The Mill Wheel

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GREETER/SETUP

✣ Special Greeter today: Past President **Susan Royce**, now a member at Novato Sunrise, showed up to renew old acquaintances.

✣ The setup crew was greeted with a small glitch. There was NO POWER at the clubhouse. With some good old Rotary ingenuity, the show went on. A good time was had by all.

✣ Special kudos to **Elizabeth Suzuki** and **Kim Jessup** for all of the luncheon arrangements, food and wine set up, dessert service, etc. A big job greatly appreciated by the club!

PRESIDER

✣President **John Christman.**

VISITORS/HOSTS

✣ **Liola Nau (Bruce Wrisley)**
✣**Teala Baird Warga (Peter O'Keefe)**
✣ **Betty Roberts (Bob Roberts)**
✣ **Kathy Keller (Robin Keller)**

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

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

✣ **Anne Zarraonandia (Kim Jessup)**
✣ **Steve Suzuki (Elizabeth Suzuki)**
✣ **Susan Royce**
✣ **Margo Kirkpatrick (Lee Kirkpatrick)**
✣ **Russ Burbank**
✣ **Jim** and **Karen Simkalo**
✣Assistant District Governor **Anne Sands**
✣ **Jennifer McCready (Bob Canepa)**
✣ **Kimberly Berman**, Superintendent Mill Valley Schools, **(Emily Uhlhorn)**
✣ **Lisa Christman (John Christman)**
✣ **Peggy Davis (Larry Davis)**
✣ **Tim Welsh (Steve Miller)**

✣ The Annual Holiday Luncheon always attracts many guests, including former MV Rotarians who have moved on to new venues. This year was no exception as we were visited by two former presidents: **Susan Royce** (2013-14) and **Jim Simkalo** (2011-12). Jim currently serves as president of the Rotary Club of Sausalito. Also, it was great to see our newest Club member **Annette Venables.**

JOKE OF THE DAY

✣ PP **Kent Campbell** offered the following:

Vladimir Putin dies and goes to hell. But he gets a day off and goes back to Moscow. He visits a bar and asks how the war has been going. Do they have Kyiv. Yes! Ukraine? Yes! Crimea? Yes! "Thanks for that great news. What do I owe you for the beer? Answer: "5 Euros."

Editor's Note: Some may recall that at our meeting on

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

JOKES (Cont'd)

November 15 it was noted that the club jokester apparently had gone into hibernation. PP **Lisán** rose to the occasion, offering the following:

A woman goes to her husband holding a carton of milk. She says, "Honey, can you taste this for me?" The husband dutifully and trustingly takes the carton from her and proceeds to take a big gulp. Suddenly, he spits out the remainder of what's in his mouth. Choking and gagging a bit, he cries out, "That milk has gone bad!" She responds, "That's what I thought."

GOOD TIMES

✣ A plethora of bell-ringers:

✣ **Keith Papulias:** Happy to be back at Rotary. A bell-ringer!

✣ **Robin Keller**: Celebrated **Kathy**'s birthday in Carmel.

✣ **PP Dick Spotswood**: Flew to Barcelona. Traveled back by ship. A lovely trip. Another bell-ringer!

✣ **PP Bruce Wrisley**: Celebrated his 95th birthday and his 54th year as a member of The Rotary Club of Mill Valley.

✣ **PP Ed Marshall:** Congratulations to **Roberta Keller** on her birthday.

✣ **PP & PE Kim Jessup:** Invited to an event in Southern California that required cocktail attire. She checked out her aunt's closet and found an entire new wardrobe. Another bell-ringer!

✣ **Ray Palmarini:** An excellent olive harvest yielded 3.4 gallons of olive oil.

✣**Honorary Member Russ Burbank:** Inspired by **Bob Canepa**, Russ flew to Barcelona with no fixed itinerary. Spent two months exploring the Mediterranean countries. Five (quintuple!) bell-ringers! Wow!

✣ **PP Jim Simkalo:** Seeing old friends.

✣ **PP Susan Royce**: Out of a wheelchair just before Thanksgiving. Three months in the wheelchair with a broken leg.

✣ **PP Lee** and **Margo Kirkpatrick:** After a six month delay, their son and daughter-in-law's remodel project finished and they moved back to their own home. Another bell-ringer!

