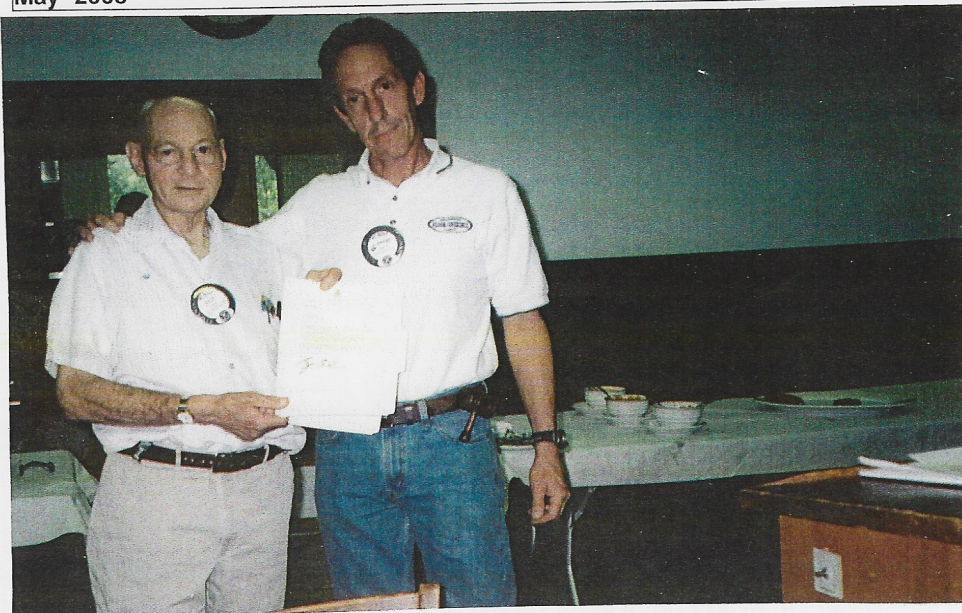




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CONGRATULATORY LETTER FROM PRESIDENT BUSH:

A formal letter from President George W. Bush congratulating Neil Iversen, left, was shared with members of the club on April 22 when Kiwanis president George Diebold read the letter and officially presented it to Neil who had been honored on April 18 at a community dinner sponsored by the Kiwanis Club for his services to the community, the Boy Scouts and Kiwanis. (Please see article on page 3 and the President's Message on page 2.)

New Logo For 34th Annual Fitch Mountain Foot Race Scheduled for Sunday, June 8th

Designed by Kiwanian Jim Schmidt, the new logo for the annual Fitch Mountain foot race was unveiled by Foot Race committee member David Jones at the club's April 15 meeting. The logo will be prominently displayed on the Foot Race's T-Shirt given to each runner and will also be utilized on all future advertising, posters, etc.

The foot race, a 10K and 3 K event, is scheduled for Sunday June 8 starting at 8 a.m. at the Plaza Square and is open to all comers. Contact Lee Gunnerson, chairman or Jerry Strong for entry applications or more information.

Vince Ciolino, in charge of obtaining sponsors for the race, said that his aim this year is to raise \$10,000 from sponsorships. Businesses and individuals are invited to purchase one of three categories - Platinum for \$1,000, Gold for \$500 and Silver for \$250. Vince urged members to participate or get business associates, colleagues or friends to take part. All those who become sponsors will be listed on the back of the T Shirt with their logo as well as on the big board which will be on display at the Plaza Square the day of the race. Contact Vince Ciolino if you wish to become a sponsor. Playing a very important part in the race are the Kiwanis members who (please see page 4.)

Calendar.

May 4: 19th annual Healdsburg Community Band's Sousa Concert, 3 p.m., Jackson Theatre, Sonoma Country Day School, Santa Rosa, \$10. See Carl Elze for tickets.

May 6: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

May 8: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m., at Brandt's Insurance Conference Room.

May 13: Mothers' Day Luncheon. Spouses, family and friends invited. 12 noon at Villa Annex. Please advise President George Diebold if you are bringing guests.

