



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ Got a nice warm, welcoming hug from today's Greeter. Thanks, **Roberta Keller!** Roberta's Thought for the Day: *It is not the length of life, but the depth of life (that matters)—* **Ralph Waldo Emerson.**

PRESIDER

❖ President **Kim Jessup** at the podium.

VISITORS

❖ Another good turnout: **Gene McCandless; Ernie Bergman;**

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?



James Walsh; Michael Stevens; Patricia Gill, Executive Director of the Schurig Center based in Larkspur; **Craig Sloane;** and **Michelle Terrell**, Community Engagement Liaison at the City

of Mill Valley. Our thanks to **PP Jane Hall** for running down most of these names—still need a sign-in sheet for visitors!

CELEBRATIONS

❖ As you will note on Page 3, plenty of birthdays and club anniversaries this month. Those attending today's meeting were recognized, celebrated and fined in the tradition of MV Rotary:

❖ **Birthdays**—**PP Lee Kirkpatrick** (4/9) is expecting a visit from his son and daughter-in-law; **PP Burnett Tregoning** (4/20) is expecting a visit by family members culminating in a

April 16: President of the Rotary Club of Lima, Peru to Visit

❖ We are going to have a very special visitor at our April 16 meeting. The President of the Rotary Club of Lima, Peru, **Elifia Guerra**, will be attending to bring us up to date on the Greenhouse Project. The Rotary Club of Lima is our new partner club and **Bob Roberts** has arranged for

them to take over as the Lead Club for the current Rotary Foundation Global Grant for the Economic Development and Nutrition Project in the Highlands of Peru. This Global Grant will be Number Six and will bring our total greenhouses to about 185.

► Far right: Mill Valley Rotarian **Rita Sedano-Garcia** visits Peru greenhouse in 2022. Right: MV Rotary Foundation Chair **Greg Dyer** poses with Lima RC President **Eliza Guerra** during a recent trip to Peru.



CELEBRATIONS (Cont'd)

backyard picnic, weather permitting; and **Larry Davis** (4/23) is planning a visit to the coast with **Peggy Keith Papulias** pulled out all the stops when he lead the singing of the *Happy Birthday Song*.

❖ **Club Anniversaries**—When you are the Club Treasurer you are having so much fun that it is easy to lose track of time. In this case, **John Carmichael** (4/2/22) thought he had been a member for three years when actually it has been only two. Come to think of it, John did fill in for some time before becoming a member, so maybe it has been three years. Anyway, thanks, John, for doing a great job!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ On May 5, the Rotary clubs of Marin County will partner with the Marin County Parks and the Marin County Landscaping District to plant 70 flowering plants in front of the Marin Center Exhibit Hall and Showcase Theater. This is an impactful location near the

Scouts Aid MV Chickens

► This is one of the Eagle Scout projects the club is sponsoring. Scout **Jack Moriarty** (pictured) and his fellow Scouts are refurbishing the chicken coop at **Edna McGuire school**. Originally built years ago by another group of scouts, it's showing its age. Not long ago, the electric sensor chicken gate malfunctioned, raccoons got in through the stuck open hatch, and had quite a feast. New chicks are on their way and will have a nice home in a couple of weeks when they move in. (Our thanks to PP **Kent Campbell** for this report).



Frank Lloyd Wright-inspired Civic Center where many exhibits and the Marin County Fair are held each year.

Work will begin at 9 AM and finish by 12 noon. Snacks will be provided. For more information and to register go to the District 5150 website.

❖ President Elect **Ed Marshall** announced that the shadow board

will meet briefly for half an hour on Zoom next Tuesday, April 9th after **Kim's** board meeting.

❖ PP **Lisán Campbell** reminded club members that there still are two more Club Socials on the schedule: April 30 at the **Campbells** and May 28 at **Phil Richardson's** home, 5:30 to 7:30. The initial get-together, hosted by **Annette Venables** on March 26

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

Doing Good in the World with
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

was a great success with a good turnout of Mill Valley Rotarians enjoying each other's company, sipping their favorite beverage and snacking like there was no tomorrow.

THANK YOU, MV ROTARY

❖ **Patricia Gill**, Executive Director of Schurig Center in Larkspur, came to lunch today to thank Mill Valley Rotary for a \$1,000 grant recently received.

Shown at right in a **Tom McKlveen** photo, Patricia explained that the Schurig Center was established 38 years ago to help people adjust to a changed life after a brain injury. This past year an array of 23

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JUNE 18, 2024
INSTALLATION
DINNER
MV Golf Clubhouse



weekly therapeutic, educational and supportive classes/groups were offered, swerving 173 people.

Patricia noted several upcoming events benefiting the Center: 12th Annual Gala, Thursday, May 16 at the Marin Art & Garden Center, and a "Bocce for Brains" event at the Marin Bocce Federation in San Rafael on Saturday, September 21. Visit their website for more information: SchurigCenter.org.

GOOD TIMES

❖ **PP Elizabeth Suzuki** and family recently spent a week in Hawaii. Her party of six, including 2017-2018 German exchange student **Janecke**, went to the Poipu/Koala area of Kauai

TOOT OUR HORN AT THE MILL VALLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL

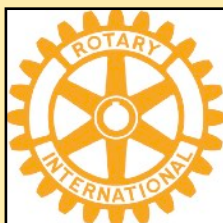
★ Here's your chance to score some points for the Rotary Club of Mill Valley. PP Ken Brooks is looking for volunteers to man the special booth being provided by the organizers of the upcoming Mill Valley Music Festival. The booth will be open from noon to 7 p.m. on May 11 and 12. Contact Ken or Dick 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



GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

for a week and had a grand time. A bell-ringer for sure!

