



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ **Lee Kirkpatrick** shared some important medical advice. If you think your doctor has advised you to *get a hot mama and be cheerful*, check your hearing aid because he may have actually told you, *You have a heart murmur. Be careful.*

PRESIDER

■ President **Susan Royce** informed us that today is People's Power Day in the Philippines in case anyone wanted a reason to celebrate

VISITORS

■ **Don Bowden** (guest of **Don Herzog**); **Tom McKlveen** who



☛ **Sorry, Steve—free lunch!**

recently moved here from Iowa (**Bob Roberts**); **Jenny Liu** (**Phil Richardson**).

ROTARY GOOD TIMES

■ **Bill Lambrecht** enjoyed the Alliance for Smiles fundraiser last weekend in San Francisco and the Marin Sunrise Rotary event for Cuba, held in San Rafael.

GOOD TIMES

■ **Stephanie Powell** returned from two weeks abroad and recommends Morocco as the location for our next fundraiser. She filled the fine box with dirhams.

■ **Jim Simkalo** had to leave the country to find snow but had a good time at Whistler, except for the annoyingly happy Canadian hockey fans.

■ **Don Bowden** had a good time listening to free music at the Sweetwater.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ Need a few more activities in your date book? **Barbara Hofling** has some suggestions. March 3 – Dictionary volunteers at Park School at 2:30 with adorable local kids; March 22 – District 5150 training with adorable Rotarians; April 12 – Bowling for Kids Sake with terrible but still adorable bowlers, May 2-3 – District Conference in Monterey with adorable sand dabs; June 13 – *Raise the Roof* fundraiser for Scout Hall with adorable boy scouts; June 27 – President Sue's favorite day – Installation Dinner with adorable outgoing President.

■ Next week is HAT DAY. Anyone without one pays five bucks. The possibilities are endless.

■ **Stephanie Powell** reported that Tam High's Interact Club is



☛ **Mill Valley Rotarians trying their best to fill up the Polio Jar!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS/Cont.

selling handmade bracelets for their project in Venezuela this Sunday at either the Mill Valley

Market or the Depot. Show up between noon and 2:00 and bring your wallet. The students will be at our March 11 meeting with a check for Polio Plus. Stay tuned for a May date for a fundraising

dinner to finance their trip to Mexico to help with an orphanage there.

■ **President Sue** thanked everybody for their participation with food and libations at the

MILL VALLEY ROTARY HOSTS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



❖ Mill Valley Rotary played host to the MV Chamber at its February Mixer, Feb. 19. The event was a tremendous success—as these photos, taken by our favorite photographer Gary Ferber, attest.



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recent Chamber mixer. Rumor has it that it was the best mixer EVER.

MEMBER MOMENT

■ **Ken Brooks** says we are on our way to meeting the goal of over 60 members.

NEW MEMBER

■ The Board of Directors has approved the membership application of **Donald (Don) P. Bowden**, retired Marin County high school teacher. His classification will be Education-Teacher, Political Science (Retired). A resident of Mill Valley, Don was born in Exeter, CA. His sponsor is **Don Herzog** and he has expressed interest in various MV Rotary projects, including working at the Food Bank, the Fall Arts Festival and with the Dictionary Project. Members have seven days in which to comment in writing to the club secretary.

RAFFLE

■ The gods shone down on **Steve Miller**.

PROGRAM

■ **Jerry Finton**, former fighter pilot and flight instructor, literally flew "Into the Jaws of the Dragon," another name for the back yard of Ho Chi Minh. Still wearing his flight suit, Jerry shared the trajectory to become one of our military's elite pilots. Start with flight school; then move on to survival school. If you survive survival training, during which you get up close and personal with concentration camp life, you've still got radar school during which you are



☛ Whadya mean it's sleeping? The AV Crew goes on alert to rescue speaker **Jerry Finton** from a balky computer/projector.

given ample opportunities for dog fights and then you end with jungle school which includes generous helpings of bugs, rats

and snakes. Most of his flights in Vietnam were destroying supply trails, dropping 500 pound bombs on steel mills and avoiding SAMs. Ho Chi Minh would not have passed the Four-Way Test.

NEXT WEEK

■ **Karen Noe** will speak on *Stop Hunger Now: A Mission to End Hunger in our Lifetime*. Karen is a fellow Rotarian and the Community Development Director for *Stop Hunger Now*. This non-profit organization's mission is to end hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-saving aid to the world's most vulnerable and by creating a global commitment to mobilize the necessary resources.

■ **DON'T FORGET TO WEAR A HAT!**



**SAVE THE DATE
JUNE 13, 2014**

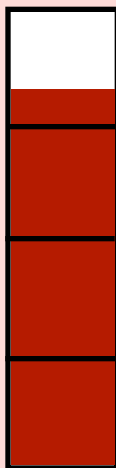
CLUB CALENDAR

■ **March 7:** *Redwoods Senior Prom*. Men only see **Bob Canepa** who has the signup sheet.

■ **March 11:** Our speaker will be **Donna Lemmon**, Executive Director, Integrated Community Services, an organization that serves individuals whose diagnosed disabilities interfere with their ability to live and work

POLIO PLUS CLUB GOAL

\$2,000



JAR COLLECTIONS
AS OF TODAY:
\$1,677.00

independently in the community. ICS provides job preparation; job development, job coaching, and long term follow up services once the support is no longer needed.

■ **March 18:** **Kim Mazzuca**, President of 10,000 Degrees, San Rafael based nonprofit that selects Mill Valley Rotary Tamalpais High School scholarship recipients, will be our speaker. Her presentation is entitled *Creating College Graduates Who Will Change the World*. She will be accompanied by student scholarship recipients who will share success stories with us.

■ **March 22:** **District Assembly**, Redwood High School. Sign up on the District Website.

■ **March 25:** Marin attorney **Renee Marcelle** will speak on *Human Trafficking in Southeast Asia*.

■ **April 1:** The *Ninth Annual Liar's Club*, featuring four of the world's greatest performers/liars: **Elizabeth Suzuki, Barbara Hofling, Dick Spotswood and Leo Yang**.

■ **April 12:** *Bowling for Kids Sake*. (Big Brothers Big Sisters), San Rafael.

**A hangover
is the wrath of
grapes.**

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY

YTD:
\$13,680
(114%)

GOAL
\$12,000

ROTARY
FOUNDATION
GIVING

2013-2014

❖ Attention
Chart
Challenged
Rotarians: the
thermometer
bulb up to the
first line
represents
\$10,000.

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