May 20: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

May 22: Future Farmers Country Fair Twilight Parade, 6 p.m. Kiwanis Bike Brigade will take part. Roger Dormire is in charge.

May 22-23-24: Future Farmers Country Fair at Recreation Park, Kiwanis will sponsor the food booth selling hot dogs, Polish dogs, corn dogs, regular fries, garlic fries and soft drinks. Chris Metrulas in charge of booth. All members are requested to help at the Food Booth.

May 27: 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 George Diebold, president at 433-8008 or Dee Whitehall, secretary at 433-4391.

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Happy Birthday

May 10: James Silveira

May 12: Steve Metrulas

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

5-15-79: Lindsay Wurlitzer

5-5-87: Carl Elze

5-11-99: Temple Smith

5-14-02: Lockie Gillies

5-18-04: Bruce Main

5-25-04: George Diebold

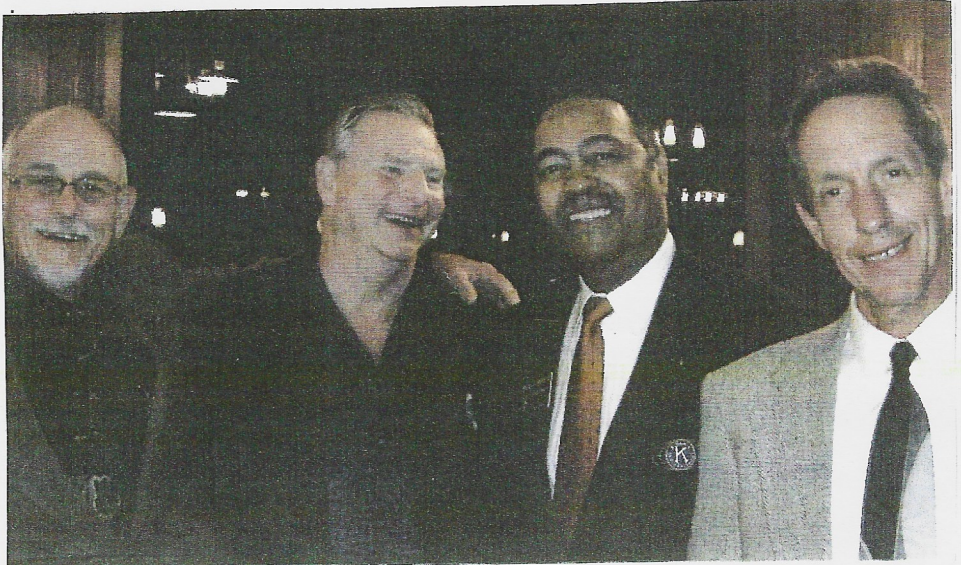
5-25-04: Richard Norman

5-16-06: Loretta Strong

The President's Message:

**A Very Eventful April: Governor's Visit, Neil Iversen
Appreciation Dinner, Great Trip To San Francisco**

By George Diebold



Cal-Nev-Ha Governor Oscar Knight enjoying a visit with Healdsburg Kiwanians at the Governor's Dinner hosted by the Healdsburg Club at the Villa Chanticleer on Sunday, April 6. Left to right, Jerry Strong, Dennis Stead, Governor Oscar Knight and Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's president, George Diebold. (Photo courtesy Dennis Stead0.

A very eventful April has come and gone. The kickoff , on March 29 , was the San Francisco trip that Dan Maraviglia put together. A lot of members have told me that they had a great time, and would like to do more club outings. I agree. Someone needs a good idea, has to take the initiative, and away we go.

On April 6th we hosted the Governor's dinner. A lot of hard work, primarily by Ken Rochioli, went into the event. By all accounts, the dinner was very successful. I don't know the exact head count but believe it was around 130. Event chairman Ken Rochioli singled out Trend Catering as well as club members Denny Stead, Andy Smith, Carl Elze, Jerry and Loretta Strong, Dick Bertapelle, Vince Ciolino, Dennis Gary, Doug Newton and Bob Taylor for going above and beyond in working on this event. He also gives special thanks to the Healdsburg and Cloverdale Key Clubs, for all of their help. Speaking of which our Key Club was recognized for their 60th anniversary. A real milestone for a great organization.

