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DONATION TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Charles Reichel, right, a member of the board of directors of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund, accepts a check for \$2,000 from City Councilman and Kiwanis Club member Gary Plass for the Scholarship Fund. The money donated by Gary was left over from his 2008 campaign in which he sought re-election to the Healdsburg City Council. At the time of his campaign he had pledged that any funding left over he would donate to charity.

Upcoming: Three Big Fundraisers – Pancake Breakfast, FFCF Food Booth and Foot Race

Chairpersons of the club's next important fund raisers reminded the membership that it is time to plan

First up, in only two months is the 53rd annual Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 5 at the Villa Chanticleer. This event will be chaired by First Vice President Loretta Strong assisted by committee members Joe Engler, Gary Plass, Dee Whitehall, Rich Iverson, David Jones, Bruce Main, Cullen Wilder plus all club members who are asked to help on the day of the breakfast and are required to sell or buy 10 tickets.

Rich Iverson, Pancake Ad chairman, has already passed out to his sales committee, instructions and client assignments. Last year he said that the committee sold 121 advertisements that netted the club \$5,924.

"This was the best participation we have ever experienced, so we have started a third page," he said.

The advertisement will run on Thursday, April 2 in the Tribune and all copy and collected funds must be turned in by Tuesday, March 17

Another big fund raiser is the Future Farmers Country Fair Food Booth scheduled for May 21, 22 and 23 at Recreation Park. Sean Thomas has taken over as chairman of this event assisted by Chris Metrulas, Harry Jackson, Don

Calendar

February 3 Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

February 10: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Guest speaker will be Willie Seppi, owner of Costeaux Bakery.

February 11: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. at the Healdsburg Police Department's Conference Room, 7 p.m.

February 17: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Guest speaker will be Marjie Pettus, City Manager, City of Healdsburg.

February 24: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

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 Dennis Gary, president at 433-2552 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8005.

.Marshall, David Jones, Vince Dougherty and the entire club during the Fair.

David Jones, chairman of the Fitch Mountain Foot Race, set for Sunday, June 7, said that he will be focusing his time on this event so that the race will attract more runners and bring in again, at least, \$13,000 for the Scholarship Fund, the same amount as last year. David asked for extra help on the House and Reception committee so that he can concentrate on the Fitch Mountain Foot Race program. Jim Schmidt has taken charge of the changes for the club badges.

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Happy Birthday

Mario Lucchesi, February 1
Charles Reichel, February 7
Edgar Deas, February 8
Randolph Collins, February 11
George Clough, February 26

Kiwanis Anniversaries

Congratulation to the following who
joined Kiwanis during the month of
February.

2-21-84: Arnold Santucci
2-1-00: Mario Lucchesi
2-18-03: Ken Scharer
2-28-06: Ken Rochioli



Happy Birthday To Phil Rice: At the January 27 meeting the 80 and over age group sang the traditional birthday song, at his request, to Phil Rice who is celebrating his 89th birthday in January. Phil donated 89 dollars to the club's coffers in honor of this occasion. Shown singing and applauding Phil were, left, Mario Lucchesi, John Bippart, Rich Iverson, Clarence Ruonavaara, Carl Elze, Bob Malone and Bob Young. Also participating but not shown was Arnold Santucci.

Membership Lagging Badly; Chairman Tells Us That We Need to "Get With It"

John Bippart who has taken on the chairmanship of the Membership Committee, expressed his disappointment in what is happening to the club's membership.

"We are in dead water and have been for the past six months," he told the club members at the January 27 weekly meeting..

Sharing the Kiwanis badge has been a long honored tradition of the Kiwanis International as well as the Healdsburg Club which will be celebrating its 86th anniversary in November.

"Share your badge," John stressed.

There are many in the community who would be pleased to be asked to join the Kiwanis and participate in our community activities. Look over your business contacts, church members, neighbors, organization affiliations, etc.

Give John the names and phone numbers of potential members and he will do the rest.

"We are getting lazy", he said . "Get With It" !!

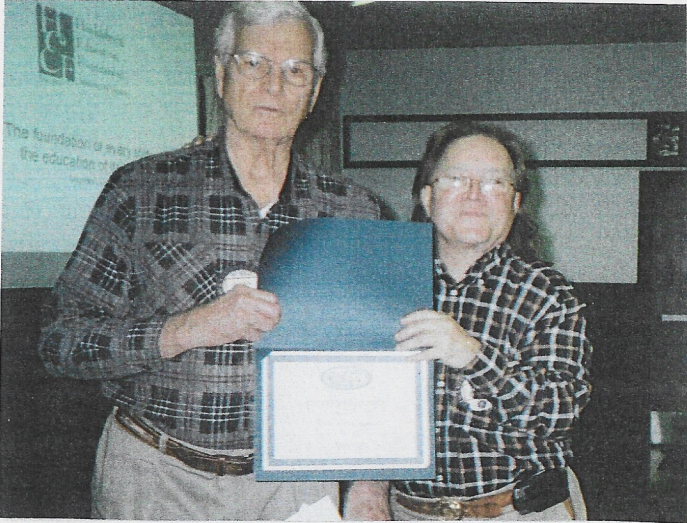
The club inducted two members in 2008 – Sean Thomas in May and his father, Richard Thomas in June.

Third Grade Students Send More Thank You Notes

Dennis Stead, chairman of the club's First Book Project, told the club members that he has been receiving more and more thank you notes from the third grade students who received a colorfully illustrated dictionary which they can keep "as their very own.

Approximately 250 dictionaries were handed out to the third graders at Fitch Mountain School, St. John's School, Alexander Valley School and Westside School in October.

At the January 6 meeting Dennis shared some of the letters from Westside and St. John's Schools. One third grader said the dictionary was special because "it is in alphabetical order" !



KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL AWARD: *John Bippart, left, a past president and presently chairman of the Membership Committee was honored with an award by the Kiwanis International Foundation, for his continuing support and generosity of the Foundation. The presentation was made at the January 27 meeting by President Dennis Gary.*

Chairman Says Need Your Copy For The Kiwanis Autobiography Project

Dick Bugarske, chairman of the new Autobiography Project, urged the members to send him biographical data plus a photo for the club's website. He said that "we would like to present an autobiography of each of the members on the club's website".

One of the six Kiwanis objectives, he stressed in his printed flyer he passed out to the membership is "to provide, through Kiwanis Clubs, a practicable means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities."

Learning about who we are as people, family members and community members will enhance this objective, he added.

Send your information, as long or as short as you want, to Dick at rbugarske@gmail.com or the website at www.healdsburgkiwanis.org.

Amista Vineyards Art and Wine Show Brings Club Approximately \$600

Vince Dougherty who arranged to have the club participate in an art and wine fundraiser at the Amista Vineyards in Dry Creek January 10 and 11 told the club that the event raised about \$300 to \$400 with the sum being matched by the winery.

All tasting fees and raffle proceeds were donated to the Kiwanis Club. On display and for sale was art work by Michael Ecton, Ellen Blakely, Sandra

Maresca and Beth Hartmann. Co-sponsors were Costeaux French Bakery and Dry Creek Olive Co. Amista Vineyards is located at 3320 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg.

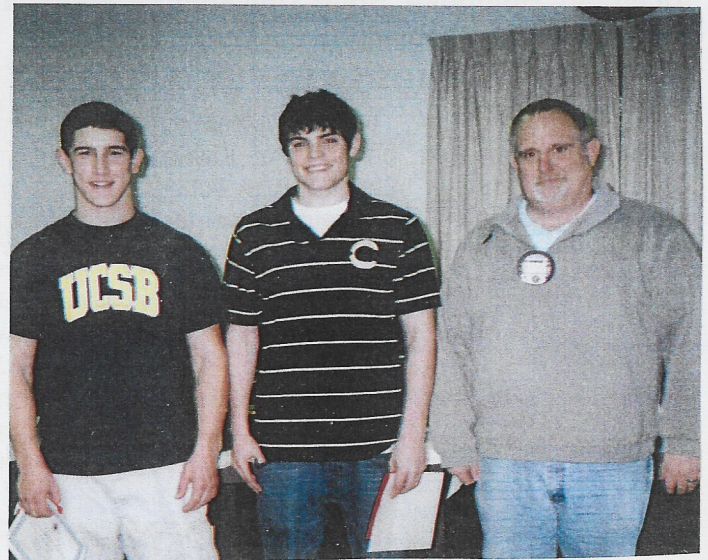
Chairman Says Tree Lot Big Success Give Yourselves Round of Applause

Ken Scharer, chairman of the Christmas Tree Lot. In his final report to the members at the first meeting of the new year, sang the praises of all the members who participated in this, the club's big fundraiser.

"Give yourselves a round of applause. It was the smoothest year yet," he stressed.

All but 15 of the 1360 trees were sold.

And now we have to start planning for next year he told the members.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Collin Brown, left, September's student of the month and Nicholas Mager, center, October's were presented to the club members at the January 13 weekly meeting by Student of the Month chairman Vince Dougherty. Collin Brown, a Healdsburg native, has been active in wrestling, soccer and California Scholarship Federation. He plans to attend UCLA or Cal Poly. Nick Mager has been active in basketball and drama and is vice president of the Interact Club. He plans to major in economics at either Cal Poly or UC Davis. Nicholas Wallace, January's student of the month, (see photo page 4), was presented by Vince at the January 20th meeting. Nicholas played football for the Bulldogs and during his high school career and is a member of the California Scholarship Federation. He plans to attend Humboldt State where he will major in mathematics.



Nicholas Wallace, January's student of the month, shows off his certificate presented to him by chairman Vince Dougherty at the January 20th meeting. Future plans call for him to attend Humboldt State University where he will major in mathematics.

HEF Seeks Funds for Jr. High

Members of the Healdsburg Education Foundation appeared before the Kiwanis Board of Directors on January 14 at the high school library and asked the Kiwanis Club again to be the leader and provide the initial \$18,000 for 18 computers for the Junior High School library renovation. The Kiwanis Club

supplied the initial \$6500 of the \$147,000 high school library remodeling program.

In other business the financial report was accepted. It was noted that project funds currently available amount to \$65,832 out of a total of \$88,382.

President Dennis Gary advised that he would explore Kiwanis Foundation scholarships and the scholarship committee was directed to look further into maximizing any available funds.

With the City's Park and Recreation Department considering a 5.04 increase per member per meeting as a result of the increased costs to caterers, a discussion on a possible move to another location for the weekly meeting, possibly Tayman Park, took place.

It was announced that the 2009 Mid Year Kiwanis Conference will take place in Sacramento on February 21 and that the 2008 Christmas Tree lot cash flow shows a net profit of \$38,075 for 2009.

HAPPY AND SAD: **Harry Jackson** happy about the birth of a granddaughter and that he would be participating in the art show sponsored by Plaza Arts ... **Dennis Stead** a happy \$10 for the great work Ken Scharer did as chairman of the Christmas Tree Lot ... **Bob Taylor** happy that his 19 year old granddaughter will be attending boot camp ... **Marty Silge** a happy \$22 in honor of the birth of second granddaughter ... **Robert Young** a happy \$5 that Hugo Bauer has a new hearing aid ... Many sad expressions on learning about the passing of **Anne Weaver**, wife of past Lt. Gov. Art Weaver. The information was announced by past Lt. Governor Bob Carver and present Lt. Governor Richard Fuller.

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