



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ **Annette Venables** handled the job with exceptional energy and style, looking to **Martin Luther King, Jr.** for her Thought for the Day: *Life's most persistent and urgent question is: what are you doing for others?*

PRESIDER

❖ President **Kim Jessup**, armed with her mic and ready to go!

VISITORS

❖ Another sizable group today. In addition to our two visitors from Peru—**Elifia Guerra Guillén**, president of the Rotary Club of Lima, and **Antonio Nakandakari**, Past District Governor of District 4455—we were joined by **Erik Brown**, ADG from Novato Sunrise; Mill Valley real estate broker **Jim Walsh**; former ADG **Anne Sands** from West Marin; former Tam High teacher **Roland Carr**; **Paul Bonaparte**, a classmate of President Kim's since the 5th grade; and **Ulla Howes**.

CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Club Anniversary*—**Margareth Tanner** (4/28/09) was recognized for her 15th anniversary as a member of Mill

The Four-Way Test

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Valley Rotary. Her favorite Rotary Moment? Digging, clipping and planting down at Terwilliger Marsh, of course!
❖ *Birthdays*—PP **Lee Kirkpatrick** (4/9) celebrated his with a drive up to Alpine Dam and a hike to Cataract Falls. For those who need to be reminded of the natural beauty surrounding us here in Marin, a trip he highly recommends.



► Peru Rotarians visit Mill Valley—from left are Mill Valley International Service Chair Rita Sedano-Garcia, visitor Antonio Nakandakari, PDG District 4455, Elifia Guerra Guillén, current President of the RC of Lima, Peru, MV Foundation Chair Greg Dyer and MV President Kim Jessup. (Photo by Tom McKlveen)

GOOD TIMES

❖ PP **Jane Hall** and President **Kim** participated in a Rotary Good Time: *Painted Bins* during which Mill Valley grade school children created posters that will be selected to be placed on recycling bins around town. Kim noted that the idea is to raise awareness about the environment and the importance of recycling. MV Rotary co-sponsored the event by donating and serving the food.

❖ Not again! PP **Burnett Tregoning** announced the arrival of **Kade Wylder Tregoning**, great grandchild number 16. A bell-ringer, of course!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ We'll start with two announcements made by today's Greeter, **Annette Venables**. The first has to do with the upcoming booth at the Mill Valley Music Festival, May 11 and 12. We have only until May 1st to complete signups. Check with **Dick Spotswood** or **Ken Brooks** when you choose your work time. Also, Annette is asking us to help create



► Greenhouses at 13,000 feet in the Andes of Peru are changing the lives of Quechua speaking farmers.

125 period kits for Tribe Rising. Accompanying PDFs tell the story about both projects.

❖ Don't forget the two remaining Club Socials: April 30 at the **Campbell's** and May 28 at **Phil Richardson's** home.

❖ Mountain Play dates this year are June, 2, 8, 9, and 16. The sign up sheet is available at every meeting. Check with PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** if you have questions or want to request a special work date.

Mt. Play Booth
will be open for
business!

KINKY BOOTS!
JUNE 2, 8, 9, 16

Check your calendar
and be ready to
sign up soon

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

❖ Plans are in the works for a fantastic combination wrap-up and new beginning as we gather to celebrate at the *Annual Installation Dinner*, which is scheduled for June 18 at the Golf Clubhouse. Hope to see everybody there as the club celebrates 2023-24 and gears up for 2024-25!

SPECIAL VISITORS

❖ We had very special visitors today: the President of the Rotary Club of Lima, Peru, **Elifia Guerra Guillén**, accompanied by **Antonio Nakandakari**, Past District Governor of District 4455, made a personal visit to Mill Valley to say hello and thank us for our support of the

SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 18, 2024 INSTALLATION DINNER MV Golf Clubhouse

Greenhouse Project. Elifia's club now acts as the sponsoring host club for the very successful Nutrition and Economic Development Global Grant Project in the highlands of Peru.

