



# THE MILL WHEEL



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## GREETER

❖ PP/Foundation Chair **Greg Dyer** had the job today. His *Thought for the Day*? We're not sure about this, but our best guess is that Greg is impressed with the economic advances and GDP growth since the times of Henry VIII. Why? Because it has put each and every one of us in position to contribute to The Rotary Foundation. Remember EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year)? One of the ways for our club to be recognized as an EREY contributor in 2023-2024

## 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?



is for each member to contribute at least \$25 to the Foundation by June 15. That doesn't give you much time if you have not yet

contributed, so we recommend you follow the handy Foundation Donation instructions featured on the next page, and make your donation today.

## PRESIDER

❖ President **Kim Jessup** at her final regular meeting of the 2023-24 Rotary year. Thanks, Kim, for a special year!

## VISITORS

❖ Three today: **Dennis Klein's** friend **Frank Zeidman** and his wife **Carol**, and **Lee Larsen**,

## Mountain Play Booth off to a Good Start

❖ Thanks to a crew consisting of PP **Lee Kirkpatrick**, **Lew Katcher**, **Tom McKlveen**, **John Carmichael**, **Phil Richardson** and three Mill Valley

Boy Scouts, the Mill Valley Rotary 2024 Mt. Play Booth racked up sales of over \$2,400 last Sunday. Three performances remain—June 8, 9 and 16. Have questions? Check with PP **Elizabeth Suzuki**.



► Left: Crew of opening day booth—Lew Katcher, Tom McKlveen, John Carmichael and Phil Richardson—ready for action. Right: Kim and Lisán bring the goodies up. (Photos by Lee Kirkpatrick)

## VISITORS (Cont'd)

committee chair of Friends of Alto Tunnel.

## CELEBRATIONS

❖ **Birthday—Peter Mason (6/7).** Turns out there is some mystery attached to Peter's birthdate. He explained that he was born in Sheffield, England, coming to the U.S. as a young man. When applying for citizenship in this country, he was asked for a copy of his birth certificate which he did not have since it was destroyed during the bombing of World War II. So, he got a letter from his mother, and this is the date he got. Even though Peter seemed to be slightly in doubt about that date, it's official as far as MV Rotary is concerned and PP **John Christman** led the singing of the Happy Birthday Song to help Peter celebrate.

## GOOD TIMES

❖ **President Kim** had a slew of Rotary Good Times:

## MV Scouts Serve Mountain Play Audience

► These three Mill Valley Scouts helped bolster Rotary Mountain Play Booth sales substantially on Opening Day by heading straight to the customers before the performance and during intermission.

They are, from left, **Colin Ryckman**, **Tommy Moriarty** and **Carter Ryckman**. Thanks, guys! (Photo by Lee Kirkpatrick)



❖ Last week's Club Social at **Phil and Barbara Richardson's** house in Tiburon. Kim thanked them for hosting such a fun event.

❖ Her next Rotary Good Time was spent working in Novato last Saturday with the MV Rotary crew that outfitted three Homeward Bound apartments. More on this on following pages.

❖ Finally, Kim thanked our caterer, **Heath De Font-Haberlin**, for his imaginative

luncheon creations. Today's menu featured a huge pan of delicious paella. Even though this is a Rotary Good Time, Kim celebrated Heath and our special luncheons with a bell-ringer.

❖ PP/Foundation Chair **Greg Dyer** reported receiving a bell-ringer and one-half donated to the Rotary Foundation by **Robin Keller**.

❖ President-Elect **Ed Marshall's** Rotary Good Time involved

## How to Easily Donate to The Rotary Foundation

1. Click this link: <http://rotary.org/>
2. In the Upper right, Click the **DONATE** button
3. Scroll down to the second big box and select the dollar amount of your donation
4. At the Bottom of the page click **Sign In** if you have an account or **Continue as a Guest** if you don't
5. Fill in all the usual information
6. At the bottom where it says:
7. **Club Information for Club Credit (optional)**
8. Click the button to the left of **"Rotary Club"**
9. Up pops a box asking for a club number. **Our Club number is 393**
10. After you enter 393, Click **SEARCH** and in a couple of seconds "Mill Valley" will pop up
11. Click **SUBMIT** and you have helped our club make the world a better place.

### GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

attendance at Rotary International's Annual Convention in Singapore. The flight was super bouncy coming home, Ed noted, but otherwise attending the event and mixing with Rotarians from all over the world was a terrific experience. ❖ PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** has been wearing contact lenses for years and when the need for cataract surgery arose she opted for what is called "perfect lens." The lens is multi-focal—she no longer needs reading glasses and she can see distances better than she has in years, without contacts or glasses. "Truly amazing," she enthused.

