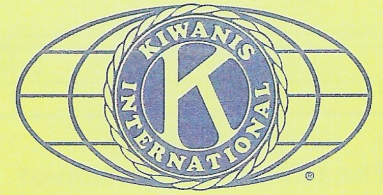


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David Jones, left, chairman of the Fitch Mountain Foot Race and Dan Maraviglia wearing the new 2010 T-Shirt with the new logo designed by sixth grader Brenley Seanor.

## Another Successful Event: 300 Runners Participate in Annual Fitch Mountain Foot Race

Under blue skies and ideal weather conditions 300 3K and 10K runners took part in the 36<sup>th</sup> annual Fitch Mountain Foot Race on Sunday, June 13 starting one half a block from the Plaza Square. The funds from the race as usual, went to the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's Memorial Scholarship Fund. The income from the Scholarship Fund helps to award scholarships to Healdsburg High School graduating seniors. Five recipients of the fund were awarded \$3000 each this year, part of the \$15,000 coming from the Fund and part from the club's Project Fund.

This year there were a few innovations including a contest for Healdsburg Junior High School students to create a new logo for the t-shirt which each participant received. Also, this year, the names of the sponsors were printed on the back of the t-shirt instead of on a wooden board usually propped up near the Plaza gazebo. (Please See Page 3).

## Calendar

**July 4:** Boy Scouts Troop 21 Pancake Breakfast, 7 a.m. to noon, Villa Chanticleer, \$7 adults, \$4 child,

**July 6:** Regular meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex. Program: Loretta Strong will report on the International convention held in Las Vegas.

**July 10:** Cloverdale Kiwanis Club dinner and auction, fund raiser to help purchase an ambulance for City of Cloverdale, 4:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., \$50 each, tickets available from Dennis Stead.

**July 13:** Regular meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex.

**July 15:** Board of Directors Meeting, 7 p.m., Conference Room at the Healdsburg Police Station.

**July 20:** Regular meeting at 12 noon at Villa Annex.

**July 27:** Evening meeting, 6:30 p.m. social hour, 7 p.m. meeting at Villa Annex.

The Healdsburg Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday noon at the Villa Chanticleer Annex. For information about the Healdsburg Kiwanis Club contact Loretta Strong, president at 433-6139 or Phil Luks, secretary at 433-8005

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George Diebold: 7/1  
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Sean Thomas: 7/8  
Todd Brandt: 7/10  
Hugo Bauer: 7/17  
Dolores Whitehall: 7/21

**Kiwanis Club Anniversaries:**

Congratulations to the following members who joined the Kiwanis Club during the month of July.

7-15-86: Richard Iverson  
7-22-86: Edgar Deas  
7-10-98: George Clough  
7-3-01: Steve Metrulas  
7-1-03: Richard Bugarske

**The President's Message**

**Kiwanis: Respected and Esteemed**

By Loretta Strong

Last weekend Jerry and I returned home from Las Vegas. It's a great flight flying low over familiar sights like Yosemite's Half Dome and San Pablo Bay. The sights on the Las Vegas Strip were amazingly familiar as well: Paris, Venice and Luxor. But, the real action was inside the Las Vegas Convention Center at the Kiwanis International convention.

