



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ **Peter Mason**, who suggested that it may be dangerous to inform your spouse that he/she is lousy in bed. *He/she just may go out and get a second opinion!*

BIRTHDAYS

■ Proving that things don't always go as planned (or perhaps unplanned?)—**Jean Batman** (5/20) was not in attendance, but **Keith Papulias** (5/28), whose birthday is not until the end of next week, was. So, **PP Ed Marshall** led a rousing version of the Birthday Song in Keith's honor. Hopefully, we'll be able to do the same for Jean next week.

ANNIVERSARIES

■ *Club:* **PP Pieter Bogaards** will mark 12 years on May 18. **Greg Dyer** was his sponsor, and one of his favorite MV Rotary moments was when he was invited to see the “kelp forest” created in a classroom by Mill Valley elementary school students as a result of funds the club donated. Also honored today for his service to the club and his community was **Lee Kirkpatrick** who joined in 2009.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ *Mountain Play:* Time to stop cutting bait! The first play opens

DEADLINE FOR ROSTER CHANGES JUNE 1, 2016

Saturday, and if you don't have a team assignment, you better check with **PP Kim** and/or **Lisan Campbell** fast.

■ While we're talking about the Mt. Play booth, how about a loud shoutout for **Vince** and **Ulla Howes**, who picked up and brought bottled water, etc. to the Mountain Theatre for storage last Wednesday. There to assist with the unloading were **PP Jane Hall**, **Kent** and **Lisan Campbell**, and **Dan Hatch**.

■ Marsh Maven **Margareth Tanner** thanked last Saturday's clean up crew—**Ken Brooks**, **Kim Jessup** and **Burnett Tregoning**—who helped her spruce up Rotary corner.
■ Also in a thankful mode, **Lee Kirkpatrick** saluted the MV Rotarians who helped out at last Saturday afternoon's Postal Carriers Food Drive—**PP Kim** (again), her son **Luke**, **PP Jane Hall**, **Peter Mason**, **Phil Richardson** and **PP Burnett** (again). Lee reported that we helped wrassle 9,660 pounds of food into the Marin Food Bank truck that afternoon. A total of 73,000 pounds of food was collected countywide.
■ **President Ken** announced that the pending dues increase for next



► The MV Rotary crew fills bins with bags of donated food at the post office during last Saturday's Letter Carrier's Food Drive.

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year will be on the agenda for a vote at the June 21 Club Assembly.

■ Don't forget the big social event of the year—the **Annual Installation Dinner**—which is scheduled for Friday, June 17, at the Outdoor Art Club. More details to follow, but we do know the tab is \$100 per person. Please make checks payable to the Rotary Club of Mill Valley and get them to **Roberta Keller**. This is a mandatory event.

GOOD TIMES

■ **PP Dick Spotswood** ponyed up a bell-ringer for an exciting Miami-Barcelona cruise recently enjoyed by him and **Joanne**.

■ **PP Pieter and Debra Bogaards** are celebrating: they recently biked from Carmel to Cambria (see below, thanks to *Facebook*).



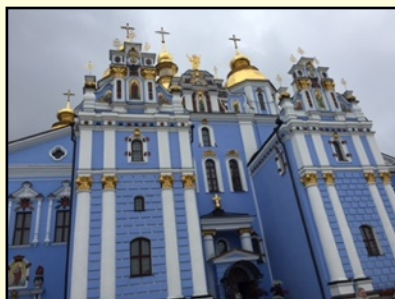
Also, Pieter announced, they're about to get a new attorney in the family with their daughter's recent graduation from law school.

■ **PP Kim Jessup** was so pleased to have our visitors from the Brain Injury Network of the Bay Area, that she contributed a bell-ringer to their cause.

BOB CANEPA REPORTS FROM KIEV, UKRAINE



► Our wandering MV Rotarian has reported in from Kiev with these photos: Top left: Bob messes with a statuesque couple; Top right: "Kiev Cake," a local favorite; Below left: St. Michael's church, which is "beautiful inside;" Below right and Bottom: Artifacts found in the Chernobyl Museum.



PROGRAM

■ **Patricia Gill**, the Educational Director, and **Kim Stroup**, President of the Board, Brain Injury Network of the Bay Area, which is based in Larkspur, led a “Concussion Discussion.”

