills

Regular Duties: Publicize Rotary activities and how they affect Healdsburg.



- Accomplishments: Got articles about our sport of the YWCA Childcare Center and Crab Feast in the Tribune.
- Got an article publicizing Green hair day in “Healdsburg Living”
- Got an article publicizing the Easter egg scramble in the Patch.
- Got an article publicizing the Easter egg scramble listed in Sonoma Family Living Magazine for “Things to do in Sonoma County”
- Increased our social media.

Special Thanks – **Emily Martin & Doug Garrett, Don Mitchell & Dick Cochran, Paul Frechette, Eric & Devin Drew, Rick Tang**

CELEBRATIONS

- *Birthdays* **Pat Williams**: \$150. To Polio Plus
- *Wedding Anniversaries*: Ric Heltfall (Club and Wedding) \$100. To the club
- *Club Anniversaries*: None this month



HAPPY \$\$

- ❖ **Dave Anderson** \$62. For Western Michigan winning the “Frozen Four” hockey tournament.



PROGRAM

True West Film Center – Kathryn Phillips

- Katherine and John discussed the Film Center which is due to open in September or October in downtown Healdsburg. It’s been 10 years in the making!
- “Cinema for the Community”
- They discussed the challenge of getting people into the theater and away from Netflix.





- John worked at Sundance Film Festival for 30 years and has moved back to Sonoma County.
- The financial goal is \$5.6 million. They have raised \$3.6 million so far. New line they are planning a Film Festival in May of 2026.
- They are considering membership programs. Possibly a “Rotary night”.

RAFFLE



Dick Cochran won a bottle of wine.

CLOSING

Prez Jim thanked the members and guests, then rang the meeting closed

Upcoming Programs

- > April 21 - SkillsUSA – Bernadette Calhoun
- > April 28 – Healdsburg Schools Finances and Successes – **Mike Potmesil** & Chris Vanden Heuvel