

# THE MILL WHEEL



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#### **GREETER**

❖ Members and guests were greeted by our favorite electrician Steve Miller, who offered this Thought for the Day: Nothing astonishes man so much as common sense and plain dealing —Ralph Waldo Emerson.

#### **PRESIDER**

**President Bob Roberts** at the helm.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

♣ President Bob reminded the club that an important community

meeting has been scheduled at the Mill Valley Community Center, March 25 (See details in the ad on page 2).

And, don't forget *Rotary Night Lite*, which is scheduled for 6 to 7 p.m. on the evening of April 2. This new event, designed to attract the younger set who can't

#### **DISTRICT 5150 ASSEMBLY ATTRACTS MILL VALLEY ROTARIANS**

▶ Mill Valley Rotarians attending last Saturday's District Assembly in Larkspur included Bill Lambrecht (below left) who subbed for President Elect Lee Kirkpatrick, who had a family obligation out of town. Bill's holding the RI theme banner (*Rotary Connects the World*) which will be displayed at the front of our podium beginning in July. At right, Rotary Youth Exchange students hosted



by our club—Manon Debray (glasses) from France and Jolina Thomé from Austria—take in the opening general session. At bottom right the Mill Valley contingent poses with Assistant Governor Bruce Lyons, a member of the Rotary Club of the Greater Mission. From left are Phil Richardson, Bill Lambrecht, Bob Roberts, Jane Hall, Bruce and Burnett Tregoning.

Incoming District Governor Sue Rokaw, Rotary Club of Fisherman's Wharf, presented 2019-2020 theme banners to incoming club presidents, noting that she plans to stress Community Service with district grants available to clubs for 2019-2020 projects.





#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

get away for lunch, is in addition to our regular luncheon meeting that day and will be held at Image Flow Photography Center, 401 Miller Ave., next to Sol Food. Cost is \$10, enabling you to enjoy pizza and libations and each other's company. Focus will be on projects and fellowship, according to Bob.

- ♣ The president shared some of the service project ideas presented by **Steve Bender**, President of the Rotary Club of Newport Beach, who was the keynote speaker at last Saturday's District Assembly. We are likely to hear more about Steve's programs, such as the sailing program that connected Rotarians with disabled veterans and others with mobility challenges.
- ❖ President Bob also reported that the board is considering support of the Hannah Freedom School in Marin City in lieu of providing dictionaries to Mill Valley Third Graders this year.



▶ Don't miss this important community meeting on March 25.

Our Youth Director, **Emily Uhlhorn**, has championed this support. Serving 50 elementary and middle school aged children each year, the Hannah CDF Freedom School is a six-week, full day literacy rich program that has five essential components: high quality academic and character-

building enrichment; parent and family involvement; civic engagement and social action; intergenerational servant leadership development; and nutrition, health and mental health. Past President Jane Hall enthusiastically seconded the idea of supporting the school.

## **CLUBHOUSE CANDIDS**

▶ Left: Greeter Steve Miller poses with the two Dons—Herzog and Bowden. At right: today's speaker Michael St. John, Team Leader of Marin's Search & Rescue Team, poses with Vince Howes, former member of the team.





#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ♣ Thinking about attending the fabulous *Cinco de Mayo* party being planned for Past President **Kim Jessup**'s family home here in Mill Valley? Be sure to look for her signup sheet at the next few meetings.
- ♣ Documentary filmmaker Ken Campbell reported that he has been in touch with the producer of an outstanding one-hour film covering the recent Camp Fire, and that it looks like we will be co-sponsoring, along with the Mill Valley Fire Department, a special showing at the Sequoia Theater some time in May to raise funds for the victims of the fire. More details to come soon.
- ♣ Finally, **President Bob** has been asked to advertise the need for local school crossing guards. Here's a chance to do good with a part-time job. All the details are on page 6.

#### **CELEBRATIONS**

**♦** Club Anniversaries—Phil Richardson (3/18/08); Vince Howes (3/18/86); and Tom



## 2019 DISTRICT CONFERENCE A 4-Way Fest

♦ Going to this year's District Conference? Here's what you need to know: This year's event, known as the **Rotary 4-Way Fest**, will be held May 17-19, 2019 at the Peppermill Resort Spa Casino in Reno, NV. According to District 5150 Governor **Jayne Hulbert**, the conference is jointly organized with three other Districts (5130, 5160 and 5190). She expects it to bring together upwards of 1,000 Rotarians from 220 Clubs in Northern California and Northern Nevada. Jayne suggests you check out the conference website <a href="https://rotary4wayfest.com/">https://rotary4wayfest.com/</a> for information on all activities including the pre-Conference Golf

Tournament, Walk to End Polio, presenters, breakout sessions and many fun activities.



