

KIWANIAN OF THE YEAR: 2008-2009 On left, President George Diebold presents the Kiwanian of the Year award to Project and Membership Treasurer Albert (Pete) Peterson at the annual installation dinner Tuesday night September 30. At right, Dennis Gary/.

Kiwanian of the Year Award Presentation Highlights Annual Installation Ceremonies

As one of his final official acts at the September 30 installation dinner at the Villa Annex outgoing president George Diebold awarded the prestigious Kiwanian of the Year Award to Project and Membership treasurer Albert (Pete) Peterson for his invaluable counsel and dedication to the club's community involvement.

Although many of the members stepped forward to do an outstanding job for the club there is one member who helped me do a better job and helped to make this a great club, George said as he called Pete to the head table to receive his award.

Following the presentation, George expressed his appreciation to the club for allowing him to serve as president.

"I enjoyed being president this year ... I did the best I could and saw it through.

Past Lt. Governor Robert Young of Petaluma, instead of newly installed Divison 32 Lt. Governor Rich Fuller of Windsor who had another commitment, officiated at the installation of the 2008-2009 officers of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club. Installed were Dennis Gary, president, Loretta Strong, 1st Vice President, Phil Luks, secretary and Albert Peterson, treasurer. 2nd Vice President Robert Taylor was not present vacationing in Hawaii.

New board members installed for a two year term were Jim Colgan, David Jones, Doug Newton and Ron Doble who was unable to attend.

New president Dennis Gary who joined the club in November, 1995 and has served for many years as Administrative Treasurer , in his inaugural speech, praised outgoing president George Diebold for his dedication and hard work.

"He put his heart and soul into his year." he said.

He also had praise for secretary Dee Whitehall... she took her job very seriously. He added that he was looking forward to working with incoming secretary Phil Luks.

He emphasized that , during his year, he would like to see the club increase its help with the schools – reactivate the helping to read in the first grade, institute a student of the month at the middle (Please see Award Page 3).

Calendar.

October 7: Regular meeting, 12 noon, Villa Annex

October 9: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m., at Healdsburg Police Department's Conference Room.

October 14: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

October 21 Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.

October 28: 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.

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OFFICERS 2008-2009

Dennis Gary, President
Loretta Strong, 1st V.P.
Robert Taylor, 2nd V.P.
Phil Luks, Secretary
Albert (Pete) Peterson, Treasurer
George Diebold, Past President

Board of Directors

Jack Brandt
James Colgan
Hunt Conrad
Ron Doble
David Jones
Chris Metrulas
Doug Newton
Ken Scharer

Memorial Scholarship Fund

Board of Directors

John Bippart
John (Jack) Brandt
Dan Maraviglia
Charles Reichel
Dennis Stead

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Happy Birthday

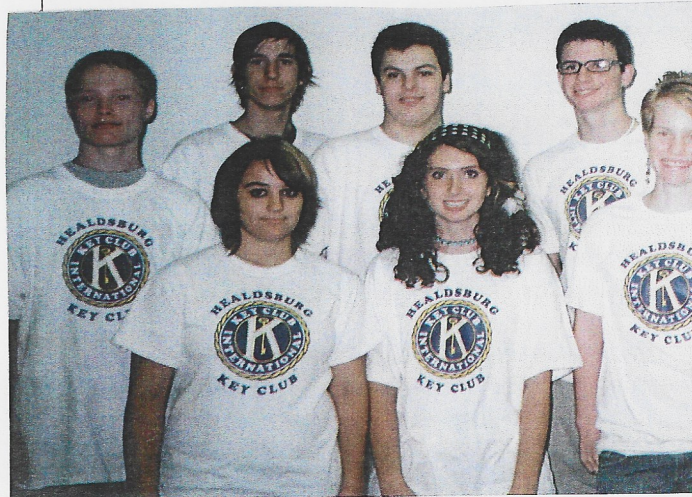
Dennis Stead: 10-7
Tim Tuscany: 10-11
Vince Ciolino: 10-27
Dan Gianni: 10-27
Lee Gunnerson: 10-30

