



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

Kellie Larson, Club President, rang the Opening Bell at 12.30PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



Led by **Tim Mann**

VISITING ROTARIANS

- ✓ Chris Cameron, Sunrise Club



GUESTS of ROTARIANS

- ✓ Sofia Villa, RYE student who went to South Korea for 10 months (2022-2023)

- ✓ Jack Campbell, Outbound student going to Indonesia

- ✓ Linus Lancaster, HHS, Visual Art Teacher, Native Plants and Environmental enthusiast



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Brene' Brown: "It turns out that trust is in fact earned in the smallest of moments. It is earned not through heroic deeds, or even highly visible actions, but through paying attention, listening, and gestures of genuine care and connection."

RECOMMENDED TV SHOWS, MOVIES, BOOKS

Jim Westfall, "A Man in Full" TV limited series on Netflix, based on book by Tom Wolfe



TRIVIA

Memorial Day initially honored the fallen from which war?
Winner: **Henk Peeters**: The American Civil War



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **President Kellie** announced certain actions taken by our Board earlier in the morning's monthly meeting:
 - \$750 to Prune Packers, our night requested is July 10 game against Lincoln Potters, 6:00PM
 - \$5,000 to Northern Sonoma County MHTP
 - \$300 to provide Geyserville Elementary incoming students for 2024-2025 school year to receive book, "WHY"
 - Looking for a Leader for 2024 annual Crab Feast to co-chair with Chandra Jones. Please contact **President Kellie** if interested

- ✚ RYLA Dinner, June 10 at Westheimer Woods, 5:30PM – Volunteers needed
- ✚ Peace Pole dedication, June 5 at HHS, 12:10PM. Please attend if your schedule permits
- ✚ RYE Golf Tournament, September 14, 1:00PM shotgun, Windsor Golf Course
- ✚ Sunrise Club needs volunteers for their Annual Fourth of July Kids Parade and Duck Dash
- ✚ **President Kellie, Don Mitchell, Jim Manly, and Cathy King** attended the District 5130 meeting over the past weekend. Our Club received two recognition awards:
 - Environmental Efforts (mostly driven by work of **Norm Fujita**), and
 - our Club's support of Ukraine (predominately driven by **Cathy King** and **Devon Drew**).

- ✚ **Jean Herschede** reminded the Club Adulting 101 for HHS Seniors will be held at Villa Chanticleer on May 28. Volunteers still needed. Please help with setup by arriving at 7:30AM





✚ **Norm Fujita** encouraged each of us to participate in a Plastic Use Reduction Challenge over a two week period. Week one: collect and weigh plastic waste. Week two: Make a conscience effort to reduce plastic use



✚ **Andy Elkind** brought to the attention of our Club a nationwide program called Tek Trek, where 7th grade girls are encouraged to attend a Science Camp. Our Club sponsored two girls from Healdsburg last year. The local chapter of AAUW is actively involved with promoting young girls to enter STEM fields of study.



✚ **John Avakian:** Reminded our Club about the FFA Parade BBQ on the Healdsburg Museum back lawn. Kindly update the spreadsheet with number of members and guests attending and dish being brought. Salads and side dishes are needed. BYOB, and Lawn chairs. 4:30PM to help setup, 5:00PM frivolity

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays

May 20 – **Jerry Ogden**

May 26 – **Norm Fujita**, who pledged \$74 to Club

Anniversaries

May 27 – **John** and **Janet Avakian**, married 17 years, pledged \$17 to Club

HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION

- ❖ **Jean Herschede:** Mentioned to our Club she was a RYE student to Brazil in 1974-1975. She and her husband, Mark, foster dogs and her last dog was just placed in its new home. For that she pledged \$30 to the Club



- ❖ **Don Cliver:** pledged \$100 to the Club in honor of his birthday and anniversary

TODAY'S PROGRAM



RYE student, Sofia Villa. Miss Villa described her 10 months in South Korea, learning the language, attending a Technical High School (Electrical Engineering), enjoying the variety of foods, and making life-long friends. She told us HHS did not recognize any of the studios work she did while in Korea and had to take 8 classes to make up the lost hours

Linus Lancaster, Visual Art Instructor, HHS, shared with the Club his background and education in Botany and passion for Native plants and environmental sustainability. Along with the help from our Club of \$600 (matched by the HSD), Lancaster and his students set about planting Native species around the campus, and his ceramics students made interesting frames with QR codes that describe the plant and its characteristics. There are 75 such plants now with another 75 planned for the near future. Lancaster described how using Olla jars, plants “attract” water from the jars.



RAFFLE

Today's value was \$40. **Andy Elkind's** ticket number was selected but he did not draw the coveted clear marble and took home a fine bottle of Wine!



CLOSING

There being no further business for the good of the Order, **President Kellie** rang the closing bell at 1.29PM

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- May 27 – DARK
- June 3 – Laura Vigano – Rotary Youth Exchange
- June 28 – Debunking