According to Foundation Chair PP **Greg Dyer**, we are continuing to work with our Peruvian partners, Elifia's club and Kusimayo, on the sixth global grant for \$80,000. It is expected that this grant will



► Greeter Annette Venables poses with visitor Erik Brown, ADG from Novato Sunrise. (Photo by Tom McKIveen)

create another 30 greenhouses in the Altiplano of Peru.

LAST CALL FOR THE MILL VALLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL

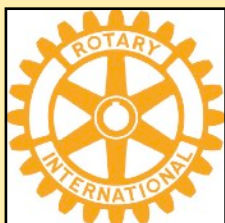
★ We only have until May 1st to get all of the names of the Mill Valley Rotarians who will be manning the special booth being provided by the organizers of the upcoming Mill Valley Music Festival. The booth will be open from noon to 7 p.m. on May 11 and 12. Contact Ken Brooks or Dick Spotswood to sign up for duty. Should be fun and a great way for us to tell the Mill Valley Rotary story to festival attendees.

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

John Carmichael 4/2/22

Donald Herzog 4/5/83

Margareth Tanner 4/28/09



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Lee Kirkpatrick 4/9

Mel Matsumoto 4/12

Donald Herzog 4/14

Chuck Waldron 4/14

Todd Cusimano 4/16

Burnett Tregoning 4/20

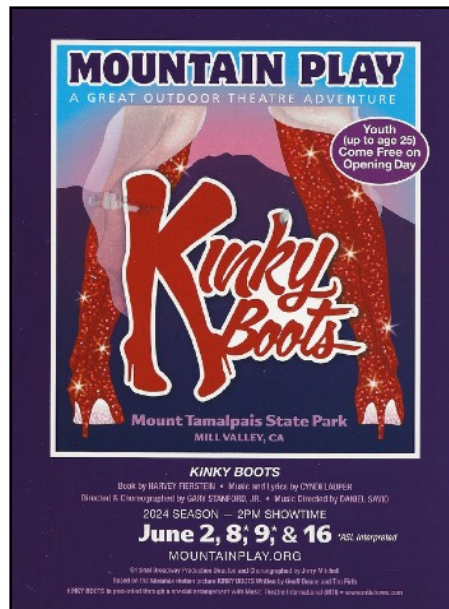
Larry Davis 4/23



THREE NEW MEMBERS

❖ Three new members have been approved by the Board and soon will be inducted into membership at a regular meeting. Welcome aboard **Michele Crncich Hodge**, **Michelle Terrell** and **Caroline Joachim**. All three are Mill Valley residents.

❖ **Michele Hodge** is a sales and leasing agent at L&L Realty & Property Management, Sausalito. She has lived in Mill Valley since 1964 and currently serves as a Mill Valley School District board trustee. She has expressed interest in working on local community projects, Service to Seniors, Scholarships and Youth



Programs. She is sponsored by PP **Lisán Campbell**.

❖ **Michelle Terrell** is employed by the City of Mill Valley as a Community Engagement Liaison. Her work experience includes 20 years in education policy, including work at Harvard University in an international scholarship program. She has expressed interest in Local Community Projects, Scholarship[s], International Projects and Social Media & Newsletter (Yeah!!!!) Her sponsors are PP **Bob Canepa** and PE **Ed Marshall**.

❖ Attorney **Caroline Joachim** currently serves on the Mill Valley City Council. She has been a longtime volunteer in Mill Valley, serving on various boards, including Old Mill PTA, Mill



► Left: Today's speakers: our own Dick Spotswood, left, and Jeff Saperstein. Center: Vince and Ulla Howes pose with former ADG Anne Sands. Right: President Kim and International Chair Rita Sedano-Garcia present a Mill Valley Club banner to our visitor, Elifia Guerra Guillén, president of the Rotary Club of Lima, Peru. (Photos by Tom McKlveen)



NEW MEMBERS (Cont'd)

Valley Little League and the Marin County Bar Assn. Currently volunteering with Marin Villages and St. Vincent de Paul Society, she has expressed interest in getting involved in Local Community Projects, Youth Programs, Scholarships, Service to Seniors and Fund Raising. PP **Bob Canepa** is her sponsor.

