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Top photo, Kiwanis Club members getting ready to hand out dictionaries at the Foss Creek School on September 29. Left to right, Don Marshall, Lockie Gillies, Bev Dordahl, George Diebold, Carl Elze and chairman Dennis Stead. Bottom, Don Marshall looks on as Lockie Gillies hands a dictionary to his daughter.

## 250 Dictionaries Distributed To Third Grade Students As Part of Club's First Book Project

One of the best projects we do! This is the consensus exclaimed by many of the 20 club members participating in the fifth annual First Book Project just completed this past week. 250 beautifully illustrated Scholastic Children's Dictionaries were handed out by Dennis Stead and his Kiwanis Club's First Book Project Committee to all third grade students in the five elementary schools in the district. - Healdsburg Elementary, Foss Creek, St. John's, Alexander Valley and Westside. The project cost approximately \$2250.

The students were told that they could keep the dictionaries at school or at home following a brief message by Dennis on what the Kiwanis Club is and how the club serves the community, especially the youth of the district by sponsoring fund raisers such as the Pancake Breakfast and the food booth at the Future Farmers Country Fair.

## Calendar

October 5: Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's installation of 2004-2005 officers, Villa Annex, 6 p.m. social hour, 7 p.m. dinner

October 12: Healdsburg High School District.

October 14: Board of Directors Meeting, 7 p.m., at the Healdsburg Police Department.

October 16: Cloverdale Scarecrow Competition, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Cloverdale, Cloverdale Plaza. Scarecrow and Carved Pumpkin Contests, Hoopla the Clown, Story Telling, Games. For information: 894-1778.

October 19: Parkinson's Action Network.

October 26: Luther Burbank Center.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer's Annex.

For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club and its meetings please contact Dan Maraviglia, president at 433-3363 or Dee Whitehall, secretary at 433-4391



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**Banner Patches Were  
Presented for 2002-03**

Past Lt. Governor Dennis Tuomala of Fort Bragg presented two banner patches to the Healdsburg club at the September 11 installation dinner of Lt. Governor Art Weaver held at the Los Robles Lodge in Santa Rosa.

The patches which have been sewed on the club's banners indicate both a service award and an education award for the year 2002-2003 when Nancy Curnow was president and Neil Iversen was our secretary.

**The President's Message:**

**A Great and Enlightening Experience**

By Jerry Strong, 2003-2004 President

Looking back at October 2003, my induction into the presidency of the Healdsburg Kiwanis club, I remember thinking that I must hang in there, dedicate my time, energy and do the best that I can because this is going to be a long, time consuming year. Well, here we are and it's October already and in comes our new president, Dan Maraviglia, ready and able, perhaps with a similar feeling about this worthy position.

It's been a great and enlightening experience for me and I enjoyed serving at this capacity because of our wonderful membership that cares about our community and the fellowship that has driven us to the exemplary success and quality of this Healdsburg Kiwanis club. We accomplished so much in so little time it seems that the year just flew by with one project after another executed, one donation after another being delivered and one form of gratitude after another being accepted. It's been a good year for all of our members, and I thank you all for the effort you've rendered, and a special thanks to my fellow officers, directors and committee chairmen for the outstanding job in helping as a team, in governing this club.

Looking into the future I can imagine that with Dan Maraviglia at the helm he will experience the continued progress and success that this club thrives on.

Good luck, Dan, and, as my predecessor before me said "It's all yours Buddy."

**Chairman Invites Each Club Member To Be  
Responsible For One Program During Year**

Roger Dormire, the 2004-2005 second vice-president in charge of supplying a program for each luncheon meeting, advised that the membership preferred having a program each week rather than, as it had been suggested, that we not have a speaker at each meeting. However, that idea was vetoed by the general membership so Roger has come up with the following idea.

Each member will be responsible for one program during the year thereby giving every member the opportunity to present an outstanding speaker or presentation.

Roger is giving each member the opportunity to pick a specific date. If you do not sign up to be chairman for a program, he will assign you a day.

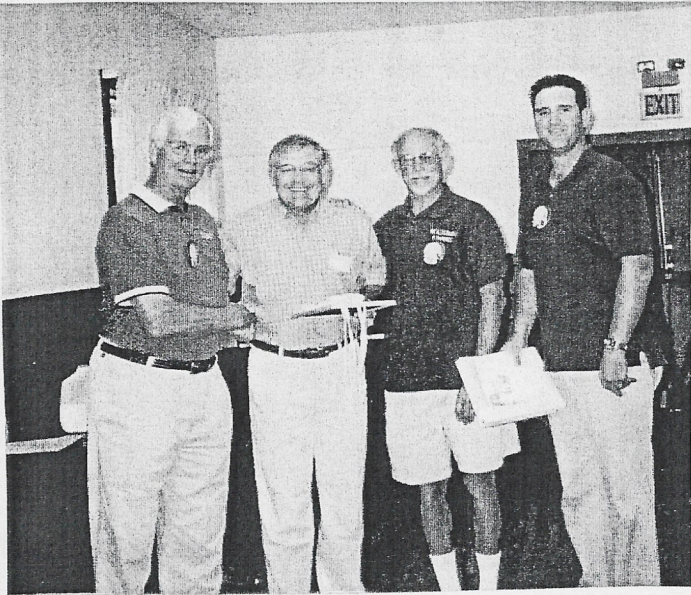
Sometimes our own members can, with their special hobbies or experiences, provide the club with an excellent program. For example, recently Denis Stead's presentation of collectible and antique toys, Rich Lehrmann regaling us with his experiences at the Burning Man festival, Dan Gianni and his Name That Celebrity program and Rich Norgrove's father and his talk about pigeons.