Speaking of milestones, April 18th was the Neil Iversen Community Appreciation Dinner. What a great night ! The town really came out to thank Neil for his many years of service. Besides the accolades from the Healdsburg community, of which there were many, Kiwanian Bob Carver, past Lt. Governor and current Division 32 Ambassador, was on hand to present Neil with a Distinguished Service Award. I tell you it was a touching display of affection for one of the finest men I've had the pleasure of knowing. Thanks, Neil, you' re one in a million !

And here comes May. We are inviting all the mothers in our lives, and celebrating Mothers Day by loosening up our vocal chords and singing along with Carl "pick up tempo" Elze. Be sure and sign up for **(please see page 4)**

An Historic Event:

Kiwanians, Friends, Dignitaries On Hand To Honor Neil Iversen at Kiwanis Community Dinner

240 Kiwanians, family, friends, city and county officials, former and present city employees, present and former Boy Scouts and members of the Healdsburg High School Class of 1954 turned out Friday night, April 18 at the Villa Chanticleer to honor 3rd generation Kiwanian, Boy Scout leader and long time city employee Neil Iversen at a community dinner sponsored by the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club.

Neil joined the Kiwanis Club on July 20, 1971 and served in many capacities including president, secretary and chairman of the Boy Scouts Committee. His father, Waldo Iversen, was a long time member and a past president and his grandfather, George Day was a charter member of the club.

Among the many proclamations and honors bestowed on Neil there was a standing ovation given when Healdsburg Mayor Lisa Schaffner declared April 18 Neil Iversen Day. Other proclamations and honors were presented by 4th District Supervisor Paul Kelley, Redwood Empire Boy Scout Council Executive Director Ralph Volker, Boy Scout leader Greg Hannan on behalf of Boy Scout Troop 21, proclamations from California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and the California State Assembly.

Kiwanis president George Diebold announced that the Kiwanis Club will be providing five Boy Scout Camperships in recognition of Neil's 45 years of leadership in the Boy Scouts program and Bob Carver, past Lt. Governor of the Kiwanis Division 32 and representing Cal-Nev-Ha District Governor Oscar Knight, presented Neil with the Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award,

Kurt Hahn, chairman of the event, spoke of Neil's 45 year career with the City of Healdsburg and his long involvement with scouting, following in his father's footsteps. His mother Evelyn, now 98 years old, it was pointed out, has devoted 63 years to the Boy Scout program. Neil became a cub scout in 1945 and in 1951 earned the Eagle Scout award. 75 Troop 21 scouts achieved the rank of Eagle Scouts over the many years the troop has been sponsored by the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club.

Dan Murley, Healdsburg Museum curator, presented a pictorial history of the honoree and gave the history of the Iversen Center, the Boy Scout Hut and Clary Hall located on First Street. He termed the community dinner "an historic event" because of the rich

history revealed involving the Iversen family, scouting and the city.

Assisting Kurt Hahn who served as chairman as well as master of ceremonies were Joandell Hahn; Loretta Strong, decorations; Jack and Todd Brandt and Bob Taylor, wine procurement; Vince Ciolino and Bob Young, wine contributors; Roger Dormire, wine steward; George Diebold, presentation; Albert (Pete) Peterson, banking receipts and accounting. The buffet dinner was catered by Ken Rochioli of KR Catering. Helping in various capacities were city officials, Boy Scouts, Explorer Scouts, and Kiwanis Club members.



Top photo, Neil Iversen with his mother, Evelyn Day Iversen. Bottom photo, Division 32 past Lt. Governor Bob Carver presents the Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award to Neil.

New Logo For Foot Race:

monitor the intersections along the race. Included in this issue of *The Builder* is a copy of the Intersection Assignments. All traffic monitors are asked to be at their stations by 7:45 a.m. and to follow the rules outlined in the insert. If you can not participate as a traffic monitor please contact Lee Gunnerson so he can make other arrangements.

