



# THE MILL WHEEL



Rotary Club of Mill Valley  
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## GREETER

❖ **Dan Hatch**, apparently inspired by the recent soccer victory in France, quoted **Eleanor Roosevelt** for his Thought for the Day: *Women are like tea bags—you have to put them in hot water to learn how strong they are.*”

## PRESIDER

❖ Assuring us “that our worst fears are being realized,” President **Lee Kirkpatrick** handled his first meeting of the new Rotary year with aplomb and good humor. Way to go. Lee!

## VISITORS

❖ Visiting Rotarians: **Oak Dowling**, Rotary Club of San Rafael; and **Kent Reinker**, Rotary Club of Honolulu. Club members will remember Oak as a speaker at several different occasions in the past, and Kent is on the verge of being a “regular” with his lengthy stay in Mill Valley. It’s a safe bet that we’ll see them both again in the future.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **Burnett** made his “last call” for sign ups to participate in this year’s Rotaplast Bocce Ball Tournament. Scheduled to be held in San Rafael on Sunday, July 21, it looks like Mill Valley Rotary

will field two teams. May the best one win!

❖ PP **Bob Roberts** reported that he had received a letter from former club member **Allely Albert**, who is doing very well in her Restorative Justice studies overseas. (See Page 2).

❖ Mountain Play booth revenue? **Lisán Campbell**, Madam Mt. Play to MV Rotarians, reported a total this year of \$21,070.66 with

an additional \$225.23 for the Polio Jar. No explanation for the odd cents in either case!

## CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Club Anniversaries:* Recognized for their service and time in grade were the following MV Rotarians—**Morgan Pierce**; **Lisán Campbell** (6/30/17); **Bill**



► Some might say that Past President **Kent Campbell** got strong-armed by today’s greeter, **Rev. Dan Hatch**. Perhaps it was the other way around. Or, you could call it a draw!

**Lambrecht** (6/20/08); **Larry Davis** (7/7/92); and **Jan Pedersen Schiff**. **Editor's Note:** *You'll notice that we show no join dates for Morgan or Jan. The reason for this is that our source (the Club Roster) shows that Morgan joined in September and Jan in March, and we are nowhere near their anniversary date. Would the secretary please correct us if we are in error.*

❖ **Birthdays:** **Peter Straube** (6/3); **Keith Papulias** (5/28); and **Kent Campbell** (7/5). We had already celebrated Keith's at an earlier meeting but, what the heck, nobody hurt doing it again. Your reporter has no memory of

who either led or sang the Birthday Song.

### GOOD TIMES

❖ **Lisán** had a great Good Time helping her hubby **Kent** celebrate his birthday during a wine country excursion that included a visit to Shadybrook Estate Winery.

### RAFFLE

❖ We understand that **Margareth Tanner** purchased one ticket while the lady sitting next to your reporter went whole hog, purchasing a dozen. You guessed

it: **Margareth** had the winning ticket! She could not grab the magic marble, however, and settled for a nice bottle of wine. The lady at my left smiled through it all.

### PROGRAM

❖ **Kelli English**, National Park Service Ranger and Chief of Interpretation at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial, took us back to the days of World War II with her presentation: *Into Forgetfulness: The Port Chicago Disaster & Mutiny.*

## FORMER MEMBER ALLELY ALBERT WRITES FROM BELFAST

*(Excerpts from a letter to Past President Bob Roberts from Allely Albert, who many members will remember from the time she was active in the club while at the Mill Valley Police Department. Allely, who has received scholarship assistance from the club, is currently working on her PhD while studying Restorative Justice at Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland.)*

◆ Things have been quite busy over here this past month, but everything is going well. I had a major assessment for my PhD at the end of June, which determined whether I would be allowed to continue my research and studies. I'm happy to report that I passed, so that was good news! I also was granted ethical approval for my proposed project and will be able to start data collection and interviews with former prisoners and combatants who are now involved in restorative justice organizations. It should be pretty interesting stuff! I've continued my work at a local restorative organization, and have been learning a lot from the practitioners there.

◆ They've put me through a few courses that certify me as a qualified restorative justice facilitator and mediator. I am now able to intake cases and conduct mediations and serve as a fully-fledged practitioner. It's been a great experience so far, and it's very rewarding work. Cases can range from incidents like disputes between neighbors, to paramilitary threats against individuals. It certainly makes for rigorous training. In addition to all that, I'm also currently working on writing two articles with my supervisor, so hopefully will have those published by the end of the year. I feel very busy, but I am really enjoying it all and feel so lucky for all of these opportunities.

◆ I'll be coming home for some time this September/October to do a bit of research on restorative justice organizations in Marin, so I'll be in touch closer to my arrival to see if you're around to meet up at some point. It would be great to hear about everything happening back there.

Hope all is well. Please say hello to everyone for me.

*Allely*



**PROGRAM (Cont'd)**

On the evening of July 17, 1944, residents in the San Francisco East Bay area were jolted awake by a massive explosion that cracked windows and lit up the night sky.

At Port Chicago Naval Magazine, 320 men were instantly killed and approximately 400 were injured when two ships being loaded with ammunition for the Pacific theater troops blew up.