So Roger asks you to actively participate in this new venture of supplying the membership with interesting and informative programs. Contact him if you have a specific date and program in mind.

**Thoughts For The Day:** Don't Be a Flip-Flopper --- Lee Gunnerson.

Diet Another Day. Diets Are Like Airplanes. They Are For Other People To Go On! --- George Clough.





**NEW MEMBER:** Welcoming new member Jim Schmidt, second from left, are sponsor John Bippart, left, along with President Jerry Strong, third from left and Membership Chairman Todd Brandt. Owner of J. Schmidt & Associates of Healdsburg, a graphic arts business, Jim was inducted into the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club on Tuesday, September 7. He and his wife, Bonnie, are thirteen year residents of Healdsburg.

## Christmas Tree Sale Is A Go; Lot Opens After Thanksgiving

Ken Scharer, chairman of the Christmas Trees Sale, advised the membership that the trees have been ordered and that all permits are on line.

The sales lot will be in the same location as last year, 24 Matheson Street next to the Healdsburg Bar and Grill and across the street from the Healdsburg Hotel.

Ken said that the lot will open for business the day after Thanksgiving, Friday November 26. However, before that there will need to be a number of work sessions to prepare the lot. Ken will be asking the members to sign up for work sessions to help prepare the lot as well as shifts to help sell the trees and miscellaneous items during the weeks the lot will be opened. The 2003 project saw 27 club members volunteer 1,250 hours.

Last year the Kiwanis Tree lot sold out in record time and the project was deemed a financial success as well as a successful community supported event. \$8,000 from the profits of the 2003 Christmas Trees Sale were donated to the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club to purchase and install a much needed new heating system.

Other members of the Christmas Tree Sales are Roger Dormire, Joe Engler, Hector Bedolla, Jim Lucchesi and Bob Taylor.

## Dennis Stead Is Presented With A Distinguished Service Award

At the installation of Art Weaver of Santa Rosa as the new Lt. Governor of Division 32, on Saturday, September 11 at the Los Robles Lodge, Santa Rosa Healdsburg Kiwanis Club member Dennis Stead was presented with the prestigious Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award for Division 32 "in appreciation for the many hours of service rendered for Kiwanis and your community."

Dennis, presently a member of the board of directors of the Healdsburg club, is chairman of the Key Club Committee, chairman of the fund raising committee, served on the Paintball and Cookout Project, the Scholarship Awards committee to select scholarship recipients and has been chairman of the First Book Project (a dictionary for every third grader in the Healdsburg school districts) since its inception and instigated and has headed up the successful food booth at the Future Farmers Country Fair and the auction at the annual Western BBQ, the latter bringing in much needed funding for the club's administrative fund.

Dennis was recognized again for receiving this award by President Jerry Strong at the club's September 14 meeting.



**Distinguished Service Award :** President Jerry Strong, right, congratulates Dennis Stead on being selected to receive Division 32 Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award. The award was presented to Dennis at the Lt. Governor's installation dinner September 11 in Santa Rosa.





**JUST CALL HIM COLONEL !** Incoming president Dan Maraviglia, left, admires the proclamation making Mario Lucchesi a Kentucky Colonel. Mario received his new status at the National Counter Intelligence Corps Association convention which he and his wife, Carolyn, attended in Louisville, Kentucky recently.

#### **Francis Branern Moves To Tennessee**

A forty-four year member of the Healdsburg club

Francis Branern and his wife, Vi, have moved to their new home in Tennessee where they will be near members of her family. Retired from the Basalt Rock Company (now Syar), Fran has been a long time supporter of the Kiwanis Club. He served as secretary for a number of years and was president of the club for the 1973-74 term.

#### **Seek Chair for Key Club Committee**

Dennis Stead who has been chairman of the club's Sponsored Youth Services Key Club committee for a number of years would like to retire from the post, he announced. Anyone wishing to take on this important assignment should contact Dennis or president Dan Maraviglia

Dennis said that at the first meeting of the Healdsburg High School's Key Club 35 potential members showed up. Helping and supporting the youth group can be a very rewarding experience. Check with Dennis or Lee Gunnerson who also headed up this project for a number of years.

**Congratulations:** to Jim Silveira whose firm, Silveira Pontiac-Buick-GMC, Inc is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this month. ... To John Dayton on his recent marriage to Lisa Gallagher at the Alexander Valley Community Church. Our own Major Nancy Curnow officiated at the service.

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