



• THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ **Dennis Klein** welcomed members and guests today. His Thought for the Day: *A kingdom is only as strong as its people's belief in its king. America is only as strong as its people's belief in each other.*

PRESIDER

❖ **President Ed Marshall** behind the podium.

VISITORS

❖ **Lew Katcher's** friend **Jerry Cahill** made a return visit today.
❖ **Bobba Venkatadri**, member of the Rotary Club of Burlingame, also visited today seeking support for his club's

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?



work in India. He detailed the club's project involving a tribal welfare girls school in Busarajupalle, India.

❖ Oh, yeah—almost forgot: Also signing the Mill Valley Rotary guest register today was none other than District 5150 Governor **Steve Wright**, member of the

Rotary Club of Pacifica. Steve made the special appearance to present a Polio Plus certificate of appreciation to President Ed.

GOOD TIMES

❖ **PP Lee Kirkpatrick** and wife **Margo** enjoyed a very special Valentine's Day date at The Rotunda atop the Nieman-Marcus store in downtown San Francisco.

❖ Staff photographer **Tom McKlveen** journeyed down to Borrego Springs where he joined family for a visit that included some desert exploration. A bell-ringer for Polio Plus!

❖ **Steve Miller** is in a good mood. His rental property is in good repair and the rent is coming in.



► **Left: Today's Greeter Dennis Klein** poses with District Governor **Steve Wright**. **Right: Club Secretary Lisán Campbell** welcomes Burlingame Rotarian **Bobba Venkatadri** who visited today to tell us about his club's work with a tribal welfare girls' school in India. (Photos by Tom McKlveen)



GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

- ❖ PP Lisán Campbell is welcoming the return of hubby PP Kent from his recent visit to Colombia (see photo at right).
- ❖ A trip to Atlanta to help his granddaughter celebrate a birthday was a recent highwater mark for **Frank Leidman**.
- ❖ The meeting slide deck featured pictures of a recent "Ladies' Hike" organized by PP Lisán. If you'd like to join up, give her a buzz for details.

VALENTINES SCORE BIG

- ❖ Members of Mill Valley Village found cheery Valentines in their mailboxes on Valentine's Day, and Mill Valley Rotary's Interact Club played an important role in the project. The cards were handcrafted by Mill Valley students with charming handwritten messages, reports **Connie Dubin** of Mill Valley Village.

Connie notes that members are writing to say how delighted they are by the creativity and



- A sampling of valentines made by Mill Valley school children, including MV Rotary Club Interactors.

ROTARY SCENES FROM FAR AND WIDE

- Right: PP Kent Campbell with Presidente Jorge Luis Jiménez Ramirez at the Rotary Club of Medellín, during Kent's recent visit to Colombia. Below: Remember our recent visitor from Durham, NC? Her club meets in the local baseball park, per this recent photo.



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 2024-2025 Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Rotary Foundation Drive. They hope that you soon will add your name to the list.

Russ Burbank
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



VALENTINES (Cont'd)

touched by the kindness. One note captured what many conveyed: "The Valentines lit up my day!"

Connie notes, "Given how uplifting this Valentine Project is and how widely it reaches people across our community, Mill Valley Village was eager for the 8th year to keep this intergenerational tradition alive."

Children in all five Mill Valley School District elementary schools participated, as did teens in the Mill Valley Rotary Interact Club at Tam

High. Special thanks go to **Emily Uhlhorn**, who coordinated the school side of the effort, and to all the others who made the program a success, noted Connie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Don't forget the **District Assembly** scheduled for March 22 at Redwood High School. Details on the district website.
- ❖ The Polio Plus program "*From Iron Lung to Iron Butt*" will be held at 10 a.m. at the Bay Model in Sausalito this coming Saturday, February 22. Details on the district website.

PROGRAM

❖ Our thanks to health executive **Ki Siadatan** who presented *Revolutionizing Aging: How Innovation and Emerging Technologies are Shaping the Future of Longevity and Healthcare*.



**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**



► Left: Two of MV Rotary's finest—John Poulson and Bob Canepa. Right: President Ed thanks speaker Ki Siadatan. (Photos by Tom)

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

**Richard Rider 2/8/94
Dick Spotswood 2/9/93
Doug Scherf 2/20/90
Elizabeth Suzuki 2/20/96**



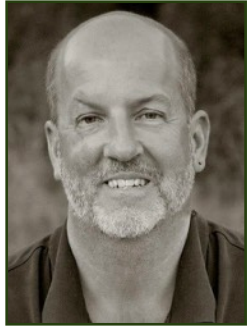
FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

**Steve Miller 2/7
Michelle Terrell 2/14
Dennis Klein 2/18
Denise Acain 2/21**



NEXT: Above & Beyond: What's Next for Mill Valley?

March 4: Mill Valley Mayor **Stephen Burke** and Mill Valley City Manager **Todd Cusimano** will present *Above and Beyond: What's Next for Mill Valley?* Rotarians are invited to engage with the Mayor and the City Manager as they share their visions and plans for the City in the years ahead. They will highlight the city's next steps, following the passage of the Measure L sales tax, for infrastructure maintenance and enhancements, fiscal sustainability, and emergency preparedness. They will also address land use and affordable housing challenges, business and



Stephen Burke

cultural vitality initiatives, the critical importance of public/private partnerships, community engagement, and Mill Valley's ongoing commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Additionally, a Q&A session offers participants the opportunity to pose questions and share insights, enabling Mayor Burke and City Manager Cusimano to better grasp and respond to community feedback.



Todd Cusimano

BRING A FRIEND

POLIO JAR 2024-2025

GOAL:
\$1,000

TOTAL
\$ 394.00

SERVICE FUND (GEO. HOYLE) 2024-2025

GOAL:
\$10,000

TOTAL
\$3,400.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION 2024-2025

GOAL:
\$7,000

TOTAL
\$4,200.00

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

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