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

10-24-74: Charles Reichel
10-20-92: Dana Burwell
10-15-96: Hugo Bauer
10-5-99: Dee Whitehall
10-30-01: James Lucchesi
10-31-06: Phil Luks
10-9-07: James Colgan

Installation of 2008-2009 Officers



Top photo, left, Past Lt. Governor Robert Young installs Dennis Gary as president; right photo, Loretta Strong listens intently when Lt. Gov Bob tells her that she has a special job as first vice president; middle row left photo, outgoing president George Diebold very happy to hand over the gavel to President Gary; middle, right, two year board members Jim Colgan, Doug Newton and David Jones (the fourth member Ron Doble was absent) are advised of their duties; bottom right, Key Club members who served the dinner; and right, secretary Phil Luks and treasurer Albert Peterson.

1400 Christmas Trees Ordered; Sign Up for Your Shifts in Late October

Ken Scharer, chairman of the annual Christmas Tree Sales project, advised the membership that the committee had its first meeting and had placed the order for Christmas trees. This year, he said, we have ordered 1400 trees from Cascade West and will be doing business with only one supplier.

Using only one supplier, rather than two or three as in the past, makes it much easier to handle, Ken said.

Also, he added, the club has been able to get a better deal on price and consequently, "the bottom line is we should be able to net \$7,000 more this year."

The sale of Christmas trees is our biggest fund raiser and allows us to follow through on the club's mission statement to help the children and youth of our community.

The Christmas Tree lot again will be located on Vineyard Street next to the Healdsburg City Hall and will probably open just after Thanksgiving which this year will be celebrated on November 27.

Ken said that the sign up sheet indicating the shifts for each day will be available in late October.

AWARD: and elementary school levels, increase our membership by showing pride in Kiwanis, "the best service organization in our community."

Outgoing president Gorge thanked the following for their participation in the dinner: The Key Club members for serving the dinner; Trend Catering; The American Legion for tending the bar; Vince Ciolino for the special red wine and Loretta and Jerry Strong and Mary and Jim Colgan for the beautiful fall decorations.

Dictionaries Will Be Distributed In Mid October to Four Local Schools

Dennis Stead, chairman of the annual First Books Project – gifting a dictionary to all 3rd grade students within the Healdsburg High School District – said that the project will get underway in ten to fourteen days.

There has been a delay, Dennis advised, because Costco had failed to send in the order when the order was placed in September.

Dictionaries will be given to each third grade student at Fitch Mountain, Alexander Valley, West Side and St. John's Schools.

This is the ninth year that the club has sponsored the First Book Project.

Club Quarterly Dues Are Now Due

Treasurer Pete Peterson reminds the members that the fourth quarter dues are now due and payable. Send your check to P.O. Box 1156, Healdsburg, CA 95448 or hand it to Pete at the next meeting.



President George Diebold welcomes, left, Rich Fuller of Windsor, the newly Installed Lt. Governor Division 32 at our club's September 15 meeting. Members of the Healdsburg Club along with Kiwanians throughout the division met on September 15 at the Windsor Golf Club for the Lt. Governor's installation ceremonies as well as the installation of officers for the Windsor and Rohnert Park—Cotati Kiwanis Clubs. Rich Fuller is the third member of the Windsor Club to be installed as Lt. Governor of Division 32 since 1960. Lee Dysart was Lt. Governor 2003-2004 and Rita Schroeder served in 2005-2006. Five Healdsburg members have served in the Lt. Governor's post since 1960 – Dr. Thomas Beahm, 1964; Gerold F. Miller, 1971-72; Bruno Rodella, 1982-83; Kenneth Gonzales, 1990-91; Alvie Rochester, 1999-2000.