❖ **Robin and Kathy Keller** spent four days cruising Oregon's Willamette Valley, stopping only very briefly to sample some of the area's vintage wines.

❖ Wouldn't you know it, PP **Burnett's** Good Time was family-oriented and had a lot to do with numbers: Great Granddaughter **Adeline**, joined the ranks of his "Southern Family" (south of the GG Bridge, that is) making a total of 15 "Greats" overall. And, you guessed it, there's still one more due any day. Another bell-ringer with another to come!

❖ PP **Greg Dyer** recently spent five weeks on (you guessed it!) Maui, but his real Good Time is that he's going to be a Grandpa. Welcome to the club, Greg!

❖ PP **Richard Rider** shared his son **Luke's** Good Time, who, with his fiancée, is exploring the Palau island group in the Western Pacific. Wasn't able to get all of the details, so wonder if Richard was planning to join them.

❖ Famed *Mill Wheel* photographer **Tom McKlveen** recently joined a community work crew to do some sprucing and planting at Lytton Square in downtown Mill Valley. Tom



► Clockwise from above: On a Hawaiian Good Time trip, from left, PP Elizabeth Suzuki, former Rotary exchange student Janecke, son Sam, Alex (Nick's partner), son Nick and hubby Steve. Today's Greeter Roberta Keller with PP Richard Rider, President Kim, Keith Papulias and PP Doug Scherf. Foundation Chair Greg Dyer chats with today's speaker, retired Marine Colonel Brendan Kearney.

believes there will be plenty of opportunities for MV Rotarians to get involved in similar projects in the months ahead.

PROGRAM

❖ Retired Marine Colonel **Brendan Kearney** spoke to us on

the subject *Ukraine: Where Have We Been; Where We Are; and Where Are We Going*. Colonel Kearney focused on the historical context of the current conflict, and responded to a flock of questions posed by Mill Valley Rotarians attending today's excellent meeting.



WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK 24-30 APRIL

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THE DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

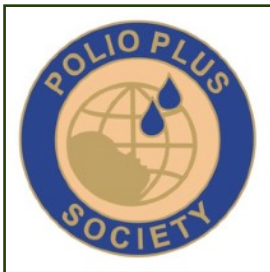
❖ The Rotary Club of Mill Valley was well represented at this year's District 5150 Assembly held at Redwood High School in Larkspur. We'll let the photos tell the story.



► The Peru Greenhouse Project table was manned by, from left, PP Kent Campbell, Rita Sedano-Garcia, PE Ed, and Phil Richardson.



► Above: Mill Valley delegates to the March 23 District 5150 Assembly in Larkspur. From left, President Kim Jessup; Phil Richardson; President Elect Ed Marshall, Dennis Klein; Todd Cusimano and Bernard Link. Below: Ed displays the 2024-25 Rotary theme banner while posing with District Governor Elect Steve Wright, RC Pacifica, right, and Assistant District Governor Erik Brown, RC Novato Sunrise.



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

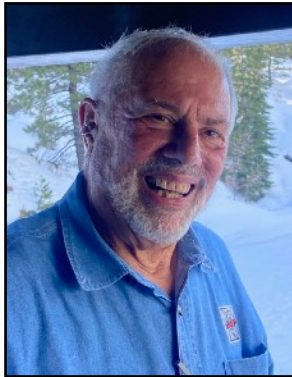
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RICHARD RIDER
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DOUG SCHERF
DICK SPOTSWOOD
ELIZABETH SUZUKI
BURNETT TREGONING
ANNETTE VENABLES



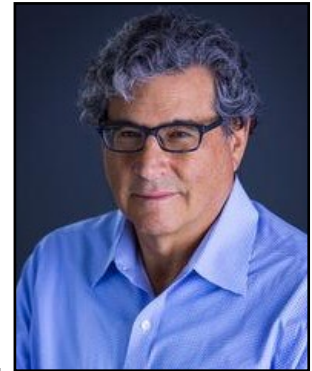
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Next Meeting: The Israel-Hamas Conflict—What you May Not Know



April 16: Dick Spotswood and Jeff Saperstein will 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 with local, national, and global implications. This joint presentation by two local, knowledgeable community volunteers will provide fresh, compelling, and informative insight that goes



beyond the daily headlines and cable news commentary. Jeff Saperstein will explore 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 Area. He will also illustrate with stories and some relevant history how most Israelis are experiencing this crisis and what their consensus may portend for events moving forward. Dick Spotswood will address why this is an important issue for our community and nation, what are the short/long term implications, and what you can choose to do to become more informed and engage positively in the issue. **BRING A FRIEND!**

POLIO JAR 2023–2024

GOAL:
\$1,000

TOTAL
\$500.00

SERVICE FUND (GEO. HOYLE) 2023-2024

GOAL:
\$10,000

TOTAL
\$9,170.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION 2023-2024

GOAL:
\$7,000

TOTAL
\$6,730.00

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