The race is open to men, women and children in both the 3K and 10 K categories. All first place winners will receive medallions and all participants will receive a souvenir T-shirt.

If you wish to take part in this fund raising event contact Jerry Strong at 14685 Grove Street, Healdsburg, CA 95448 for application forms.

All proceeds go to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund.

President's Message:

the luncheon so nobody goes away hungry.. The date is May 13th.

The Future Farmers Country Fair and Parade is coming up and I'm sure Bicycle Brigade chairman Roger Doirmire is hoping for a large contingent of mounted Kiwanians.. If you have never participated in the Brigade why not ? Loosen up and join in the fun. Coordination not required; a good attitude is recommended.

Food booth chairman Chris Metrulas informs me that our garlic fries have won Best in Class again, at the prestigious Iron Stomach Event, held, as always, in Gastro, Colorado. Way to go Chris and his team ! Also, congrats on obtaining clearance from the FDA. That was a close one.

Well, that's all for now. Hope you are all healthy, happy and rarin' to go. Should be a great summer to be a member of Kiwanis.

Club Again Will Be A Sponsor And Take Part In the Annual Parade, Fair

In addition to donating \$4500 for the operation of the annual Healdsburg Future Farmers Country Fair, the club again will participate in the Twilight Parade and sell hot dogs, Polish dogs, garlic and french fries and soft drinks at the Fairway.

Roger Dormire is heading up the Bicycle Brigade committee. All able bodied Kiwanians are urged to get on their bicycles and become a part of the club's traditional entry in the Twilight parade set for Thursday evening May 22. As President George says "Coordination not required, a good attitude is recommended." The fair grounds at Recreation Park will open after the parade and much help will be needed that evening at the food booth. Chris Metrulas is in charge of the food booth committee and he can use all the help he can get. Sign up for as many shifts as you can.



Kevin Deas, right, the Kiwanis Student of the Month, is congratulated by Vince Dougherty who presented Kevin to the club membership.

Kevin Deas Named Student of Month

An accomplished musician and athlete and outstanding student Kevin Deas, son of Pam and Paul Deas, was named student of the month and was presented to the club by Student of the Month committee member Vince Doiugherty at the April 8 meeting. In attendance were his parents and grandparents Judy and Edgar Deas, a member of Kiwanis and past president. His great grandfather Allen Owen was a long time member of the Kiwanis Club having served in many capacities. Kevin's father Paul also received a Kiwanis student of the month award during his high school career

Kevin who has been accepted to nine Ivy League universities, plans to study mechanical engineering or Psychology. He maintained a 3.67 GPA during his high school career and was active in varsity baseball and served on the Associated Student Body.

Weekly Programs Important Part of Kiwanis Club Meetings , Need Help

Vince Dougherty who has been providing the weekly programs for the Tuesday meetings issued a request to the club membership to help find interesting and informative speakers.

Look around the community – business, education, entertainment, charity, non-profits – to see if there is a program out there that will inform and entertain the members of the club.

Vince stressed that "not having a speaker takes the camaraderie out of the meeting." So if you can come up with a speaker or special program, contact Vince to set up a date. At one time each member throughout the year was required to supply a program for the weekly meetings.

\$8000 Approved by Governing Board For Four Scholarships

At the request of Loretta Strong, Scholarship Selection Committee chair, the board at its April 10 meeting approved an expenditure of \$8000 for the scholarship committee to award to deserving applicants. This means that each scholarship which will be presented to the awardees at the Award Nights Program at the high school on May 20 will be worth at least \$2000. The \$8000 coming from the project fund will be above any additional funds earned by the Healdsburg Memorial Scholarship Fund. These earnings have not yet been calculated and will be added to the four scholarships prior to the beginning of the school year.

The Scholarship Selection Committee – Loretta Strong, Jerry Strong, Lee Gunnerson, Pete Peterson and Arnold Santucci - met during April to evaluate the 20 applications from the Healdsburg High School. Eleven candidates were interviewed and four were selected to be awarded the scholarships.

