



THE MILL WHEEL

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FOR
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★ GREETER

❖ **Stephanie Ricardo's** Thought for the Day was inspired by the recent celebration of Black History Month. She turned to **Booker T. Washington**, selecting a quote from his 1901 autobiography "Up From Slavery": *Those who are happiest are those who do the most for others.*

★ PRESIDER

❖ President **Kim Jessup** at the podium, reminding all attending



► **President-Elect Jim Iavarone** is pretty certain that he's at the right place! (Photo by Tom McKlveen)

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?



that the Rotary 4-Way Test is as relevant today as it was when it was created many years ago.

★ VISITORS

❖ Three today: **Sam Miller Hicks**, **Dan Gannett** and **William Ross**. Great to have you join us and hope to see you again soon.

★ CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Birthdays*—**Caroline Joachim** (3/15) and **PP Dick Spotswood** (3/25) were saluted today. Happy Birthday, Rotarians!

❖ *Club Anniversary*—Ace photographer **Tom McKlveen** (3/18/14) was recognized and thanked for his years of service to the local community and the world through Rotary.

★ GOOD TIMES

❖ President-Elect **Jim Iavarone** and his wife **Bertha** recently returned from a lengthy stay in Mazatlan, Mexico where they participated in colorful traditional celebrations and avoided any of the difficulties associated with



the recent cartel problems. Jim shared a collection of photos taken during the stay via President Kim's slide deck. Looked like a lot of fun to us!

Rotary Club
of Mill Valley

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD



★ GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

❖ Not sure this qualifies as a Good Time, but it was fun! PP **Lee Kirkpatrick** grabbed his guitar and launched into a verse of “*On the Road Again*” in honor of **Lisán** and **Kent** who are “On the Road Again” as they continue their country travels. The audience pitched in on the final verse: “*And we can’t wait for you to come back again*”

★ JOB FAIR NEEDS YOU

❖ Youth Service Director **Emily Uhlhorn** reports that members of MV Rotary are invited to help volunteer alongside Interact members at the Youth Job Fair on March 18. “The Interact Club has been helping to plan the event and and would love to see



► **Guest Sam Miller Hicks is flanked by Lew Katcher and PP Lee Kirkpatrick. (Photo by Tom McKlveen)**



► **Still haven’t figured out what’s in those kegs? Join the Fieldwork Brewing Tour & Lunch tour and lunch scheduled for March 14 in Berkeley and find out. Bob Canepa announced a few spots still open. Call him to sign up. (Photo by Ed Marshall)**

you there,” she noted. Volunteer opportunities are listed in marinyouthjobs.org. Click on “Volunteers Sign Up Here.” Scroll down too “Available Slots” and sign up. Contact Emily at 415/606-7237 with questions and/or to sign up.

★ BREWERY TOUR

❖ Beer lovers alert! PP **Bob Canepa** again circulated the sign up sheet for the March 14 Mill Valley Rotary tour and lunch event at Fieldwork Brewing in Berkeley (see photo). Bob noted that there are a few spots left. You can sign up and pay the \$30 per person fee directly to **John**

Carmichael. Need more info? Call Bob.

★ THE MT. PLAY’S BACK!

❖ Great news! The Mountain Play is back, and the Rotary



Club of Mill Valley booth will be open for business again too, reports PP **Elizabeth Suzuki**. *The Wizard of Oz* will be performed June 7, 13, 14 and 21, so now’s the time to save a date

District Celebration 2026



Westin Hotel
San Francisco Airport
May 02, 2026

Every Piece Matters

Rotary District 5150  Every Piece Matters

PEACE BUILDING THROUGH ROTARY

Saturday, May 23rd, 2026
8:30am - 12pm
Rotary Terrace
312 Miller Ave., So. S.F.





★ MT. PLAY (Cont'd)

to work in the club booth. Elizabeth will soon be announcing booth work schedules.

★ DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

❖ The District 5150 Learning Assembly and Project Fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 21, at Redwood High School in Larkspur. Held from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the event is free to all District Rotarians and features a keynote speaker, recognition of incoming club presidents, informative breakout sessions, the Project Fair and a delicious BBQ lunch.

★ CELEBRATE 2026

❖ Registration is now open for District Celebration 2026, a one day event to be held on Saturday, May 2, at the Westin San Francisco Airport Hotel. The event celebrates the 2025-2026 Rotary year in District 5150 and will feature a



► Visitor Financial Planner Dan Gannett, right, was the guest of Bob Canepa. (Photo by Tom McKlveen)

MAR 18, 2026 | 3:30-6PM

Youth Job Fair

WELCOMING MARIN YOUTH AGES 14-24

30+ EMPLOYERS FREE FOOD + BOBA
MILL VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, 180 CAMINO ALTO

TO REGISTER VISIT marinyouthjobs.org

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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

Lew Katcher
Robin Keller
Lee Kirkpatrick
Carl Lippenberger
Ed Marshall
Mel Matsumoto
Tom McKlveen
Steve Miller
Keith Papulias

Stephanie Ricardo
Phil Richardson
Bob Roberts
Doug Scherf
Dick Spotswood
Elizabeth Suzuki
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★ CELEBRATE 2026 (Cont'd)

festive lunch with club awards, afternoon fellowship and networking, and an evening celebration dinner recognizing outstanding clubs and district achievements.

★ ONE HUNDRED YEARS!

❖ Save the date! It promises to be the biggest and best picnic in the club's history. Don't miss it!



★ AND DON'T FORGET

❖ **Jonathon's Place Dinner**, Wednesday, March 11, 4:00 to 7:00.

❖ **Marin Food Bank**, Saturday, March 21, 9:00 - 11:00.

★ PROGRAM

❖ Our thanks to author **Leah Steinberg** who presented *Raised in the Shadow of the Bomb: Children of the Manhattan Project*. She shared her experiences as the daughter and niece of two scientists who helped create the atom bomb.



► Greeter Stephanie Ricardo, left, poses with today's guest speaker Leah Steinberg. (Photo by Tom McKlveen)



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

Phil Richardson

Doug Scherf

Dick Spotswood

Michelle Terrell

Burnett Tregoning

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Rita Sedano-Garcia 3/2/20

Howard Harker 3/12/03

Vince Howes 3/18/86

Tom McKlveen 3/18/14

Phil Richardson 3/18/08



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Steve Bajor 3/10

Katherine Jones 3/11

Caroline Joachim 3/15

Dick Spotswood 3/25





Next: A Special Treat—Heath on the Guitar!

March 17: *The Heath De Fount-Haberlin Band* will be performing for us. The band is composed of Vocalist **April Grisman**, Guitarists **Liberty Ellman** and **Heath De Fount-Haberlin**. At right the group performs on the MV Rotary float in the 2025 Labor Day parade.



BRING A FRIEND

**POLIO JAR
2025–2026**

**GOAL:
\$1,000.00**

**TOTAL
\$ 1,030.40**

**SERVICE FUND
(GEO. HOYLE)
2025-2026**

**GOAL:
\$7,750.00**

**TOTAL
\$6,600.00**

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
2025-2026**

**GOAL:
\$7,750.00**

**TOTAL
\$10,213.00**

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

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