



## 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 Cathy King** welcomed the members and guests



**Pledge of Allegiance: Brian Ling**

### GUESTS OF ROTARIANS:

- ✓ District Governor- Kristine Redko
- ✓ Assistant District Governor- Brian Ling

**WALK-UP SONG** – Everyone brought their dancing shoes and sang “We are family”



### THOUGHT OF THE DAY- Tom Cleland

**Tom**, who has been in Rotary for 55 years, reminded us of Rotary’s 4-Way Test:

- Is it the TRUTH ?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned ?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned ?



## HONORING OUR VETERANS-

The following Veterans attended the meeting:

**Dick Cochran** – US Air Force

**Han Soh** – US Army

**Henk Peeters** – Royal Netherlands Army

**Mark Decker** – US Navy

**John Hazlett** – US Air Force

**Shaun Shields** – US Navy

**Roy Reynolds** – CA Army National Guard

**Richard Norgrove** – US Navy

**Richard Lapping** – US Army

**Tom Cleland** – US Air Force

**Mel Schatz** – US Army

**Dave Anderson** – US Army

**George Heath** – CA Army National Guard

**Jerry Ogden** – US Army

**Rick Tang** – US Air Force



## Trivia Question and Winner:

- > Question: What do these words have in common: Rizz, Delulu, Doomscroll, Skibidi ?
- > Answer: Gen Z's favorite slang words that will make the 12<sup>th</sup> edition of Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary
- > Winner: District Governor Kristine Redko

## TELEVISION SERIES RECOMMENDATION

**Kellie Larson** recommended Apple TV mini-series *"The New Look"*. A 10-episode biographical drama series created by Todd A. Kessler for Apple TV.



It follows the story of fashion designer Christian Dior and his rise in post-WWII Paris, alongside his rival and predecessor, Coco Chanel. The series is set in Nazi-occupied Paris and traces the fashion world's transformation in the war's aftermath.

## DINNER FOR 7

**Gary Barth**, the **Hazlett's**, and the **Westfall's** had a great time at the **Lapping's**



**A SIMPLE GESTURE-Jerry and Alison Ogden** along with **Doug Garrett and Therese Cabral-** a good day of food gathering. Also, this project made the Healdsburg Tribune

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**✚ Presents Project – Kellie Larson**

**Kellie** asked for members to please sign-up to participate in this year's "Presents Project" gift program for local families that don't have the resources to purchase gifts for their children or other family members. Due date is December 12<sup>th</sup>. **Doug Garrett** will be sharing a Google spreadsheet to facilitate sign-ups. Also, **Kellie** has volunteered her office for drop-off location of gifts

**✚ Healdsburg Elementary Reading Program – Andy Elkind**

To facilitate flexibility in supporting the students, the school no longer requires weekly attendance of volunteers. Volunteers can help during library periods. Volunteers just need to let the librarian, Ms. Ferreira, know at least a few days in advance. She can be reached at lferreira@husd.com



**UPCOMING ROTARY EVENTS**

- ❖ Veterans Tribute Luncheon, Santa Rosa-Nov 14<sup>th</sup>



- ❖ Senior Lunch, Healdsburg Senior Center-Nov 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Please bring pies and gifts for raffles

- ❖ Crab Feast-Dec 6<sup>th</sup>



- Attendees are encouraged to pay admission and purchases by check to avoid ~5% credit card processing fees. If paying for Crab Feast tickets by check, please contact **Mark Decker**

- ❖ Rotary Commemoration of the United Nations, San Francisco, December 11<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Holiday Party-TBD

## HAPPY DOLLARS

- **Pat Williams** went to see her son compete in his 2<sup>nd</sup> iron man in Croatia. She also traveled in France and brought perfume for our Rotary President. Pat donated \$100 to Polio Plus



- **Doug Garret** spent 2 weeks in Turkey. Doug presented Cathy with a Turkey Eagle Eye amulet for protection. He donated \$100 to Polio Plus



- **Henk Peeters** was in Kona, Hawaii and brought some Kona cookies for our Rotary President. He donated \$25 to the Club



- **Richard Norgrove** was very happy that his granddaughter, who is in Saigon, is writing an article for National Geographic. He donated \$100 to Green-Hair-Day

- **Don Anderson** celebrated his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday. He donated \$70 to scholarships



## TODAY'S PROGRAM- Creating Harmony Through Rotary- District Governor Kristine Redko:

The District Governor addressed our Club, praising its strong membership, enthusiasm, and community service. She noted that the Club is already excelling in many areas including engagement, communication, and project impact.

Kristine shared a few ideas:

- Encouraging members to reignite passion for Rotary by trying new roles or refreshing existing projects
- Emphasizing goal setting. Link goals to Rotary's International 7 areas of focus: 1) Peacebuilding and conflict prevention 2) Disease prevention and treatment 3) Water,



sanitation, and hygiene 4) Maternal and child health 5) Basic education and literacy 6) Community economic development 7) Supporting the environment. Kristine also reminded us of District's six key priorities

- Build Better Friendships through Shared Service
- Provide Mental Health Resources to our Communities
- Understand and Prevent Human Trafficking
- Protect and Preserve our Environment
- Work Together in Harmony to Make our World a Better Place
- A Focus on Youth
- Goals such as membership growth, project participation, financial contributions
  - Kristine explained the District Governor Citation, a positive recognition for clubs meeting goals in areas like membership, service, foundation giving, and peace initiatives.

Kristine also reminded us of a few major initiatives:

1. Mental Health Projects – Each club receives \$750 for a local mental health project. She stressed reducing stigma, promoting community resources like [NorCalMentalHealth.org](http://NorCalMentalHealth.org).
2. A Simple Gesture – A community food collection program addressing food insecurity and protein shortages at food banks
3. Stop Human Trafficking- The Rotary Youth Human Trafficking Awareness Program designed to teach youth about exploitation and human trafficking and how to take action against it

Throughout, she praised our Club's vibrant spirit, humor, effective communication (notably through its newsletter *The Voice of the Vineyards*), and community visibility. She ended by encouraging members to maintain enthusiasm, support mental health efforts, and continue their exemplary service.

## RAFFLE WINNER

**Jim Brenton** was the raffle winner. He didn't pick the right marble but got to take home a nice bottle of wine.



## CLOSING

**President Cathy King** rang the bell at 1:30 pm to adjourn the meeting

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- ✓ November 17th – Caryn Shapiro Stone- Catholic Charities of Northwest California
- ✓ November 24th – Off Site – Senior Lunch

