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# KIWANIS CLUB

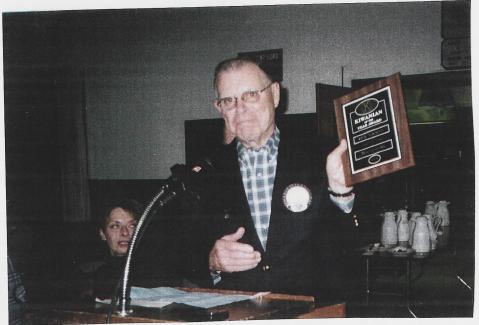
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KIWANIAN OF THE YEAR: Rick Norman received the Kiwanian of the Year award at the club's installation dinner October 3 at the Villa Annex. Rick was presented the award for his many hours of service as chairman of the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club Teen Center project which was dedicated at ceremonies held September 16.

# Christmas Tree Lot Opens November 24; Need Members to Sign Up For Three Shifts

Joe Engler, in charge of scheduling for the annual Christmas Tree Lot, urged all members to sign up for at least three shifts. The shifts, this year he said, will be six hours long, and should make for better scheduling.

The Christmas Tree Lot will open on November 24 and will stay open through December 24, if necessary. But before the lot can open the yard, located just north of the city hall on Grive Street, will need to be prepared. The trees are scheduled to arrive in Healdsburg on November 21.

Committee members assisting chairman Ken Scharer with the Tree Lot project are Rick Norman, Roger Dormire, Joe Engler, Chris Metrulas, Dennis Stead, Andy Smith, Guy French, Jerry Strong, Rob Mathews, Don Marshall and Cullen Wilder, However, all members of the club are expected to participate and spouses are very welcome to help especially serving as cashiers. Also expected to take part are the men from the Salvation Army's ARC facility at Lytton and Key Clubbers and Scouts.

As in the past some of the profits will be donated to the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club who, 4 years ago, asked the Kiwanis to take on this project since the Boys and Girls Club no longer had the volunteers to operate the tree lot.

## Calendar

November 7: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Speaker will be Jerry Cummings, presidemt of Robinson Oil Company who will tell us "every thing we want to know about oil prices but were afraid to ask".

November 9: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m., at the Community Room, Healdsburg Police Department.

November 14: Regular meeting, 12 noon, Villa Annex. Guest speaker: Chris O'Neel, president of Soroptimists.

November 21: Regular meeting, 12 noon Villa Annex. Celebrating Thanksgiving. Spouses and guests welcome to attend. Guest Speaker, Salvation Army presenter from Lytton ARC facility.

Nov. 28: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex. Guest speaker Denise Frye, executive director of the Sonoma County YWCA

December 2: Cloverdale Kiwanis Crab Feed, \$40 per person, see Dennis Stead for tickets.

December 12: Regular meeting,12 noon at Villa Annex. Guest speaker:Dave Pensky of the Pacific Coast Air Museum.

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

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For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club and its meetings please contact Roger Dormire, president, at 433-9095 or Dee Whitehall, secretary at 433-4391.

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#### **OFFICERS 2005-2006**

Roger Dormire, President
Laughlin (Lockie) Gillies, 1st V.P.
George Diebold, 2nd V.P.
Dee Whitehall, Secretary
Dennis Gary, Adm. Treasurer
Albert (Pete) Peterson, Project and
Membership Treasurer
Neil Iversen. Past President

#### **Board of Directors**

Dick Bertapelle Vincent Ciolino Guy French Bruce Main Steve Metrulas Rick Norman Andy Smith Dennis Stead

# Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors

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

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Arnold Santucci, Editor Richard Iverson, Member Vincent Ciolino, Member

#### Happy Birthday

Nov. 1: Jack Brandt Nov. 1: Temple Smith Nov. 2: Richard Iverson Nov. 2: Richard Bugarske Nov. 9: Joseph Engler

Nov. 10: Jerry Strong Nov. 18: Fred Corson Nov. 28: Dan Maraviglia

#### Kiwanis Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following who joined Kiwanis during the month of November.

Lee Gunnerson: 11-14-91 Dennis Gary: 11-7-95 Dan Gianni: 11-26-96 The President's Message:

# Need Input on Major Project For Year

By Roger Dormire

October is now history and I only have eleven more months to complete. I can now appreciate all the work our previous presidents have done and I really understand that no one can do everything. Having a successful club takes a lot of work and that needs a lot of hands.

A special thank you to Dee Whitehall who has agreed to be our secretary for the next year. This is a very important job, takes a lot of work and time and gets very little recognition for that effort. Hopefully you will express your personal gratitude when you next see Dee.

Another thank you to second vice president George Diebold for providing quality speakers for all of our meetings. He needs help and each of us needs to pitch in. Please let George know when you can provide a speaker.

I also need some help in determining what out major community project for the next year will be. It would be a terrible shame if some worthwhile project wasn't done because you didn't let us know about the need. Think about this and let a board member know.