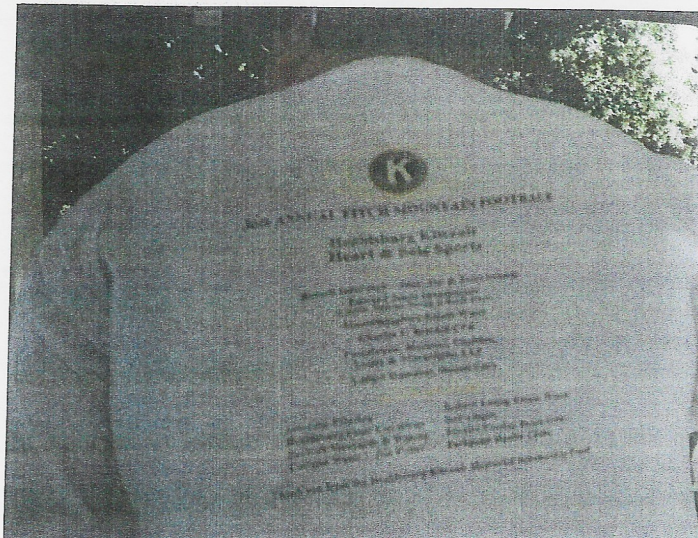
They say what happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas. Well, not in this case because I want to tell you all about it ! I have attended many conventions in my lifetime and without a doubt this was the best ever ! From the moment you entered the 65,000 seat arena hall you knew this was something BIG ! We were inspired early on by keynote speaker extraordinaire Colin Powell; entertained at day's end by the legendary Jay Leno, and moved to tears by actress Teo Leone and international partner UNICEF as they unveiled the next Kiwanis humanitarian project. We were deeply impressed by the polished and articulate leadership of Kiwanis International president Paul Palazzolo and newly elected Cal-Nev-Ha International Trustee Oscar Knight who easily stood out as the top contender.

The seminars and training sessions were informative, useful and productive; but the main take away was clear. We are all members of one of the most respected and highly esteemed organizations in the world today. Our work is the catalyst for change, improvement and hope throughout communities everywhere. Our track record is proven and long throughout history from the stellar fundraising for scholarships to the eradication of iodine deficiency in small children. There is so much more to share.

So please make a point of attending our next lunch meeting on July 6<sup>th</sup> to experience first hand the power point presentation that Dick and I have prepared. Thank you.



**SUPPORTING TROOP 21:** Bob Taylor, right, chairman of the Kiwanis Boy Scout Troop committee, presents a check for \$4,590 to Chris Evans, chairman of the Boy Scout Committee while Scout Master Brian Curtis looks on. The funding will help the troop's various programs- camping and hiking excursions- as well as help those boys who can not afford to join to take part in the scouting experience. Our club has sponsored and supported Troop 21 for over 75 years.



Dan Maraviglia shows off the names of the Fitch Mountain Foot Race sponsors which were printed on the back of the official t-shirt.

**Foot Race:** A number of designs were entered by the Junior High students and three finalist were selected by the membership by applause. The winning design by 6<sup>th</sup> grader Brenley Seanor who received \$150 was chosen also by applause, The other winners were Mary Kelley Crenich, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, \$100 and Aubree Waller, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, \$50.

David Jones, chairman of the Race, reported that Heart and Sole Sports had partnered with the club for the first time this year. He said that Heart and Sole had donated some t-shirts but that they did not send out notices of the race to 5000 potential runners as anticipated but only to 500. Dave also emphasized in his report that there should be two chairmen for future races because of the many factors involved in sponsoring the event.

Sponsors for the race included Healdsburg Kiwanis, Heart and Sole Sports, Brandt Insurance, Edward Jones Investments (Loretta Strong and David Jones), Montemaggiore Estate Wines, Charles Reichel, CPA, Passalacqua, Mazzoni, Gladden, Lopez and Maraviglia LLP, Ledger Domaine (Dennis Gary), Amoruso Printing, Healdsburg Floor Covering, Rochioli Vineyards and Winery, Culligan Water/Jim Fisher, Robert Young Estate Wines, Bob's Signs, Silveira Pontiac, Buick, GMC, Park Point Health Club,

It was estimated that the race netted about \$5,000 for the Memorial Scholarship Fund.

### Cloverdale Club Dinner and Auction

The Cloverdale Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a dinner and auction to raise funds to assist with the purchase of a new ambulance for the city. The event with the promise of many fabulous prizes will take place on Saturday, July 10 starting at 4:30 p.m. in Cloverdale. Tickets are \$50 per person and are available from Dennis Stead (433-6503).



Holding up the winning designs for the Fitch Mountain Foot Race are left, Pete Peterson, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Bob Santucci, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and David Jones, 1<sup>st</sup>. The winning designs were selected by the members at the June 1 meeting.



