



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ **Margareth Tanner** had the honor today. Her Thoughts for the Day came from that famous American couple, **Eleanor** and **Franklin D. Roosevelt**: *The world of the future is in our making. Tomorrow is Now.* (Eleanor), and *When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on.* (Franklin).

PRESIDER

❖ President **Ed Marshall** behind the podium.

VISITORS

❖ We were honored today by the visit by three District 5150 "bigwigs"—District Governor **Steve Wright**, member of the Rotary Club of Pacifica; Assistant Governor **Erik Brown**, member at the Rotary Club Novato Sunrise; and Annual Fund Coordinator **Anne Sands**, who belongs to the Rotary Club of West Marin.

CELEBRATIONS

❖ **Birthdays**—**Bernard Link** (8/21): "No plans yet, but thanks for the reminder." **Jim Iavarone** (8/30): "Traveling to New York soon, so maybe a celebration there." **Frank Leidman** (8/9):

The Four-Way Test

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



"Will observe a long standing tradition of celebrating with two other couples by renting a house in Glen Ellen for a week."

District Governor **Steve Wright** led the club in the singing of the Happy Birthday Song.

❖ **Club Anniversaries**—PP **Kim Jessup** celebrates 20 years of membership this month. Her favorite Rotary memory? The joy she brought to members of Mill Valley Rotary by allowing them



► Thanks to our good friend pro photographer Gary Ferber of Sausalito Rotary we have this photo of Mill Valley Rotarians attending the first meeting of the new Rotary year. What a crew!

CELEBRATIONS (Cont'd)

to constantly remind her of the punctured waterline! A memory that probably can't be beat! **Jim Iavarone** (7/11/23) hasn't had much time to bust any water pipes yet, but he does have fond memories of serving hot dogs at the Art Fair and selling ice cream at the Mt. Play. **Annette Venables** (8/16/22) gets a kick out of working at the Mt. Play booth. Congratulations to these fine Rotarians. The club appreciates your contributions to our community and the world through Rotary.

GOOD TIMES

❖ **PPLisán** and **PPKent Campbell** had a Rotary Good Time visiting **John Poulson** and his wife **Joan**. John is recovering from some serious back surgeries, and Joan is recovering from recent brain surgery. Lisán reported that it was great to see them, and that the Poulsons appreciated the Rotary company.



► **Still time to sign up for the August 17 Rotaplast Bocce Ball Tournament and BBQ. Email Burnett at casparkid@aol.com.**

THE FOUNDATION

❖ **Anne Sands** showed a touching video and gave an overview of The Rotary Foundation and its many good works. She also explained how the Annual Fund Share funds are allocated. **PP Greg Dyer** and **Phil Richardson** will head up ticket

sales for the upcoming District Foundation Event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **Frank Leidman** is organizing a tour of the Benziger Winery. Date is still to be determined, but contact Frank if you are interested.

❖ **PP Dick Spotswood** reported that the "Mapping Project," during which local contributions by the club over the years are catalogued, is making good progress.

❖ **PP Elizabeth Suzuki** reminded the club that volunteers are needed to man the Hot Doggery at the Art Fair on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14 and 15. Watch for an email signup opportunity.

❖ **Annette Venables** called attention to the upcoming Tribe Rising India Gala scheduled for Thursday, August 22. Mill Valley Rotarians are welcome at no cost has a result of the club's support of the organization. Please contact Annette if you plan to attend this special event.



► **Mill Valley president Ed Marshall, left, and his board meet with District 5150 District Governor Steve Wright and other district officials prior to today's meeting. (Photo by Tom McKlveen).**

PROGRAM

❖ District Governor **Steve Wright** gave a stirring talk about the meaning of Rotary and how Rotary's work benefits globally, locally and individually. This year's Rotary International theme is "The Magic of Rotary" and our District theme is "Hope in Action." His talk was uplifting to all in attendance. We thank District Governor Wright for his visit and his inspiration as we move into a new Rotary year.



► Takes two to fill in for John: Lisán and Caroline Joachim are up to the job! (Photo by Tom)



The Mill Valley Rotary "Hot Doggery" Opens for Business Soon

► Here's your chance to have some fun and help earn some money for Mill Valley Rotary projects. The Mill Valley Fall Arts Festival is scheduled for Sept. 14-15 and PP Elizabeth Suzuki will have her Hot Doggery signup sheets available soon. She'll need all the help she can get.

Meet The Brass

► President Ed poses with District 5150 officials Erik Brown, Anne Sands and District Governor Steve Wright. (Photo by Tom)



CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Kathleen Delehanty 8/8/23

Russell Burbank 8/13/12

Annette Venables 8/16/22

Kimberly Jessup 8/24/04



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



John Poulson 8/4



Frank Leidman 8/9

Bob Roberts 8/13

Vince Howes 8/19

Bernard Link 8/21

John Christman 8/23



Jim Iavarone 8/30



Next Meeting: Afghanistan: Crossroads & Kingdoms

August 20: Former Peace Corps Volunteer **Toby Marion** will discuss *Afghanistan: Crossroads and Kingdoms—My 1970s Peace Corps Service and Recent Afghan History*. He will address



the challenges of the past 50 years, what has happened and what may lie ahead. Toby was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Afghanistan from end 1971 to January 1975. He grew up in Whittier, CA and Mamaroneck, NY, and attended Cornell for a BS and MIT for an MS in Chemical Engineering. After the PC he spent 24 years with Caltex Oil, now a Chevron subsidiary, in NY, Bahrain, Australia, Dallas, Japan, Thailand and Hong Kong. After this, he worked in consulting with two companies in Hong Kong and started a wine distributorship for California wines in Hong Kong and China. He is currently retired and living in Tiburon with his British wife.

BRING A FRIEND!

**POLIO JAR
2024–2025**

**GOAL:
\$1,000**

**TOTAL
\$ 33.00**

**SERVICE FUND
(GEO. HOYLE)
2024-2025**

**GOAL:
\$10,000**

**TOTAL
\$**

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
2024-2025**

**GOAL:
\$7,000**

**TOTAL
\$**

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