The current registration price for the Rotary 4-Way Fest including all meals is \$350. The conference website features a link to reserve a room at the Peppermill starting at \$159 plus tax (single or double occupancy). The hotel room price is available for three days before or after the conference subject to availability. Use group code **AR5150** to get the conference rate (and make sure that we get credit for your reservation). Jayne anticipates a sell out and suggests you make your reservations soon.

#### **CELEBRATIONS (Cont'd)**

McKlveen (3/18/14). Phil and Tom agreed that attending the regular luncheon meeting was their MV Rotary favorite. Couldn't hear what Vince singled out as his favorite, but with 33 years under his MV Rotary belt, you know that he has done much to enhance the efforts of Rotary in this part of the world. Many thanks and congratulations to all three of these outstanding Rotarians.

#### **GOOD TIMES**

**Dan Hatch** recently returned home from a trip to South Africa where he was a guest speaker at the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Inanda Seminary, a boarding school for Zulu girls. What makes this a special "Good Time" is the fact that the school was founded by Dan's Great Great Grandfather, the Rev. Daniel Lindley, one of the first American missionaries to the Zulu in South Africa. As Rev. Lindley's namesake, Dan was invited to be the speaker at the final worship service of the weekend for the 465 girls at the school and alumnae. As you can



► Looking to have some fun and support a good cause? Sign up to attend the Cinco de Mayo party scheduled to be held at PP Kim Jessup's family home in Mill Valley.

#### SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, JUNE 28
ANNUAL
INSTALLATION
DINNER

probably guess, this was a bell-riner!

\* Past President Kim Jessup didn't have to travel so far for her Good Time—just to Arizona where her late mother grew up. Kim and her family celebrated the lives of both of her parents**Dick** and **Lyn.** Upon returning to the Bay Area, Kim had the opportunity to see *Hamilton*, which she highly recommended. Especially now that prices are down to \$186/person!

- ♣ Guess whose grandson turned 15 today. Why, **Steve Miller's**, of course. Steve, are you going to be the one teaching him how to drive next year?
- ❖ President-Elect (Bill did an excellent job impersonating him at the District Assembly) Lee Kirkpatrick was MIA because of a surprise engagement party hosted by his son in Raleigh, NC.



#### **GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)**

We guess his future daughter-inlaw was impressed, since Lee made this a bell-ringer.

♣ The Rotary Foundation was the recipient of a double bellringer from **Bill Lambrecht**. No special Good Time—Bill just likes the Foundation and all of the good work it does around the world.

#### **PROGRAM**

❖ Say you are the Program Chair of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley and your speaker calls in sick the day before she is scheduled to speak. What do you do?

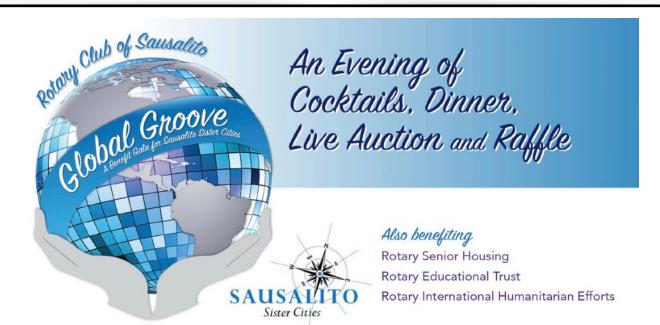
If you are an "old pro" like **Bob Canepa**, you talk someone like former Mill Valley fireman **Michael St. John,** who now leads the Marin Sheriff's Search & Rescue Team, and convince



► The Marin County Search & Rescue Team takes a break while on a mission up in Humboldt County. (Photo courtesy Michael St. John)

him to show up the next day to tell us all about this fantastic all volunteer organization. That Michael did, with the result being an interesting and inspiring program.