Young and old took part in the annual Fitch Mountain Foot Race held Sunday June 13.

### July 4<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast at Villa

Start your Fourth of July holiday with a hearty pancake breakfast at the Villa Chanticleer. The event is sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 21 and it is its one big fund raiser.

Breakfast of pancakes and all the trimmings will be served from 7 a.m. to noon and tickets, available at the door, are \$7 for adults and \$4 for a child.

## New Slate of Officers Will Be Elected at the July 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Four new members of the board of directors, the president and president elect as well as the secretary and treasurer will be elected by membership vote on Tuesday, July 6 at the club's regular meeting time. The second and final reading of the candidates took place at the June 29<sup>th</sup> meeting with Dennis Stead, an election committee member, reading the list of candidates in place of Lee Gunnerson, chairman of the committee. At the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting further nominations will be accepted

The slate of officers and directors for the 2010-2011 year will be Richard Bugarske, president; Hunt Conrad, president-elect; Loretta Strong, immediate past president; Albert (Pete) Peterson, treasurer; Philip Luks, secretary and members of the board scheduled for a two year terms are George Clough, Bob Santucci, James Schmidt and Richard Thomas. Remaining on the board for another year will be Harry Jackson, Rick Norman, Martin Silge and Tim Tuscany. Completing their two year term of office are Hunt Conrad, James Colgan, Ron Doble and David Jones.

Earlier this year the board opted to do away with the offices of a first and second vice president and instead to go to the format of having a president elect. The president elect and the immediate past president will serve as consultants and be of assistance to the president. Plans are underway, also, to review the standing committees and eliminate or add new committees. The Pancake Breakfast chairman, in the past a duty delegated to the second vice president, will be chairman of a standing committee. The program committee will also become a standing committee rather than a duty of the former first vice president.

Dan Maaviglia and Dan Gianni are members of the committee in charge of reviewing the committee roster. They will report back to the president with their recommendations in time for the 2010-2011 year.

## Club Helps Kiwanian To Raise \$500 For Relay for Life Walk for Cancer Program

Roger Dormire who annually chairs a team participating in the Relay for Life Walk for Cancer fund raiser announced that the club members helped him to raise \$500 for this special event. He said that the Relay for Life program this year raised \$90,000 for cancer research.

Roger also thanked the Kiwanis members who helped to cook and serve pancakes to the Relay for Life participants on Sunday morning. The Pancake Breakfast for those taking part in the 24 hour walk is the club's way of thanking those who take the time and energy to walk for cancer and thereby raising much needed funds

for research. In past years the club sponsored a team but in the past two years the club opted to participate by sponsoring the pancake breakfast.

## Date Set for Club's Annual Barbecue and Auction: It's Saturday, August 28

The club's annual event to enrich the administration fund has been changed from a Tuesday night to a Saturday event. The date: Saturday, August 28 at the Brandt Family's picnic grounds on Bailhache Avenue.

Dennis Stead, chairman and auctioneer, said that the dinner has been changed from Tuesday to Saturday so more members from other clubs in Division 32 will be able to attend thereby broadening the base for the silent and live auctions. He said that he is seeking big ticketed items for the auction – dinners, vacation getaways, wine, etc. – and, he added, it is not too soon to start. Contact Dennis if you or your family can contribute auction items.

He promises a bigger and better event all handled by the members.

