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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FOOTRACE: Lee Gunnerson, chairman of the 31st annual Fitch Mountain Footrace, held June 11, declared it a success with approximately 300 runners participating and 21 sponsors lending financial support. It was estimated that approximately \$5000 to \$6000 was raised for the Healdsburg Memorial Scholarship Fund . This year the fund honored four graduating seniors with scholarships of \$1500 each. Tim Quiroga, former Healdsburg High School track star, won the men's 10K with a 35:13 . Megan Johnson came in first in the women's 10K with a 41:50. Kiwanian Jerry Strong won third place in his age category in the men's 3K. Top photo, left, Dick Bugarske and Steve Metrulas wait for the runners at the Plaza park standing by the display board thanking the sponsors for their support. Botton photo, runners waiting for signal to start the race. Sponsors were Loretta Strong (Edward Jones & Co), Big John's, Milt Brandt Insurance, Amoruso Printing, Ledger Domaine (Dennis Gary), Silveira Pontiac, Buick GMC, Inc., Robert Young Vineyards, Gallo Family Vineyards, Bank of the West, Passalacqua, Mazzoni, Maraviglia et al, Sonoma Main, Ted Etheredge (Edward Jones Co.), Montemaggiore, Wells Fargo, Matrix Environmental Planning, Wine Country Computers, Healdsburg Floor Covering, Sanderson Ford, Bank of America, Healdsburg Signs and McConnell Chevrolet. (Photos Courtesy Vincent Ciolino)

Calendar

- July 4: Holiday. No meeting
- July 6: Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m., at the Community Room, Healdsburg Police Department.
- July 8: Division Council Meeting, hosted by Geyserville Kiwanis, Geyserville Grange Hall (Oriental Hall) , Geyserville, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Barbecue. \$10 per person.
- July 11: Guest speaker: Ben Stone, Sonoma County Economic Development Director. 12 noon at Villa Annex.
- July 18: Regular meeting, 12 noon at Villa Annex.
- July 22: Division bus trip to Kiwanis Family House grand opening in Sacramento, \$25 to ride bus , includes a meal in a sack. Call Dee Kuba, 838-2130 to make reservations.
- July 22: Kiwanis Club of Cloverdale, Pirates of the Caribbean, at Patti and Rick's house, Contact Dennis Stead for information.
- July 25: Guest speaker: George Rose, photographer for numerous stars and President Ronald Reagan, 12 noon, Villa Annex.
- August 12: Healdsburg Kiwanis Club's Street Dance.

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 Neil Iversen, president at 433 1140 or Dee Whitehall, secretary at 433-4391

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Happy Birthday

July 8: Tom Rackerby
July 10: Todd Brandt
July 17: Hugo Bauer

Kiwanis Anniversaries

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

7-20-71: Neil Iversen
7-10-84: Don Reukema
7-22-86: Edgar Deas
7-15-88: Richard Iversen
7-14-98: George Clough

Starting July Off With A Bang !

By Neil Iversen

Well. It looks like we will start July off with a BANG ! as the first Tuesday is July 4th, but we will have no meeting due to the holiday. And I will be busy with the Scout Troop 21 annual Pancake Breakfast July 4 from 7 a.m. to noon at the Villa Chanticleer.

With the Fitch Mountain Footrace over and also the Relay for Life, I want to thank Lee Gunnerson, chair, Joe Engler, Carl Elze, Jerry Strong, Bob Taylor, Dennis Gary, Vince Ciolino and any others on that footrace committee. And thank you to all the club members for taking part at your assigned station during this race.

As for the Cancer Fund's *Relay for Life*, thank you to chair Chris Metrulas and his committee Randy Collins, Gary Plass, Steve Metrulas and all volunteers who helped with the pancake Breakfast June 25 and walked in the *Relay for Life* cancer research fundraiser for Healdsburg.