November means the beginning of Christmas trees, yes the trees will be delivered on November 21 and the yard needs to be ready. This is by far our most important fund raiser and as all of you know, takes a tremendous amount of work. We need EVERY member to do their share. The work schedule is now being passed around at our meetings so please sign up and sign often.

Don't forget that for our meeting on November 21 spouses and guests are invited.

Thank you for your patience while I get used to my new role (I really thought the meetings started at 12:00) and I hope to see you all in November, especially you Tom Barron.

## Stead Elected to Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors, Bippart and Brandt Re-elected

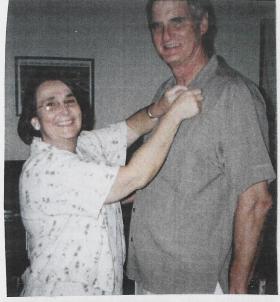
By unanimous voice vote John Bippart and John Brandt were reelected to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's Memorial Scholarship Fund board of directors and Dennis Stead was elected replacing Lee Gunnerson who choose not to serve again.

The slate for the board was presented to the membership by Dan Maraviglia at the October 24 meeting with the election being held on October 31. There were no nominations from the floor.

The Memorial Fund was established to provide funding for the scholarships (4 in recent years) awarded to graduating seniors at the Healdsburg High School. Only the income from the fund, invested conservatively by the board of directors, can be used for the scholarships. In the past few years four \$1500 scholarships were given to seniors chosen by the Scholarship Selection Committee working closely with the high school's counseling department. Some years the scholarships funding had to be augmented by the Project Fund.

Serving along with John Bippart, John Brandt and Dennis Stead are long time members of the Fund's Board Dan Maraviglia and Chuck Reichel.

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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2006-2007: Top photo left, Debbie Dormire pins the president's pin on her husband Roger Dorimire; Roger presents past president's gavel to outgoing president, Neil Iversen; Dee Whitehall receives applause for continuing as secretary for the year; second row photos: left, Lockie Gilles, first vice president and George Diebold, second vice president, are congratulated by Lt. Governor Bob Young of Petaluma; Dennis Gary , Administrative Treasurer, is installed in that position by Lt. Governor Young.

# **Newly Installed President Roger Dormire Presents Goals for Year**

Before a capacity crowd of members, family and friends the officers for 2006-2007 were installed by Lt. Governor Bob Young of Petaluma at a dinner on Tuesday, October 3 at the Villa Annex.

Installed were Roger Dormire, president, Lockie Gillies, first vice president, George Diebold, second vice president, Dee Whitehall, secretary, Dennis Gary, administrative treasurer, Albert (Pete) Peterson, project and membership treasurer, Neil Iversen, past president. New board members are installed for a two year term are Vince Ciolino, Dick Bertapelle, Guy French and Andy Smith. Serving for one more year will be Dennis Stead, Richard Norman, Steve Metrulas and Bruce Main.

In his farewell speech Neil Iversen acknowledged the projects accomplished during his year and presented a Kiwanis of the Year award to Rick Norman for chairing the Boys and Girls Teen Club project and making it a community project. He also recognized Don Reukema for his many years of work on the House and Reception (please see next page)

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Committee, Chris Metrulas for his work on the Relay for Life and the food booth, Vince Dougherty for supplying the programs for the year; to Lockie Gillies for donating his work to install the computer systems at the Boys and Girls Club and at Fitch Mountain School; Dennis Stead for his fund raising projects and to Lee Gunnerson for chairing the Fitch Mountain Foot Race, the golf team and nominating committee.

Roger Dormire, in his acceptance speech, challenged the membership to come up with a new community project and to have every member ask themselves what kind of a member am I? In this way we can make this even a better club, he said.

Another goal ? To beat Edgar Deas on assessing fines over the year!



CHRISTMAS TREES: Ken Scharer, chairman of the fourth annual Kiwanis Christmas Tree Lot sale, holds the sign up sheets and urges all members to participate in this, our biggest fund raiser..

## Program Chairman Needs Your Help

Coming up with interesting and provocative programs 52 times a year is a big challenge. George Diebold, 2006-2007 program chairman, said that he wants to meet the challenge but needs the help of the club membership. If everyone participates it will make the programs more interesting because of the individual members contacts in the community and beyond.

Scheduled for November meetings are the following: November 11 – Jerry Cummings, president of Robinson Oil Co. In an aside George informs us that Cumminmgs "will tell us everything we want to know about gas prices but were afraid to ask!"

November 14 - Chris O' Neel, president of the Soroptimist Club of Healdsburg; November 21-a



GUEST SPEAKER: J. Patch Guglielmino of Healdsburg, crime victim advocate and career volunteer, was the guest speaker at our October 31 meeting. Author of the book, A Flag at Half Mast, a book about her experiences volunteering at Ground Zero after the bombing of New York's World Trade Towers, Mrs. Guglielmino said she had to write the book to clarify what went on there and what the volunteers suffered. The book is available locally at Toyon Books.

spokesperson for the Salvation Army's ARC at Lytton. This will also be our Thanksgiving celebration and spouses and family and friends are invited to attend. On November 28 Denise Frye, executive director of the Sonoma County YWCA, will be the guest speaker.