George Diebold will present the scholarships at the award ceremonies (usually the committee chair makes the presentations but Loretta will be out of the country at that time) and the following week the four recipients will be guests at the club's weekly luncheon meeting.

In other business at the board meeting immediate past president Roger Dormire's request that the charity fund collected during his term of office be sent to the North County Community Services was acknowledged. His request was acted upon and the funds sent to that charity.

Approved was a motion to give five Boy Scout camperships, totaling \$1000, in honor of Neil Iversen. The money is to come from unused funds allocated to the Boy Scouts in the budget.

An annual donation of \$340 to the Kiwanis International was approved on a motion by Andy Smith and seconded by Vince Ciolino.

The membership application of Sean Thomas sponsored by Lockie Gillies was approved. He will be inducted at the May 6 meeting.

The board approved a \$1,000,000 liability insurance policy for the club. The transaction will be handled by Jack Brandt.

2008-2009 Officers, Board Members Will be Elected at the May 13 Meeting

Lee Gunnerson, chairman of the nominating committee, announced the slate of officers for 2008-2009 at the April 29 meeting.

Selected to serve are Dennis Gary, president; Loretta Strong, first vice president; Bob Taylor, second

vice president; Phil Luks, secretary; and Albert Peterson, treasurer. Rick Norman who served as first vice president this year announced that he would be unable to take on the responsibilities of president in 2008-2009 because of a long term work commitment out of town.

New members of the board who will serve for two years are David Jones, James Colgan, Ron Doble and Doug Newton. Hunt Conrad will serve for the one year left on Phil Luks term as board member. Returning to the board for another year will be Jack Brandt, Chris Metrulas and Ken Scharer.

The official election is slated for Tuesday, May 13. If anyone wishes to be a candidate for any office or board member please contact Lee Gunnerson.

A Few More Inter Clubs To Go

Jerry Strong, chairman of the Inter Club committee, said that there are only six more clubs to visit. However he said that he needs help from the membership to take the time to visit the clubs remaining on the roster.

He stressed that the meetings with other clubs are usually lots of fun and offer the opportunity of enjoying the fellowship with our club members as well as with the members of the other clubs in Division 32.

There are 17 clubs in Division 32, some meeting for breakfast, most for lunch and a few in the evening. The clubs are located in Clearlake, Cloverdale, Geyserville, Oakmont, Santa Rosa, Sonoma, Willits, Ukiah, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Petaluma, Rohnert Park/Cotati, Sebastopol and Windsor.

Contact Jerry if you are willing to take time to complete the Round Robin of visits



ENJOYING A RECENT WEEKEND OF SKIING At Bear Valley were fellow Kiwanians, from left, Jerry Strong, Hunt Conrad, Roger Dormire, Dan Gianni, Jim Lucchesi, Lockie Gillies, and seated, relatives and friends of Dan Gianni, Lance, Will Langdon and Lanny Langdon.



CLOSING CEREMONY: In concluding the dinner and program honoring Neil Iversen on April 18 the guests, including many boy scouts and leaders, gathered in the lobby of the Villa Chanticleer around the Boy Scout campfire and recited the Troop 21 closing song, with Neil leading the group as he has done so many times in the past a fitting ending to the evening as the group listened to the playing of taps.

An Ode To Neil :

by LeRoy Steck, the Club's official Limerick Writer

To honor Neil is what's it all about,
And he deserves it I hope to shout,
He served many youth,
I tell you in truth,
So here's to Neil a really good scout.
(Presented at the April 22 meeting).

HAPPY AND SAD: Dan Maraviglia happy that the club's recent trip to San Francisco was very successful ...Pete Peterspn happy that Kevin Deas, his grand nephew, received the student of the month awardJim Birdsong happy to announce that he has been with the Bank of the West in Healdsburg for twenty yearsJerry Strong very happy that his son and daughter-in-law took part in the Boston Marathon ...Neil Iversen very happy about the dinner honoring him so he donated \$100 to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund ...Jim Silveira very happy that he has sold his Novato auto agency ...Pete Peterson happy that Ken Rochioli won two first prizes at the Petaluma Chili Cook Off.

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