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★ GREETER

❖ Ace Photographer **Tom McKlveen** led today's sell-out Holiday Luncheon crowd in the pledge to the flag, followed by a truly Rotarian Thought for the Day: *Let us embrace this season with open hearts and a willingness to help others*—**Paul Harris**.

★ PRESIDER

❖ **President Kim Jessup**, wearing her snappy green antlers (cacti?) and her gavel in hand.

★ VISITORS

❖ Many today, helping Mill Valley Rotarians fill the Golf Clubhouse from wall to wall during the traditional Holiday Luncheon.

★ STILL TIME FOR TOYS

❖ Youth Service director **Emily Uhlhorn** reminded Mill Valley Rotarians that there are still three

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?



ways you can help with the Performing Stars Toy Drive.

1. [Click here to volunteer](#) to chaperone kids while they pick out their gifts on Monday, December 22nd between 1-5. You will get to volunteer alongside many Interact Members and there are different volunteer times available (details on the volunteer sheet)!

2. [Click here to donate to gift cards for teens.](#)

3. Drop off a new, unwrapped gift for children 0-12 at Emily Uhlhorn's house by Sunday (326 Melrose Ave., Mill Valley).

★ SEASON OF GIVING

❖ With the Food Bank and Performing Stars toy bins already topped to overflowing, many Mill Valley Rotarians solidified this as a Season of Giving by verbally committing to contributions to the club and/or the Service Fund. Contributing bell-ringers were **President Kim**; PP **Lee Kirkpatrick**; **Phil Richardson**; PP **Jane Hall**; PP & **Santa Ken Brooks**; **Emily Uhlhorn**; **Robin Keller**; PP **Greg Dyer**; **Joan Steidinger**; **Steve Miller**; PE **Jim Iavarone**; PP **Elizabeth Suzuki**; and **Marilyn Harrison**.

❖ A multi bell-ringer was presented to the club's Service Fund by visitor **Gregg Wisley**, son of the late long-time Mill Valley Rotarian **Bruce Wisley**, who passed away last January at the age of 97. Gregg presented a check in the amount of \$50,000 as a contribution to the Mill Valley Rotary Service Fund, on behalf of his late father. That's 500 strokes, Madam President! Might take a few meetings to

Happy Holidays

★ SEASON OF GIVING

catch up. This wonderful gift will help the Service Fund provide good times for many people in the future.

❖ *What a great day!* Special holiday fare by caterer Heath and a large holiday crowd enjoying it, each other and a special program featuring the talented Mill Valley Middle School Orchestra. Time to salute the hard-working crew that prepared our beloved clubhouse for this stellar event: A huge Thank You to President **Kim Jessup**; PP **Elizabeth Suzuki**; PP **Jane Hall**; **Caroline Joachim**; **Michelle Terrell**; **Diana vonWelczeck**; PP **Lee Kirkpatrick**; **Tom McKlveen**; **Keith Papulias**; **Lew Katcher**; **Bob Canepa**; and guest **Anne Zarraonandia**.

Suzuki; PP **Jane Hall**; **Caroline Joachim**; **Michelle Terrell**; **Diana vonWelczeck**; PP **Lee Kirkpatrick**; **Tom McKlveen**; **Keith Papulias**; **Lew Katcher**; **Bob Canepa**; and guest **Anne Zarraonandia**.

❖ *Editor's Note:* That's it for the written word. We'll let Tom's photos tell the rest of the story. If we can't find room for them all in this issue, look for more to appear in the first edition of the new year. *Merry Christmas & A Very Happy & Exciting 100th Anniversary New Year, Mill Valley Rotarians!*



► **Gregg Wrisley, right, presents \$50,000 check to President Kim Jessup and Service Fund President Lee Kirkpatrick.** (Photo by Tom McKlveen)

★ HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



2025-2026 TRF HONOR ROLL

◆ Foundation Co-Chairs Greg Dyer and Phil Richardson are pleased to report the following Mill Valley Rotarians have contributed to the 2025-2026 Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Rotary Foundation Drive. Won't you join them?

Russ Burbank
Bob Canepa
John Carmichael
Greg Dyer
Jane Hall
Howard Harker
Don Herzog
Jim Iavarone

Kim Jessup
Robin Keller
Lee Kirkpatrick
Ed Marshall
Mel Matsumoto
Tom McKlveen
Steve Miller
Keith Papulias

Stephanie Ricardo
Phil Richardson
Doug Scherf
Dick Spotswood
Elizabeth Suzuki
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Every Piece
Matters

Rotary
District 5150



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**2025-2026
PolioPlus Society
Mill Valley
Membership Roster**
(Join Today—Pledge \$100 per
year to Polio Plus)

Lisán Campbell
Greg Dyer
Jim Iavarone
Kim Jessup
Ed Marshall
Stephanie Ricardo
Doug Scherf
Dick Spotswood
Michelle Terrell
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CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Lisán Campbell 1/7/20
Carl Lippenberger 1/16/01
Keith Papulias 1/30/01
Mel Matsumoto 1/31//89
Steven Bajor 1/31/23
Emily Uhlhorn 1/31/17



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Joan Steidinger 1/20
John Carmichael 1/28
Kathleen Delehanty 1/30



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Next: America's Adversaries and Our Preparedness

January 6: Retired Marine Corps Colonel **Brendan Kearney** will present: *America's Adversaries and Our Preparedness*. A brief examination of America's two primary adversaries - China and Russia - and their relative military strength versus the ongoing US military build-up and the emerging defense partnerships in the Asia-Pacific.



BRING A FRIEND

POLIO JAR 2025-2026

GOAL:
\$1,000.00

TOTAL
\$ 843.40

SERVICE FUND (GEO. HOYLE) 2025-2026

GOAL:
\$7,750.00

TOTAL
\$400.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION 2025-2026

GOAL:
\$7,750.00

TOTAL
\$4,413.00

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2025-2026

President: Kimberly Jessup
 President Elect: James Iavarone
 Past President: Ed Marshall
 Secretary: Lisán Campbell
 Treasurer: John Carmichael
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 Community Service: Jane Hall &
 Joan Steidinger
 Fellowship: Elizabeth Suzuki
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 Foundation Chairs: Greg Dyer &
 Phil Richardson
 Public Relations: Denise Acain
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