The blast registered 3.4 on the Richter scale, was felt more than 450 miles away. It was WWII's worst home front disaster. Port Chicago Naval Magazine was the largest ammunition transshipment facility on the West Coast and was essential to the success of the war effort in the Pacific Theater.

Following the explosion, as before, surviving sailors received unequal treatment based on their race. When 50 African American survivors of the blast refused to return to work under the same unsafe conditions, they were court-martialed and sentenced to up to 15 years of hard labor. They were convicted of mutiny in the largest naval trial of its kind in U.S. history.

These convictions still stand today despite efforts to overturn them. The Port Chicago explosion, the mutiny trial, and the response of African-American communities to these events exposed the shameful injustices of racism in the military.

The memorial serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggles for equality and social justice

today. July 17th marks the 75th anniversary of the disaster, and special ceremonies are being planned for that date. Check out the memorial's website ([www.nps.gov/poch](http://www.nps.gov/poch)) for details and to make a reservation.

Kelli invited MV Rotarians to visit the memorial, one of three she feels needs to be understood by all Americans.

**NEXT WEEK**

**July 16 (12:15): Robert Chatham's** talk is entitled *Kentucky Derby & Kentucky Bourbon*. He will discuss his experiences being raised in Louisville, Kentucky, the home of the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Bourbon. The Derby falls on or near his birthday each

**SOME MORE PHOTOS FROM LAST MONTH'S INSTALLATION DINNER**

(With thanks to Ace Photographers Margareth Tanner & Nancy McKIveen)



**NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)**



year, so it's an amazing event and experience that he likes to share with others. With regard to Bourbon, his first Bourbon was



given to him by **Colonel Sanders** when he was 15 years old. The

Colonel was a great man and mentor who taught Robert a lot about life and doing his best. He

will also talk about how Bourbon and Rotary have a lot in common. **Important:** *There will be an optional Mint Julip & Bourbon Tasting after the presentation.*

**CLUB CALENDAR**

**JULY 20 (8:3- 4:00, SSF Scavenger, 500 East Jamie Ct., South San Francisco): Potential Rotary Leadership Program (PRLS).** For details and to register: **Michael Ford**, PRLS director (510) 410-2680 and [michael@tfos.net](mailto:michael@tfos.net)

**July 21 (Sunday 9-5, San Rafael Bocce Courts): Bocce Ball Tournament and BBQ** to benefit the 27th Anniversary of **Rotaplast**. Cost is \$40/each or \$15 for under 18s. Pay at event. Call or email **Burnett** ([casparkid@aol.com](mailto:casparkid@aol.com)) with questions

**July 23 (12:15): Attorney Jen Lee's** presentation is entitled: *Stolen! What to Do When Identity Theft Happens to You.* Do you know what to do when your credit card is compromised, or your identity is stolen? In this talk, Jen goes over several ways to protect private information, including credit, financial, and medical details, to reduce the risk of identity theft and fraud. However, even with the best precautions, it can still happen to almost anyone. We'll review how to figure out if you've been a victim and the steps to take to try and fix the unfortunate situation.

- Protecting yourself, your family, and your private information.
- Red flags and identifying the problem.
- Immediate steps to take when fraud is discovered.
- Long-term actions and ongoing monitoring details.



► **Left:** Nervous? Not Lee, shown here adjusting the audio visual equipment prior to today's meeting, his first as the head "cheese." **Right:** National Park Service Ranger Kelli English, right, visits with club program chair Bob Canepa, Donna D' Acuti and Lew Katcher after her presentation about the 1944 explosion and disaster at the Port Chicago Naval Arsenal.

**CLUB CALENDAR**

After the 2017 Equifax data breach, it is more likely than not that your identity has already been compromised. Do you know what to do when it happens?

**July 30 (12:15): Hunter Moore**, CEO at The Redwoods Retirement Center, will discuss *Retirement Housing Options—Overview & Honest Answers*.



What to do, where and how to live, when you retire? These are questions we all deal with, for our loved ones and ourselves.

**The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do**

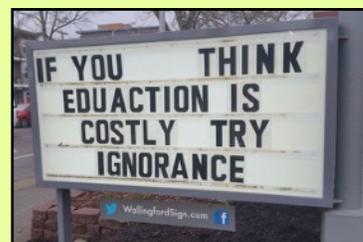
1. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
2. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
3. Is it the **TRUTH**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

There have been a lot of changes in the field and Hunter Moore was recently hired by The Redwoods to help determine which adaptations would best serve the residents and the broader community. He realizes that the vast majority of seniors

will not move to a retirement community and plans to provide an overview of benefits and drawbacks of all options. He has experience in many parts of the country, as well as in Canada, England and Germany.

**August 6 (12:15):** Our speaker will be **Linda Hepworth**. Her presentation is entitled *The Jokester Waitress Tells All*, detailing her life as a server.

**AIN'T IT THE TRUTH!**



**POLIO PLUS**

**2019/2020 GOAL:**

**\$1,000**

**JAR TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**

**\$22.00**

**SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)**

**2019-2020 GOAL:**

**\$10,000**

**TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**

**\$0.00**

**ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING**

**2019-2020 GOAL:**

**\$11,000**

**TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**

**\$0.00**

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