The Mill Wheel

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GREETER

❖ PP **Greg Dyer** flew in from Maui to welcome members and guests today. He and **Karyne** have been spending so much time in the Islands, we guess he figured to make up for his recent absence from Rotary by offering three Thoughts for the Day—Two by **Winston Churchill** (1) *In finance… everything that is agreeable is unsound and everything that is sound is disagreeable,* and (2) *There is only one duty, only one safe course, and that is to try to be right and not to fear to do or say what you believe to be right;* and (3) one by **Mark Twain**: *If you always tell the truth, you don't have to remember what you said about anything.*

PRESIDER

❖ PP **Lisán Campbell** filled in for President **Ed** who was involved with family today.

VISITORS

❖Three today—Mill Valley Councilmember **Katherine Jones**, Mill Valley electrical contractor **John Martin** and San Mateo Rotarian **Tony Villanueva**, District 5150 Governor Nominee Designate. Tony is slated to serve as District Governor in 2027-2028.

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?

CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Birthdays*: Only April Birthday Boy present was Mill Wheel Managing Editor **Burnett Tregoning**, whose Big Day happens to fall on Easter this year. Burnett reported that his family is planning an Easter Egg hunt and picnic to be held in his backyard. We'll have to wait a few weeks to see if the event qualifies as a bell-ringer or not. **Robin Keller** led the singing of the Happy Birthday song.

❖ *Club Anniversaries:* Acknowledged today were **Tom McKlveen** (3/18/14), **Margareth Tanner** (4/28/09) and **Caroline Joachim** (4/9/24).

▶ **Jane poses with visitor Tony Villanueva, DG Nominee Designate. (Photo by Tom)**

GOOD TIMES

❖ It's always a Good Time for PP **Greg Dyer** when he's on Maui. This time it netted the club a double bell-ringer—one for the Rotary Foundation and one for the Service Fund.

❖ PP **Kim Jessup** pulled legs—one belonging to an overly aggressive "person" at Safeway and the other belonging to the Rotary Club of Mill Valley. **April Fool!**

❖ PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** and family recently returned home after spending a week in Hawaii. Rotary 2017-18 exchange student **Janecke** once again joined in the fun.

❖ PP **Jane Hall** had a bell-ringer experience in El Salvador where she participated in her latest "build." Way to go, Jane!

GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

❖ First-ever MV Rotary Ladies' Hike was a success, reports **Joan Steidinger.** Give her or **Lisán** a buzz for details about future outings.

❖ **Robin Keller's** Good Time happened in Sacramento when "the replacing of the siding on Cathy's house was finally over."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ *A reminder*—The Celebration of Life for the late PP **Bruce Wrisley** will be held on April 5 at 4 p.m. at the Mt. Tamalpais United Methodist Church in Mill Valley.

❖ The Rotary Club of Ignacio has announced its 4th Annual Golf Tournament to be held at the Marin Country Club on Monday, June 2, 2025. Registration, tee and tournament sponsorships information can be found at this link: https://tinyurl.com/3yxfs2vc.

❖ Now the men are getting into the hiking act! Want to do some hiking with your buddies? Check with PP **Kent Campbell** regarding the Men's Hike planned for the first Sunday in April.

❖ We have been asked to mark our calendar and participate in the April 26th Mill Valley Evacuation Drill and the Safety Fair to be held at the Mill Valley Middle School. Details on the city's web site.

INTERACT IN ACTION

❖ "Thank you to Rotary for supporting the Youth Job Fair that took place last Wednesday," says **Emily Uhlhorn**, advisor to Mill Valley Rotary's Tam High Interact Club. Emily notes that the club's donation of $500 went

▶ Mill Valley Rotarians settle in at the District 5150 Assembly, Saturday, March 22. From left (more or less!), Kent Campbell, John Poulson, Lisán Campbell, Joan Steidinger, Phil Richardson, Denise Acain and Frank Leidman. (Photo by Ed Marshall)

▶ MV Rotary Interacters set up their Youth Job Fair booth — a Boba Tea Stand—at the Mill Valley Recreation Center last week. Club advisor Emily Uhlhorn stands third from left.