If you have a program you want to present contact George Diebold at a club meeting or phone him at 433-8008.

## **Committee Chairs Appointed for Year**

The Kiwanis Cl;ub operates under a committee system and could not function without this structure. Chairpersons for the twenty-five committees which will help steer the club throughout the year have been appointed by president Roger Dormire.

Committees and their chairpersons are: Programs - George Diebold; Publications/Newsletter -Arnold Santucci; Public Relations, Gary Plass; Spiritual Values - Roger Dormire; Student of the Month - Dick Bertapelle; Youth - Jerry Strong; We Build - Rick Norman; Finance - Dan Gianni; First Books Project -Dennis Stead; Fund Raising - Dennis Stead; History -Dan Gianni; Interclub - Guy French; Scholarship Selection - Loretta Strong; Boy Scout Troop 21- Neil Iversen: Christmas Trees - Ken Scharer; Community Service - George Clough; Future Farmers Country Fair - Chris Metrulas; Key Club - Andy Smith; Kiwanis Online - Lockie Gillies; Membership - Todd Brandt; Nominating - Lee Gunnerson; Pancake Breakfast - Lockie Gillies; President Advisors - Neil Iversen. Needed chairpersons for Relay for Life and House and Reception.

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\$1000 GIFT: Fred and Evalee Vellutini of Santa Cruz and former Healdsburg residents donated \$1000 to the Boys Scouts Troop 21, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, to purchase uniforms and equipment for boys who can not afford them. Accepting the gift is, left, Neil Iversen, chairman of the Boy Scouts Committee. Mrs. Velutini's father, Alfred Huddart was president of the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club in 1950. Her mother, Evelyn Huddart, was a first grade teacher at the Healdsburg Elemenatry School. The Vellutinis donated the funds for the Veteran's Monument, the Boy Holding the Flag, located in the city's Plaza Square.



TOYS FOR MILITARY TOTS: Bob Taylor displays the many gifts brought by the members to the club's last two meetings. The toys will be presented to children of military personnel. In addition to the toys club members donated approximately \$500, some of this to be used for shipping costs.

# Third Graders Reward Kiwanis Club Members With Smiles and Thank You

Approximately 192 third grade students in the Healdsburg area reacted with pleasure, smiles and a hearty thank you upon receiving their first dictionary.

The distribution of the Merriam Webster Children's dictionary containing 3000 illustrations and 912 pages took place the week of October 9-13 with Carl Elze in charge. He took over for Dennis Stead, the committee chairman, who was out of town. About 25 Kiwanians assisted in this project.

Dictionaries were given to all third grade students at the Fitch Mountain School, West Side School, Alexander Valley School and St. John's School.

The book which each child was advised could be taken home contained a book mark and a name plate . The book mark, in English and Spanish, gave the background information on the Kiwanis Club and its goals and community involvement.

This is the seventh year the club has undertaken

this project. 250 books were distributed last year





FIRST BOOKS: Top photo, Andy Smith is rewarded with a big smile from a third grade student at Fitch Mountain School after presenting her with her first dictionary. Other Kiwanians shown in back ground, Jim Schmidt, left, Steve Metrulas and Jerry Strong. Bottom photo, preparing the books for distribution, left, Jerry Strong, Pete Peterson, center, and John Dayton.

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NEW MEMBER INDUCTED: Phil Luks, center, was inducted as a member at the October 31 meeting with Todd Brandt, membership chairman, conducting the ceremony. Phil Luks, a retired attorney, orginally from the east coast, settled in California and practiced law in the San Francisco area. He and his wife, Charlene, moved to Healdsburg about two years ago. Phil, sponsored by Richard Iverson, said that he is very Interested in community service. Shown here following the induction ceremony are, left to right, Todd Brandt, Phil Luks and Richard Iverson.

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#### **Club Will Host Golf Tournament**

Jim Silveira told the club members at the October 31 meeting that our club won the Kiwanis Division 32 golf tournament held in Petaluma on October 23 and consequently our club will have to host the tournament next year.

Jim said that the 18 hole event will probably take place at the Windsor Golf Club next October.

HAPPY AND SAD: Loretta Strong, vacationing in the Shasta area, happy that they ran into Rick Alves, former Healdsburg Police Chief and former Kiwanian. Rick moved to that area a number of years ago and took on the job of Police Chief of Shasteen....John Bippart happy to report that he visited Tom Barron in the hospital and " he looked like a million bucks with his new heart valve"....Dick Bertapelle happy for Vince Ciolino winning a double gold for his Syrah at the Harvest Fair. Dick also happy he would be vacationing in Maui ... Pete Peterson happy to report that the city reimbursed our club \$673 for a water meter at the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Teen Center. Pete said you not only have to request a reimbursement, you also have to ask for it ...Gary Plass happy about the large turnout of veterans and family members at the Veteran's Day Breakfast sponsored by the American Legion October 29 at the Villa.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Experience is something you don't get until you need it - Thanks to Chris Metrulas