

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

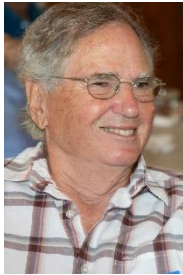
President Jim Westfall welcomed the members and guests



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by **Tim Mann**

GUESTS of ROTARIANS

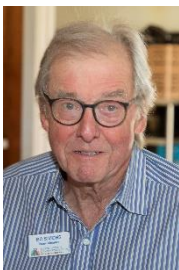
- ✓ Shannon Wren - guest of **Jim Westfall**



- ✓ Roy Reynolds- guest of **Dick Cochran**



- ✓ Orlando Jones - guest of **Chandra Jones**



- ✓ Bo Simons- guest of **Dave Anderson**

- ✓ Sarah Vantrease, speaker from Sonoma County Library

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

“Confidence is what you have before you understand the problem” Woody Allen

TRIVIA QUESTION AND WINNER

Jim Manly won the trivia question by getting the closest to the answer. How many zip codes are there in the United States Answer: 41,704

BOOK RECOMMENDATION

Dave Henderson recommended “The Oregon Trail” by Rinker Buck

The Oregon Trail is an account of Buck’s epic 2011 journey along the Oregon trail in a covered wagon.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **Dr. Dave’s** Brandt Beach for Polio Plus. Great showing and everyone had a good time. Big thanks to **Paul & Judy Jones** for their leadership along with the rest of the team: **Chandra & Orlando Jones, Joe Di Salvo, Fred Roberts, Devin Drew, Richard Norgrove** and his granddaughter **Trinity, Jim Westfall** and **Donna & Jaime Campoverde**. Wild Poliovirus Type 1 has not been eradicated. As of 7/23/2024, 18 Type 1 and 118 vaccine derived poliovirus cases have been recorded. Please continue to support
- ✚ Aug 5 - World Peace Prayer Flag Ceremony / 4:15 Minutes of Silence. On August 6th, 1945, an American B-29 bomber dropped the world's first deployed atomic bomb in Hiroshima.
- ✚ Aug 6 - City of Healdsburg, Implicit Bias Training at the Raven Performing Arts Theater
- ✚ Aug 13- Rose Garden Tending with the Healdsburg Garden Club. Seven people have signed up to help with fertilizing, weeding, and deadheading. Please contact Norm Fujita if you would like to participate.
- ✚ Aug 16 - **Brandt Beach BBQ staffing** – 2023 Crab Feast Auction Item fulfillment. We still need someone to help with a pick-up truck than can transport a few garbage bags at the end of event. Please contact **Paul Jones**.
- ✚ Aug 17- Climate Ride- Kendall-Jackson Winery, August 17 – 3 people from the Club will be riding to benefit Russian Riverkeeper
- ✚ Aug 29 - SCARC dinner – Rotary Club of Rancho Cotati. If interested, please RSVP to RCRCSecretary2@gmail.com by August 15th.
- ✚ Aug 30- Stewardship Day with Landpaths at Riddell Preserve 9:00 am -1:00 – Please contact **Norm Fujita** if you would like to participate



BIRTHDAYS



➤ **Mark Decker** not only celebrated his birthday but also his 49th wedding anniversary. He donated \$50 to the Club and \$50 to his Paul Harris



➤ **John Avakian**, who keeps looking younger every year, donated \$78 to the Club

ANNIVERSARIES

➤ **Tom Cleland** celebrated his 59th wedding anniversary and donated \$59 to his Paul Harris



➤ **Tricia Fichtner** celebrated her 46th wedding anniversary and donated \$46 to Polio Plus

➤ **Tim Mann**, celebrated his 46th wedding anniversary and donated \$46 to the Club



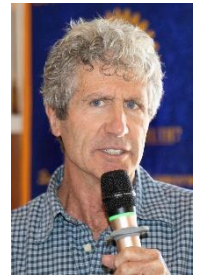
➤ **Nita Parker** donated \$30 to Polio Plus for her Rotary Club anniversary



➤ **Devin Drew**, celebrated two years with the Rotary Club and donated \$24 to Polio Plus (his son is 12 years old * 2 years with the Rotary= 24)

HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION

❖ **Doug Lyle** celebrated his younger brother partner's birthday in Maui. Presented Hawaiian syrup to **President Westfall** and donated \$25 to Polio Plus.



❖ **John Avakian**, spend two weeks on a road trip to Sante Fe, New Mexico with friends. One of the highlights was staying at one of the Harvey Hotels on Route 66 in Winslow, AZ. He also enjoyed time with their twin granddaughters who turned six years old. He donated \$50 to Polio Plus

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Sarah Vantrease, Public Services Manager of the Sonoma County Library, shared with the Rotary how the Sonoma County Library is leveraging its unique assets, resources, and expertise to meet evolving community needs.

Over 200,000 people in Sonoma County have library cards. Do you have yours? In the last 12 months there were almost 1.5 million visits and 4.5 million checkouts. Sonoma County has 12 full-

Service locations that are open 7 days a week. Thanks to the library sales tax



measure, for the last seven years, it has been able to increase hours of operations by 40%. Other improvements include mobile services that reach the coast and smaller communities, archives of special items and local history collections. Also, soon people will be able to pick up books at lockers during outside library hours.

Closer to home, for the first year since it was built in 1988, the Healdsburg Library will undergo significant interior renovations to modernize the building for the public. In addition to new furniture & finishes, major upgrades to the children's and teen space areas will be made. Upgrades will include the study pod and ADA improvements including accessible restrooms. The renovation will include a book sorting system that improves turnaround time for getting materials back on the shelf as well as reduce ergonomic strain on staff. The cost is approximately \$2.4 million dollars. Also, thanks to the support of the Friends of the Healdsburg Library nonprofit group, it is adding special features to the project, like new windows with reading benches in the children's area.

The Sonoma County library is also making it easier to getting library cards, eliminating overdue fines, providing services that are both in Spanish & English. They have available live interpretation in over 100 languages including ASL through an online & telephone relay system.

When it comes to technology, one of the library's most popular services are wifi hotspots, Chrome kits to borrow – laptops and PCs in the library and free copying and printing. They have a Playback Memory Lab, you can digitize old photos, slides, VHS tapes, sound studio (podcast, video editing), and lending of professional AV equipment like cameras, green screens. They provide large and small meeting spaces. The Library reaches out to various communities such as embedding librarians at the jail and juvenile hall. During the summer, in partnership with Redwood Empire Food Bank, they even serve free lunches at seven locations to all kids and teens.

The Sonoma County Library is for everyone. They provide services and programs from Pre-K to Adults. Scope includes access to training to grow personally and professionally.

RAFFLE WINNER



Chandra Jones' ticket was drawn. **Chandra** picked the right colored marble and won \$193. **Chandra** will be using the funds to donate to a Rotary charity

CLOSING

President Jim Westfall thanked members and guests, then rang the bell to close the meeting

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- ✓ August 12 Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Sonoma & Marin – Andrea Coen
- ✓ August 19 Craft Talks – Dave Henderson & Matt Anderson