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The 4th of July Parade 2025

The Rotary Club of Novato, Rotary Club of Ignacio, Rotary Club of Novato Sunrise and Rotary Club of Novato Evening shared a float in the Downtown Novato 4th of July Parade. The truck was provided and driven by John Cutrufelli. The truck was decorated by members from the four Rotary Clubs on July 3rd (photos on page 1). As usual, the Parade on the 4th was a great event and had lots of support from citizens, businesses and service organizations.

Thank you to Penny Hanson and Gloria Dunn-Violin for taking photos.







NEW MEMBER NOTICE

The application for membership of the following was (were) approved by the Board of Directors and the Membership Committee:

• John Christman: Chiropractor

If there are no objections by:

Thursday, July 3

he/she/they will be inducted on or about:

Friday, July 11

Marisa Remak

Secretary

Keena Turner

Championship Run

Thurs., July 24, 2025 • 7 pm to 8:30 pm

Keena Turner, legendary #58 and 4-Time SUPER BOWL CHAMPION for the San Francisco 49ers, will join us to discuss sportsmanship, teamwork, the championship mindset and what it took to win and sustain dominance during his 11-year professional football career. Now, Vice President and Senior Advisor to the General Manager, Keena will field questions about his "Team of the Decade" and the future of today's Niners squad.

Tickets: Adults \$30 • Students \$15 www.novatospeakerseries.com

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'Of the things we think, say or do: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Is it FAIR to all concerned? **The Four-Way Test** Is it the TRUTH?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all

The Secret Behind the 49er Super Bowl

In 1980, Keena was drafted in the second round by the San Francisco 49ers and played outside linebacker with the "Team of the Decade" until his retirement in 1990. His eleven-year contribution to the team resulted in four Super Bowl wins and a trip to the Pro Bowl. He championed the 49ers to victory as Captain of the 1984 team and was subsequently chosen by his teammates as the "Len Eshmont Award" recipient for his courageous and inspirational play.

Upcoming Programs & Events

July

July 11	RCN Board - 2025-26 Strategic Plan
July 18	Scholarships
July 24	Novato Speakers Series: Keena Turner The
	Secret Behind the 49er Super Bowl
	Championship Run
July 25	President Lynn's Welcome Social

August

Aug 1	H2Open Doors - Robert Marshall
Aug 8	San Marin High Robotics Team
Aug 15	Rotary / UN - Eric Schmautz

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