



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ **Lew Katcher** shared a quote from **Deepak Chopra** for his special Thought for the Day: September 11 was a reminder that life is fleeting, impermanent and uncertain. Therefore, we must make use of every moment and nurture it with affection, tenderness, beauty, creativity and laughter.

PRESIDER

❖ Non other than President **Bob Roberts**.

VISITORS

❖ We had an interesting mix of visitors today, including former

member **Earl Johnson** and his guest, **Bill Wagner** (see photo on next page). Accompanying our speakers from City Hall was **Linn Walsh**, Assistant to the City Manager. **Peter Gordon**, founder of Crystal Geyser, was the guest of PP **Bob Canepa** and **Natalia Weinberger**, representing a Sausalito nonprofit, Art Beyond Borders, was the guest of PP **Kent Campbell**.

CELEBRATIONS

❖ Birthdays: **Emily Uhlhorn** (9/11). Emily couldn't make it for her Birthday Song. Hope to get her next week.

❖ Club Anniversaries: **Roberta Keller** (9/14/10) and **Barbara Hofling** (9/14/10). As you can

see, Roberta and Barbara came to the club on the same day, and—boy!—were we lucky. Both have contributed many hours to the work of Rotary in Mill Valley, and we thank them for their service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Save the date—October 24—to attend “new” Scout Hall's Grand Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony. Mill Valley Scout leader **Roberta Keller** announced that club members soon will be receiving Evites to the big event which will be held from 4-7 p.m. We're looking forward to checking out the newly renovated Scout Hall.

❖ **President Bob** reported that the Board of Directors has been

YOU CAN GET THE JOB DONE STANDING AND/OR SITTING



► Rotarians **Margareth Tanner** (left) and **Tom McKlveen** are shown working hard down at Rotary Corner last Saturday, September 8. The next workday is scheduled for Oct. 6. Try it, you'll like it!



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requested to consider other options than the dictionaries for Mill Valley Third Graders this fiscal year. A decision must be made by September 18 and the board is working closely with the Mill Valley School District to come up with a solution.

❖ Visitor **Natalia Weinberger** of *Art Beyond Borders* is looking for volunteers to assist with workshops they are holding Friday, Sept. 28, in San Francisco, and in San Rafael, Saturday, Sept. 29. She says 50 volunteers are needed. All volunteers will be given a healthy snack, water and a “rocking cool T-shirt.” Call her at (415) 324-5898 if you need more information. Volunteers can sign up at: info@fosart.org. Natalia has provided this link to last year's workshop in Los Angeles on Skid Row to give you an idea of what to expect: <http://fosart.org/#single/0>

PROGRAM

❖ “Mill Valley is booming,” enthused Mayor **Stephanie Moulton-Peters** as she kicked off today's program. She and City Manager **Jim McCann** teamed up to present the annual *State of the City* report.

The dynamic City duo painted a positive yet challenging picture of our favorite town, discussing subjects ranging from street improvements (love our new Miller Ave.!) to fire prevention and preparedness.

Naturally, traffic was part of the discussion, with emphasis on our ability or lack thereof to get out of and into town via East Blithedale and the Tiburon overpass. Looks like there might be good news there: the City is working with CalTrans, and plans are in the works to change the

PLENTY OF ACTION AT TODAY'S MEETING



► Above: Greeter Lew Katcher poses with Roberta Keller and Don Bowden, both of whom were welcomed back to “active duty” after recent medical bouts. Left: Today's speakers—City Mgr. Jim McCann and Mayor Stephanie Moulton-Peters answer questions following their talk.



► Among the visitors today was our former member Earl Johnson, right, now a member in Tiburon, accompanied by his guest Bill Wagner, both shown here with Past President Jane Hall.



PROGRAM (Cont'd)

single lane off and on ramps to double lanes, freeing up the flow at the freeway intersection.

With smoke still in the air from this summer's catastrophic firestorms, it was natural that the subject of fire prevention and preparedness took up a major portion of our speakers' time.

Removal of extremely flammable trees and shrubs, either by Mill Valley homeowners or the City if need be, looks to be a priority from now on.

Stephanie and Jim pointed out that Measure A funds were critical to the renewal of Miller Ave., and that the measure is up for renewal this coming election. Mill Valley streets are improving, with East Blithedale currently in the design

stage of renovation up to Sunnyside, Jim McCann noted. Work on Throckmorton is expected to begin later this year.

City finances were detailed by the speakers, with pie-charts showing both revenues and expenditures. Property tax is still the big provider, accounting for 39 percent of 2018-2019 revenues and expected to provide 42 percent in 2019-2020.

NEXT WEEK

September 18 (12:15): The women's chorus *Wings of Song*, flagship chorus of the northern California choral family *Singers Marin*, will perform *Everyone Can Sing*. **Jan Pedersen Schiff** will present a brief performance by their members. As part of the

presentation, she will demonstrate how she is able to get a professional sound from these women who have little to no background in singing – but just love to sing! *Wings of Song* has been making beautiful music for audiences north of San Francisco for over 25 years.

CLUB CALENDAR

September 25 (12:15): District Governor **Jayne Hulbert** visits.

October 2 (12:15): **Trubee Schock's** presentation is titled: *The Milley Awards - The Art of Recognition*. For 30 years, since 1988, the Milley Awards have honored Mill Valley's iconic creative institutions and people. The Milleys reflect the history of

ONLY ONE MORE LAST CHANCE! 😊

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- ☐ Black w/Gold Letters
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3. Your Name _____

(Print, complete and give to Ed Marshall at next week's meeting)

CLUB CALENDAR

Mill Valley by celebrating the creativity of our painters and designers, writers, musicians and performers.

October 9 (12:15): Film producer **Susan Wolf** will give us the scoop on *Mata Hari: Courtesan, Exotic Dancer and Spy*. Susan will discuss her documentary “Mata Hari –The Naked Spy” and uncover the story of WWI’s most notorious spy. (**Editor’s Note:** She also will show a small clip of the documentary). It’s a true tale of love, lies and betrayal. Mata Hari was shot by a French military firing squad in 1917. Documents discovered one hundred years

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?

later reveal startling truths about her life and cast doubt on her guilt. Susan's film dispels much of the spy/seductress mythology that has arisen since her death. From a contemporary vantage point, Mata Hari was a self-made woman whose boldness and sexuality threatened the male



establishment. Her story is a testament to the power each of us has to shape our own lives if we have the courage to do so.

POLIO PLUS

2018/2019 GOAL:

\$1,000

JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:

\$143.00

SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

2018-2019 GOAL:

\$10,000

TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:

\$1,075.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2018-2019 GOAL:

\$11,000

TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:

\$1,175.00

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