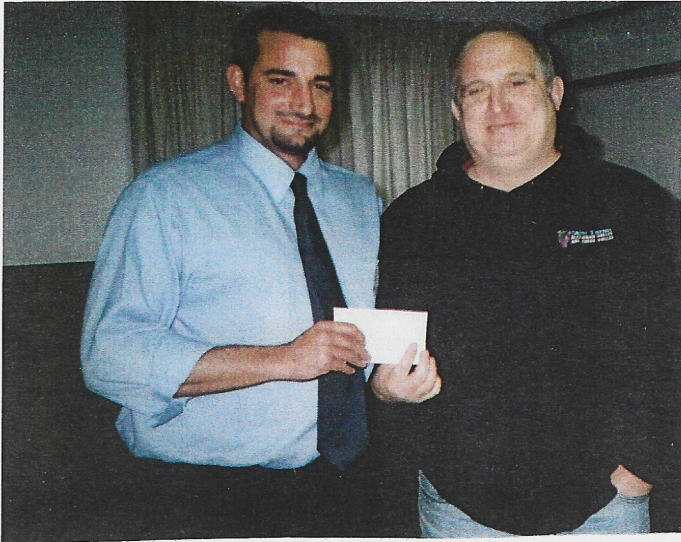
No Action on Proposal To Raise Dues

The main topic of discussion at the September 11 board meeting was the proposal to raise the quarterly dues to meet the rising costs of the club's business and to cover the deficit.

Administrative treasurer Dennis Gary in a presentation and letter to the membership at the club's September 2 meeting pointed out that our dues cover about 70% of administrative costs, creating a deficit of approximately \$23,000. Fund raisers such as the August BBQ reduce the deficit and provide about \$10,000 annually. He pointed out that the administrative costs are relatively fixed and difficult to be reduced. Other fund raisers to help with the costs are contemplated such as a dinner at a local winery.

However, even if we can raise more funds this way it is inevitable that rising costs will add to the problem, he pointed out. Meals constitute our biggest expense. However, it was deemed that we should not try to reduce the quality of the lunches.

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YOUTH FOOTBALL: Dino Ferrari, left, coach of the Bulldog Jr. Midgets, accepts a check for \$500 from Kiwanian Vince Dougherty to be used to purchase shoulder pads for the team. The presentation was made at the September 15 meeting.

NO ACTION: It is proposed to raise the quarterly fees for regular members from \$130 to \$175 and seniors to \$46.

Because of a lack of a quorum, no action was taken at the September board meeting. It will be on the agenda again at the October 9th meeting.

Golf Tourney Raises \$2000 for Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship Fund

Lee Gunnerson, chairman with Jim Silveira of the annual Division 32 golf tournament, announced that the tournament netted approximately \$2000 which will be donated to the Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The event, played at the Windsor Golf Club on October 1, attracted 10 teams, 6 from the Healdsburg Club which hosted the event, 2 from Petaluma, one each from Redwood Empire and Oakmont. The winning team was from Healdsburg comprised of Dan Gianni, Hunt Conrad, Greg Martin and Norman Dunlavy. Second place went to team of Todd Brandt, Sean Thomas, R. Behrens and Aaron Carpenter and third place to Jim Silveira, Lee Gunnerson, Joe Engler and Roger Dormire.

Lee said that the 13 sponsors plus the many players helped to make this annual event a great success. He praised the cooperation that the club received from the Windsor Golf club management and staff.

Healdsburg Band Holiday Concert

Kiwanis Club's music chairman Carl Elze announced that the annual holiday concerts by the Community Band will take place on Tuesday, December 2 in Cloverdale and Thursday, December 4 at the Healdsburg Community Church starting at 7:30 p.m.

The 2009 schedule includes the winter concert on February 15, the Sousa concert on May 3, and the summer concert in the Plaza on June 7. Carl will be able to supply tickets and more information.

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