## Scholarship Recipients Send Heartfelt Thanks For The Club's Generosity

President Loretta Strong shared two thank you notes received from the 2010 recipients of the club's scholarship program. Each expressed gratitude for the honor the club bestowed on them:

Angela Perez wrote:

*I am very honored to have been chosen for your scholarship> I am determined to do it justice. Thank you for helping ease my journey into college, BYU ! I am ready to work hard and reach my goal.*

*I wanted to let Healdsburg Kiwanis know that I was acknowledged by Kiwanis Club of Palmdale West when I lived in Palmdale, California in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Kiwanis Club is great !*

*Thanks again for believing in me. I will not only live up to our expectations, but my own as well. Success is the only option.*

*I am incredibly grateful.*

*Sincerely, Angela Perez.*

And Brinda Bucher writes:

*Dear Healdsburg Kiwanis Club:*

*Thank you for your generosity in providing scholarships for HHS students. I greatly appreciate that I was chosen to receive such an award. A thank you does not encompass what it means to me that your group is assisting me in funding my dream of becoming a vet, but for now it is all I have to offer,*

*Sincerely, Brinda B*

(Five Healdsburg High School graduating seniors each received a \$3,000 scholarship this year with funding coming from the Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Project Fund).



**GO GETTER AWARD:** Dennis Stead received the presidential GO GETTER award from Loretta Strong at the June 22 evening meeting. Dennis was honored for his continuous and enthusiastic contributions to the club's many projects – A member since 1999, Dennis is also a member of the Cloverdale Kiwanis Club and was instrumental in its formation. He presently is chairman of the Funding Committee and has contributed to the success of the Food Booth at the FFCF and the annual dinner and auction to raise funds for the club's administration fund.

## Healdsburg Day at Rec Park Raises Funds For Grandstand Renovation, Honors Ruonavaara

Hundreds of local residents were on hand at Recreation Park on Saturday, June 19 when Healdsburg Day at Rec Park was celebrated and Kiwanian Clarence Ruonavaara was honored by having the grandstand which is undergoing complete renovation the Clarence Ruonavaara Grandstand.

Over \$50,000 was raised that day from individuals and organizations sponsoring booths including \$700 from the Kiwanis Club's Pancake Breakfast thanks to Dick Bugarske and his crew – Harry Jackson Ken Scharer, Phil Luks, George Diebold, Susan and Wes Sheehy, Jim Schmidt, David Jones, Roger Dormire, Pete Peterson, Dennis Stead, Lee Gunnerson, Neal Bertrand,

Following the welcome by City Council member Tom Chambers, the invocation by the Rev. Marvin Bowers and a recap of the plans for the renovation

project by Ray Holley, Clarence gave an interesting and detailed history of the park and the Lighting Committee and its formation to raise funds to install the lights at Recreation Park. Clarence, a retired educator, was an enthusiastic baseball player playing for the Healdsburg High School, the Santa Rosa Junior College, UC Berkeley, the home teams of the prune Packers and the Odd Fellows. He was a charter member of the Lighting Committee who installed the lights and operated the park for many years until the City of Healdsburg Park and Recreation Department took over the operation.



**Top photo, City Councilman Tom Chambers, left, presents the proclamation naming the Grandstand at Recreation Park The Clarence Ruonavaara Grandstand to Clarence at the June 19 celebration and ground breaking Grandstand Renovation Project. Bottom photo, Dick Bugarske and Susan Sheehy dish up pancakes and strawberries and bananas at the June 19 event.**

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### KIWANIS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Sean Thomas, The Zinfull Chef and a member of the Cloverdale Club, hired Kiwanis members to help at his booth at the Jazz Festival on June 6<sup>th</sup> held at Recreation Park. The booth made \$800 and Sean donated \$400 to the Healdsburg's club administration fund.

(Photo courtesy Dennis Stead).



### President Will Report on Convention

Club president Loretta Strong at the July 6 meeting will give a power point presentation of the Kiwanis International Convention which she attended along with past president Jerry Strong. The convention was held in Las Vegas June 24-27. Loretta, in a brief report at the July 29 luncheon gave the convention an enthusiastic plus.

She also came back with a Kiwanis catalog featuring new shirts and hats especially for the ladies.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Loretta Strong for coming in first in her 3K category in the Fitch Mountain Foot Race ... to LeRoy Steck on his 79<sup>th</sup> birthday (he donated \$79 to the Memorial Scholarship Fund) ...to Clarence Ruonavaara on his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday (he contributed \$91 to the Scholarship Fund).

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