MILL VALLEY ROTARIANS COZY UP ON CHILLY NIGHT

▶Chilly but fun! An apt description of last Tuesday's "Rotary Night Out" session at the Junction restaurant in Tam Valley. Warming themselves by the fire at left are President John Christman and his wife Lisa. At right, PP Kent Campbell and Steve Miller cozy up to the fire pit. (Photos by PP Ed Marshall)

POLIO PLUS SOCIETY

✣ **Cristina Aquino**, Past President of The Rotary Club of South San Francisco and present District 5150 Coordinator for the PolioPlus Society presented gifts and awards to six Mill Valley

▶ Posing with President Christman, left, and District 5150's Cristina Aquino are three of the MV PolioPlus Society members honored today plus a stand-in for Lisán. From left are Dick Spotswood; Greg Dyer, Phil Richardson and Kent Campbell

POLIOPLUS (Cont'd)

Rotary members of The PolioPlus Society.
MV Rotarians honored included **Lisán Campbell**; **Greg Dyer; Phil Richardson; Dick Spotswood**;**Elizabeth Suzuki**; and **Burnett Tregoning**.
These six members have committed to contribute $100.00 each year to PolioPlus until polio is eradicated.

RAFFLE

✣ No white marble, but PP **Kent Campbell** won a box of chocolates and **Lisa Christman** won a bottle of wine as consolation prizes.

CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG

✣ PP **Lee Kirkpatrick** and President **John Christman** performed a rousing rendition of The Drifters' White Christmas, and led the Club in a sing-a-long of White Christmas.

PROGRAM

✣ Program Chair **Bob Canepa** introduced director **Steve Gardner** and the Mill Valley Middle School Orchestra, who gave an excellent concert of orchestral selections. They received a standing ovation.

HOLIDAY SNAPS—MILL WHEEL PHOTOGRAPHERS CATCH THE ACTION

▶ **Left: The Food Bank barrel tops out. Right: The Mill Valley Middle School Orchestra performs.**

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Robert E. Canepa 12/6/83
Robin Keller 12/11/12
Lewis Katcher 12/13/16
Charles H. Waldron 12/28/71

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kenneth Brooks 12/5
Carl Lippenberger 12/20
Roberta Keller 12/27
Einar Asbo 12/29

HOLIDAY SNAPS (Cont'd)

▶ Clockwise from upper left: Ray Palmarini, Ed Marshall and Keith Papulias (with a great Xmas tie!): Two former presidents—Susan Royce and Jim Simkalo— pose with honorary member Russ Burbank and Bob Canepa; Elizabeth and John load up the coats for the needy; and, wearing her traditional reindeer horns, Kim Jessup sits with her partner Anne and Steve Suzuki.

2022-2023
PolioPlus Society
MV Membership Roster

Lisán Campbell
Greg Dyer
Phil Richardson
Dick Spotswood
Elizabeth Suzuki
Burnett Tregoning

2022-2023 TRF HONOR ROLL

✦ Foundation Chair Phil Richardson salutes the following members who are the first to donate during the current 2022-2023 EREY Rotary Foundation Drive. Won't you join them?

BOB CANEPA
JOHN CARMICHAEL
JOHN CHRISTMAN
LARRY DAVIS
GREG DYER
JANE HALL
DON HERZOG
VINCE HOWES
KIM JESSUP
ROBERTA KELLER
BILL LAMBRECHT
BILL LAMPL
CARL LIPPENBERGER
PETER MASON
TOM MCKLVEEN
STEVE MILLER
STEPHANIE RICARDO
PHIL RICHARDSON
BOB ROBERTS
DOUG SCHERF
LEE SMITH
DICK SPOTSWOOD
ELIZABETH SUZUKI
BURNETT TREGONING

NEXT MEETING: Dick Spotswood Kicks Off 2023

January 3: Past President and Marin IJ Pundit **Dick Spotswood** will present his take on the mid-term election results. A member of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley since 1993, Dick is best known today for his work as the politics and government columnist for The Marin Independent Journal. Dick is a former council member (1980-1992) and three-term Mayor of the City of Mill Valley. He served for ten years (1982-1992) as a Director of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District representing Marin's eleven cities and towns and is the former president of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley (2000-2001) and the Mountain Play Association. Dick is a San Francisco native, a graduate of St. Ignatius College Preparatory, the University of San Francisco and its School of Law.

You know you're a redneck when……. The Salvation Army declines your furniture.

POLIO JAR
2022–2023
GOAL:
$1,000

TOTAL

$419.00

SERVICE FUND
(GEO. HOYLE)
2022-2023
GOAL:
$10,000

TOTAL

$100.00

ROTARY
FOUNDATION
2022-2023
GOAL:
$7,000

TOTAL

$3,850.00

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2022-2023

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President Elect: Kimberly Jessup
Past President: Lisán Campbell
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