2024-2025 TRF HONOR ROLL

✦ Foundation Chairs Greg Dyer and Phil Richardson are pleased to report the following Mill Valley Rotarians have contributed to the 2024-20245 Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Rotary Foundation Drive. They hope that you soon will add your name to the list.

Russ Burbank
Lisán Campbell
Bob Canepa
John Carmichael
Kathleen Delehanty
Greg Dyer
Jane Hall
Howard Harker
Don Herzog
Jim Iavarone
Kimberly Jessup
Caroline Joachim
Lew Katcher
Robin Keller
Carl Lippenberger
Ed Marshall
Peter Mason
Tom McKlveen
Steve Miller
Stephanie Ricardo
Phil Richardson
Bob Roberts
Doug Scherf
Dick Spotswood
Elizabeth Suzuki
Michelle Terrell
Burnett Tregoning
Annette Venables

INTERACT (Cont'd)

a long way toward supporting the Boba Tea Stand that the Interact Club ran.

"We mixed and passed out over 400 glasses of Boba," Emily reports. The Interact Club also helped with set up and recruiting students and businesses to attend. The Job Fair was a huge success with approximately 500 students in attendance. Emily offered a special thanks to **John Carmichael** for managing additional donations to the Job Fair.

▶ **The Mill Valley Youth Job Fair.**

PROGRAM

▶ **Headlining an April Fool's Day Liars Club are, from left, Denise Acain, Kent Campbell, Dick Spotswood and Elizabeth Suzuki. So, you think you know the definition of words such as Anhedonia, Crutotrichosis, Empleomanic, Snudge, Valgus and Chichiface. The "liars" did their best to fool everybody, but winners John Poulson and Joan Steidinger, right, proved up to the task. (Photos by Tom)**

2024-2025
PolioPlus Society
MV Membership Roster
(Join Today—Pledge $100 per year to Polio Plus)

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

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

John Carmichael 4/2/23

Don Herzog 4/5/83

Michele Crncich Hodge 4/9/24

Caroline Joachim 4/9/24

Michelle Terrell 4/9/24

Margareth Tanner 4/28/09

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Lee Kirkpatrick 4/9

Mel Matsumoto 4/12

Don Herzog 4/14

Chuck Waldron 4/14

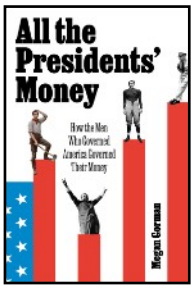
Todd Cusimano 4/16

Burnett Tregoning 4/20

Larry Davis 4/23

NEXT: All the Presidents' Money

April 15: Author/attorney **Megan Gorman** will present *All The Presidents' Money: What The Finances of Our Leaders Can Teach Us About Wealth.* We all have our opinions on how presidents have handled affairs of state, but how exactly did they handle their own financial affairs? In her delightful and chatty book, Megan offers plenty of anecdotes: how a president born wealthy died broke (**Thomas Jefferson**, whose last correspondence was about buying wine on credit), a president born poor died rich (**Lyndon Johnson**, who used his government connections to build a tiny Texas radio station bought by his wife for $17,500 in 1942 that netted the family $105 million 30 years later after LBJ died, and a president addicted to get-rich-quick schemes (that would not be the one you might be thinking of but **Ulysses S. Grant,** who lost money "selling ice, developing farmland, and invested in a social club in San Francisco"). **J.F.K.** was wealthy but frugal, **Lincoln** died without a will, and the **Clintons**...well, let's just say they are comfortable thanks to post-presidential speeches and books.



BRING A FRIEND

POLIO JAR 2024–2025

GOAL: $1,000

TOTAL

$ 507.00

SERVICE FUND (GEO. HOYLE) 2024-2025

GOAL: $10,000

TOTAL

$3,600.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION 2024-2025

GOAL: $7,000

TOTAL

$4,200.00

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2024-2025

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