July 8th is a Division 32 Council Meeting (DCW) and is in Geyserville at the Oriental Hall (Grange Hall to you old timers). This is a surprise for our last Lt. Governor Art Weaver to make him an "Honorary Member" of all clubs in Division 32. If any of you have any old stories about Art or jokes, please plan to attend. The barbecue is \$10. RSVP to Brian Crebs, president of the Geyserville Club by June 30 so he can order for the barbecue. Phone: 857-3557 (home), 793-8300 (work).

July 22 is the grand opening of the Kiwanis Family House in Sacramento located at 2875 50th Street in Sacramento. Division 32 is going by bus if we can fill it up. If you are planning to attend, call Dee Kuba in Windsor at 838-2130. Bus fee is \$25. Make your check out to Dee Kuba as she is chairman. And if it is cancelled due to not getting 47 sign-ups, your check will be returned to you. The address for Dee Kuba is 440 Bluebird Drive, Windsor 95492; e-mail, afkuba@sonic.net

After this event the next event is the Street Dance on Saturday, August 12th. So mark your calendar.

Inter club committee plan your inter clubs as the Division calendar has coming events at some clubs. Santa Rosa club is now meeting at Sam's For Play Café at 2630 Cleveland Avenue (No more at Los Robles Lodge).

Committee chairs: start planning for your 2006-2007 budget as October is just around the corner and our Western Barbecue is coming soon.

Let's have a great July.

Club Will Take Over Sponsorship of Street Dance

At the request of Anita Templar. Executive director of the Healdsburg Boys and Girls Club, the Kiwanis club has been asked to take over the sponsorship of the Boys and Girls annual Street Dance. The dance which generates between \$12,000 and \$15,000 will be held in downtown Healdsburg on Saturday, August 12.

Vince Dougherty advised that he had been approached to make the request to the Kiwanis Club and at our June 6th meeting the members indicated a willingness to take on this fund raising project. He also pointed out that the event would not take a lot of man hours on the part of Kiwanis members.

Assisting Vince with the project and helping to make arrangements will be Dennis Stead, George Diebold, Lockie Gillies, and Rick Norman. The committee will arrange for all the necessary particulars especially with the city police and permit departments.



INDUCT NEW MEMBER: Jeff Gerhardt, center, was inducted and welcomed into the club by membership chairman Todd Brandt, right, on June 20. On the left is Andy Smith, Jeff's stepbrother, who sponsored Jeff as a member. Jeff, on the staff of the Healdsburg Lumber Company, came here with his family from San Francisco. He is interested in helping with the boy scouts program.

New Club Planned For Bodega Bay

Division 32 Lt. Governor Rita Schroeder, before her term of office is completed in September, wishes to establish one more club in the division. The Willits and Cotati-Rohnert Park were formed during the past year bringing the number of clubs in the division up to 19

Members of the Healdsburg Kiwanis along with members from the Petaluma and Cotati-Rohnert Park Clubs spent June 21-22 canvassing the Bodega Bay area as a potential site of a new club. Taking part in this new club program were Dennis Stead, Rick Norman, Jerry Strong, Ken Scharer and John Bippart.

In his follow up report to club members on June 27 Dennis indicated that "it will not be easy."

Funds For Fire Department's Child's Car Seat Program Were Approved

Healdsburg Fire Chief Randolph Collins thanked the membership and the board at the June 27 meeting for helping to fund the purchase of 10 children's car seats, with an option of 10 more, to be given to families who need to replace seats that are not conforming to code.

The board, at its June meeting, approved an expenditure of \$800 with an additional \$500 at a later date, for the program. Randy said that in order to proceed with this program the department needed to have a department member attend a class on how to install children's car seats and be certified in the procedure. He indicated that 80 percent of children's car

seats were not properly installed and consequently could cause injury to a child.

Art Weaver Will be Honored at DCM

President Neil Iversen advised that Past Lt. Governor Art Weaver of Santa Rosa will be honored at the Division Council meeting being hosted by the Geyserville Club on Saturday, July 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Grange Hall (Oriental Hall).