The SAR is composed of 100 volunteers, one-third of whom



Saturday, March 30th - 5:30 p.m.

Please join us at the Spinnaker Restaurant for a fun evening. Semi-Formal Attire or Disco Costume! Purchase your ticket today - <a href="https://www.sausalitorotarygala.org">www.sausalitorotarygala.org</a>

Rotary Club of Sausalito

#### PROGRAM (Cont'd)

are high school students. The "kids" are the ones with the sharpest eyes and ears, according to St. John, and often spot and/or hear things in the wilderness that help the SAR successfully complete its principle mission, to locate missing people.

Your editor recommends that you check out the Marin SAR website—marinsar.org—where you will learn much more about this important community asset.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

March 26 (12:15): Photographer Giuseppe Rezza's presentation is entitled *Beyond the Image*. He



► Congratulations to Mill Valley Rotarian Dr. Colin Wong, who earlier this month was presented the rare Arthur A. Dugoni Lifetime Achievement Award by his fellow alums at the University of the Pacific's Arthur A. **Dugoni Dental School** Alumni Assn. Colin, who has been a member of MV Rotary since 1968, was honored for his exceptional achievement, commitment and service, including many years of work with Alliance for Smiles.

will share his experiences as a photographer in El Salvador during the last part of the civil war and the beginning of the post war period. Since the images of the exhibit are focused on different "subjects" in the time frame, he will discuss different topics such as human rights, repression by the El Salvadoran government, United States involvement in Central American conflicts, military situation in the conflict, post war period, etc.

#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

April 2 (6-7 p.m., at The Image Flow, 401 Miller Ave.): Mill Valley Rotary Night Lite—a special get-together designed for

all members, but especially for those who find it difficult to attend the regular luncheon meetings. A \$10 fee gets you pizza and libations and an opportunity to discuss club projects with fellow members.

April 2 (12:15): Deborah Dal Fovo will tell us about *Trentino:* The Hidden Gem of Italy. Join Italian Chef Deborah Dal Fovo as she takes you on a virtual voyage to the magical Italian region of Trentino-Alto Adige – a summer and winter wonderland in the Italian Alps and home to her ancestral heritage. Deborah will show you breathtaking vistas of its crown jewel – the majestic Dolomite mountains – and

# BABY BOOMERS and EMPTY NESTERS!

# Crossing Guards Needed!

call Tom (415) 937-2615

Want a great part-time job? Be outdoors, meet members of the community and <u>help the kids!</u>

We are looking to expand our roster of local adults of ALL ages to help, for 1 Hour in the morning and 1 Hour in the afternoon, to help kids safely cross intersections to-and-from school.

All in **YOUR** neighborhood! (Mill Valley - Tiburon - Larkspur - Corte Madera)

Work just 2 hours a day, PLUS get 2 hours of "bonus pay" every day - 5 days week until Summer Vacation (Holidays and Weekends off too!)

Contact email: TomD@thecrossIngguardcompany.com

Contact number: (415) 937-2615

\*Interviewing NOW! Start right away!\*

#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

describe its history, culture, tradition and enogastronomic specialties. Hear how by traveling there and rediscovering her ancestral roots Deborah was inspired to reconnect the broken link in her family history and return to live in Italy.

April 9 (12:15): Sausalito resident and marathon swimmer **Melissa Blaustein** will tell her



story of disappointment and perseverance in her quest to complete one

of the world's most difficult endurance challenges. Her presentation is entitled *In Dover*  The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 2. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 3. Is it the TRUTH?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Until it Was Over: Swimming the English Channel (Twice). Melissa will share her personal experience of learning to swim less than three years ago to becoming a world-record holding marathon swimmer. Hear how she trained for the 21 mile 15 hour 51 minute swim, the bizarre carbohydrates

and hot chocolates she consumed on the journey, and the failure of her first attempt followed by the harrowing events of her success just two weeks later, which has led her to believe that anything is possible if you believe in your own ability to achieve it. Melissa translates her love for the ocean into her role as a sustainability commissioner for the City of Sausalito.



► Another sign provided by Bob's British buddy.

**POLIO PLUS** 

2018/2019 GOAL:

\$1,000

JAR TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$789.00

SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

2018-2019 GOAL: \$10,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$7,815.50

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2018-2019 GOAL: \$11,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$6,175.00

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2018-2019

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