PROGRAM

❖ **Dick Spotswood** and **Jeff Saperstein** teamed up to present "What You May Not Know from the News Coverage About the Israel/Hamas Conflict: Why it Matters and What You Can Do."

The Israel/Gaza conflict that began on October 7th has become an all-consuming story in the media and a divisive issue

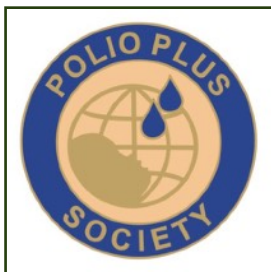


► **Good-sized crowd turns out to welcome visiting Peruvian Rotarians and hear an interesting program detailing the Israel/Hamas conflict. (Photo by Richard Rider).**

with local, national, and global implications. This joint presentation by two local, knowledgeable community volunteers provided some fresh insight beyond the daily headlines and cable news commentary. Jeff Saperstein

discussed the return of antisemitism to America and Europe, why the American Jewish Community feels so vulnerable and how it impacts Jewish citizens in the Bay.

Another stimulating program offered up by the Program folks.



2023-2024 PolioPlus Society MV Membership Roster

Lisán Campbell
Greg Dyer
Ed Marshall
Mel Matsumoto
Phil Richardson
Dick Spotswood
Elizabeth Suzuki
Burnett Tregoning

2023-2024 TRF HONOR ROLL

◆ Foundation Chair Greg Dyer salutes the following members who have donated during the 2023-2024 Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Rotary Foundation Drive. Wouldn't you like to join them?

**RUSS BURBANK
KENT CAMPBELL
LISAN CAMPBELL
BOB CANEPA
JOHN CARMICHAEL
JOHN CHRISTMAN
GREG DYER
JANE HALL
DON HERZOG
VINCE HOWES
JIM IAVARONE
KIM JESSUP
LEW KATCHER
ROBERTA KELLER**

**LEE KIRKPATRICK
BERNARD LINK
CARL LIPPENBERGER
ED MARSHALL
TOM MCKLVEEN
STEPHANIE RICARDO
PHIL RICHARDSON
RICHARD RIDER
BOB ROBERTS
DOUG SCHERF
DICK SPOTSWOOD
ELIZABETH SUZUKI
BURNETT TREGONING
ANNETTE VENABLES**



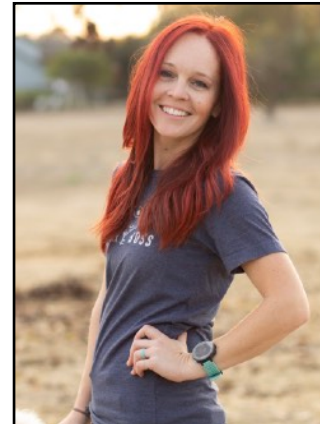
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Next: The Wise Acre Way—A Deeper Look into our Food System



May 7: Farmer **Tiffany Holbrook** will present: *The Wise Acre Way: A Deeper Look into our Food System*. Tiffany is a first generation farmer and owner of Wise Acre Farm, a pasture raised poultry farm in Windsor. When she is not caring for the happiest flock of chickens in Sonoma County, Tiffany is dedicated to educating the community on regenerative agriculture and the importance of knowing where your food comes from and how it is grown/raised.



All food is not created equal and small regenerative farmers are accomplishing big things. This presentation aims to help you know what to look for when purchasing food, while providing an insight to guide you to the right questions for your local land stewards. **BRING A FRIEND!**

POLIO JAR 2023–2024

GOAL:
\$1,000

TOTAL
\$508.00

SERVICE FUND (GEO. HOYLE) 2023-2024

GOAL:
\$10,000

TOTAL
\$9,270.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION 2023-2024

GOAL:
\$7,000

TOTAL
\$6,730.00

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2023-2024

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