### HOMeward BOUND

❖ Five Mill Valley Rotarians joined **President Kim** in Novato last Saturday where they helped outfit three rooms of the veteran housing project Homeward Bound. Rotarians joining Kim in Novato included PP **Dick Spotswood**, PP **John Christman**, **Stephanie Ricardo**, PP **Jane Hall** and **Caroline Joachim**. Together they outfitted three rooms with home goods



► **Left: Dennis Klein, right, poses with his guests Carol and Frank Leidman. Right: Caterer Heath De Fount-Haberlin with today's lunch, a delicious paella. (Photos by Tom McKlveen)**



including bedding, kitchenware, silverware, and bathroom items, all made available as a result of a \$900 grant to Homeward Bound from Mill Valley Rotary.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ The big event of the month is the *Installation Dinner* scheduled for the Golf Clubhouse Tuesday evening, June 18. All members of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley have received invitations via email. Contact PP **Elizabeth**

**Suzuki** if by some chance your invitation went into outer space and you still wish to attend. (See page 5 for details)

❖ Again, still three performances of this year's *Mountain Play* remaining—June 8 & 9 and June 16. If you don't have an assignment in the club's sales booth, and want to help, you can contact PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** and she will be happy to see that you get a job.

❖ According to **President Kim**, future MV Rotary projects will

### CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

**Todd Cusimano 6/27/23**



### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

**Peter Mason 6/7**

**Stephanie Ricardo 6/25**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

include Golf Clubhouse garden beautification and a revamping of the clubhouse parking and accessibility. Stay tuned for details.

❖ While it is over two months off, you might want to save the date for the *Annual Bocce Ball Tournament and BBQ* sponsored by Rotaplast. Scheduled for 9 to 3 on Saturday, August 17, at the Marin Bocce Ball Court in San Rafael, this year's tournament will support Rotaplast's mission to Nagamangala, India.

## PROGRAM

❖ **Warren J. Wells**, Policy & Planning Director for the Marin County Bicycle Coalition, cycled to the clubhouse today to tell us about his organization's desire to



► **Left: Guest Speaker Warren Wells makes a pitch for turning old tunnels into hiking/biking thoroughfares. Right: Greeter Greg Dyer, right, poses with Jane Hall and PP John Christman. (Photos by Tom)**



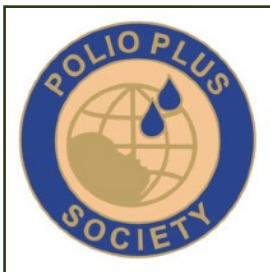
put Marin County tunnels to good use.

In an address titled *Tunnel Visions: Rehabilitating the Infrastructure of Marin's Rail Age*, Warren detailed the past and future efforts to rehabilitate Marin's 19th century rail infrastructure, particularly the

Cal Park Hill and Alto Tunnels, for bicycle and pedestrian use.

Warren discussed the challenges and opportunities of these projects, as well as the costs and benefits that improved transportation access can bring about for all Marin residents.

Anybody up for tunnel hike?



### 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: Rotary Club of Mill Valley Annual Installation Dinner

**June 18:** Wow! The end of the Mill Valley Rotary 2023-2024 year already! How time flies when you are having fun and doing good at home and in the world! Don't miss this special club



event during which we honor the work of this year's leadership and welcome next year's leaders as well. This year's dinner/celebration will be held at the Mill Valley Golf Clubhouse, starting at 5:30 p.m. Special electronic invitations have been sent to all club members. We hope you have already signed up. If not, contact PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** at 415/269-3139 or [esuzuki54@gmail.com](mailto:esuzuki54@gmail.com).

► **President-Elect Ed Marshall** poses with District Governor-Elect **Steve Wright**, right, and 2023-24 ADJ **Erik Brown** at the recent District 5150 Assembly in Corte Madera.

### POLIO JAR 2023-2024

**GOAL:**  
**\$1,000**

**TOTAL**  
**\$616.00**

### 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

**President:** Kimberly Jessup  
**Past President:** John Christman  
**Secretary:** Lisán Campbell  
**Treasurer:** John Carmichael  
**Service Fund (Ex Officio):** Lee Kirkpatrick  
**International Service:** Rita Sedano-Garcia  
**Community Service:** Jane Hall  
**Fellowship:** Elizabeth Suzuki  
**Membership:** Doug Scherf  
**Foundation Chairs:** Greg Dyer & Phil Richardson  
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