The Geyserville Club is providing a barbecue lunch so a \$10 donation is requested.

Art Weaver, an ardent supporter of all things Kiwanis, has served three terms as Lt. Governor of Division 32.

Special Programs Planned For July

With the Fourth of July falling on a Tuesday President Neil reminded the club members that there will not be a meeting on that date.

However, Vince Dougherty, program chairman, indicated that there will be some special speakers during the rest of the month. Featured on July 11 will be Ben Stone, Economic Development Director for Sonoma County. And slated for July 25 is George Rose, described as "photographer for numerous stars and President Reagan."

During the past month Vince has supplied us with some very interesting guest speakers including two local residents, Nate Pile, son of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Pile, who publishes a financial newsletter considered one of the top three in the country and Jack Cortright of Geyserville who with his wife operates The Big Red Engine Adventures, a wine tasting company in the Alexander, Dry Creek and Russian River valleys that uses a restored antique fire truck to take tourists on wine tasting/picnic adventures.



Jack Cortright, center, talks about his antique fire truck with Kiwanis members following his appearance at the June 20 meeting.

Inter club Program Assignments

Guy French, co-chair with Jack Brandt of the inter club program, advised that he is asking all those who were in charge last year of official visits to the 18 clubs in Division 32 to take on the job again this year. He said that if the chair of the visit to a certain club could not participate he or she needs to find a replacement. The visits to all the clubs need to be completed by September 30 including a visit to an out of division club.

Chairs of the club visits need to make arrangements for the visits as well as recruit at least 3 club members to attend.

Chairs and the clubs to visit are: Lee Gunnerson, Clearlake (Tuesday, 7 a.m.); Dennis Stead, Cloverdale (Thursday, 7 a.m.); Ken Rochioli, Geyserville (Thursday, 7:30 p.m.); Jack Brandt, Lakeport (Wednesday, 7 a.m.); Gary Plass, Oakmont (Thursday, 8:30 a.m.); Jerry Strong, Petaluma (Tuesday, 12 noon); Carl Elze, Redwood Empire, Santa Rosa (Thursday, 7 a.m.); John Bippart, Santa Rosa Suburban (Tuesday, 12:15 p.m.); Vince Dougherty, Santa Rosa, (Thursday, 12:15 p.m.); Mario Lucchesi, Sebastopol, (Friday, 12:15 p.m.); Dan Maraviglia, Sonoma, (Tuesday, 7 p.m.); George Diebold, Sonoma Plaza, (Wednesday, 12 noon); Pete Peterson, Ukiah, (Tuesday, 12 noon); Dee Whitehall, Windsor (Wednesday, 12 noon); Lckie Gillies or Vince Dougherty, Out of Area. Needed are chairs for Cotati-Rohnert Park (Wednesday 8 a.m.) Fort Bragg (Tuesday, 12:10 p.m.) and Willits (Monday 7 a.m.).



RELAY FOR LIFE: Debbie and Roger Dormire took part in the Relay for Life Walk for Cancer Research fund raiser June 24-25 at Recreation Park along with hundreds of other area residents. Roger announced that it was estimated that \$126,000 was raised by this annual event for cancer research. The Kiwanis club did not sponsor a team. However, the club did provide a free pancake breakfast to all participants on Sunday morning. Helping with the pancake breakfast were Kiwanians Chris Metrulas, chair, Ken Scharer, Steve Metrulas, George Diebold, Ken Rochioli, Randy Collins, Dick Bugarske, Rich Lehrmann, Dan Gianni and Roger Dormire.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Don Reukema on celebrating his 90th birthday

HAPPY AND SAD: Dee Whitehall happy that two of her sons were married recently one to a young lady from New Zealand... Clarence Ruonavaara happy he was asked to throw the first pitch at the Little League's opening game.

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