Since we are cramped for space (and your reporter doesn't have the energy to fill another complete page), we suggest you go to the organization's webpage to learn how to recognize when a person, especially a child, has experienced this trauma:

www.ConcussionMarin.org

NEXT WEEK

May 24: **Ann Mahony** will present *The Amazing Handkerchief: Chronicler of History, Heroism, Romance, Fashion, and Art through the Ages*. The handkerchief is with us

MILL VALLEY ROTARY JOINS FORCES WITH PEACE CORPS IN PERU

Recently the club responded to a letter from Peace Corps Volunteer Leif Hansen of Seattle who currently serves in Peru in the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene sector (WASH), by contributing \$919.00 to a water chlorination and sanitary education project.

Leif works in Cascas, a town located in the Chicama Valley, two hours from the city of Trujillo in northern Peru. Roughly 90% of the local economy is based on vini and viticulture; most of the income is generated through the sale of table grapes to Ecuador. The rural population is mostly dependent on the sale of these grapes, as well as other crops such as maize and rice.

Unfortunately, Leif explained, many of the rural communities in the district still live in poverty or extreme poverty. Lack of access to clean water and sanitation is a major contributing factor which locks them into the cycle of poverty.

To that end, Leif has been working with two institutions during his service – the Provincial Municipality of Gran Chimú and an American NGO called *Water for People*.



► Posing in front of the chlorination system – which sits on top of the reservoir - are, from left: Head of Environmental Health Department in the Cascas Hospital, community member, PCV Jef Navarette, PCV Leif Hansen, nurse from San Marcos health post, Leif's counterpart in the Municipality.

Leif asked Mill Valley Rotary for financial assistance with a project that aims to install five automatic drip chlorination systems – which will provide clean water to hundreds of families for the first time - and work hand-in-hand with 40 families in order to improve hygiene habits, safe water storage, and latrine maintenance.

Furthermore, he explained, his counterpart in the Municipality will be training water operators and community members on correct operation and maintenance of the chlorination systems and will designate one of the sanitary educators to do monitoring and evaluation of the systems.

❖ **This is the fifth Mill Valley Rotary Club - Peace Corps Peru Partnership project in the past two Rotary years. MV Rotary has contributed a total of \$14,976 to these five projects.**

NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)

in large and small moments of life – wrapping a child’s cut finger, catching a bride’s tears of joy, worn over a soldier’s heart into battle. Their history dates back to 1000 BC, and they were originally reserved for kings and nobility.

In the month of May, when we honor our servicemen on Memorial Day, we’ll view silk handkerchiefs from WWI, handkerchiefs printed with escape maps and tide tables from WWII, and more. Come discover what stories and memories are hidden in the folds of a treasured handkerchief. Ann Mahony is a historian of vintage artifacts and has a handkerchief collection of over 5,000, including several over a century old.

CLUB CALENDAR

May 22: Mt. Play Booth opens for business. Sign up for duty with **PP Kim** or First Lady to be **Lisan Campbell**.

May 30: Memorial Day. Parade assembles at Old Mill School at 10:30 a.m. Be in it or watch it from your favorite vantage point downtown or along Miller Ave. Check with **President Ken** if you’d like to help with the club “float.”

May 31: Dr. Richard Head will discuss *The Complex Chemistry of Our Cells in Health and Disease and How to Improve It*. Richard is a retired Radiologist who spent many years imaging the body and brain. For the past seven years he has learned many of the amazing breakthroughs that allow us to

finally understand our health and disease. He began to see the newest discoveries about how our cellular chemistry works and the importance of the genes in our cells. He has been able to see, over the past few years, the research science findings go quickly from the lab into the clinics. We are now seeing breakthroughs that will enable us to control many disease processes. His talk will outline the important components of our cells’ function and how evidence with diet and exercise promotes the cell’s normal functions and what you can do everyday to use this information.

COUNTERFEITER
Worker who puts together kitchen cabinets

**2015-2016
POLIO PLUS
CLUB GOAL**
\$2,000

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$1,838.00

**2015-2016
SERVICE FUND
(GEORGE HOYLE)
GOAL**
\$10,000

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$6,440.00

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
GIVING**
2015-16 GOAL:
\$14,000

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$13,405.00

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