



THE MILL WHEEL



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PRESIDER

■ **Susan Royce** reminded those of us who were around in 1908 that October 1 was the birthday of the Model T Ford. You could get one for a hefty \$850. Ford Fusion today: \$21,000.

GREETER

■ **Peter Mason** shared a Dear Abby letter from a concerned lady: *What can I do about all the sex and nudity on my DVD player?*

VISITING ROTARIANS

■ Bienvenue! **Pierre Glardon** (Georgia) is getting to know us! Met up with the Club at the Fall Arts Festival table.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

■ **Denise Foster** (**Bill Lambrecht**).

BIRTHDAYS

■ **Richard Rider** was serenaded by choir master **Burnett Tregoning**.

ANNIVERSARIES

■ **CLUB: Jane Hall** has loved every one of the 23,400 minutes of being a member (based on approximate number of hours spent at meetings, events, etc. for the past 5 years). Knowing **Jane**,



❖ Above: Greeter Peter Mason gets his victims into a playful mood—just ask Kathleen Delehanty and Jim McCullough. Below: Mill Valleyans attending the *Magic of Rotary* event in San Francisco Monday evening were Peter Mason, prospective new member Denise Foster, Sue Royce, Ken Brooks and Bill Lambrecht. “We had a great time mingling with other Rotarians and were delighted by Richard King, Rotary International President 2001-02 with a touching speech on how Rotary changes lives,” reported President Sue.



it's probably more. Thanks to our late, good friend **Dale Luerhing** for making such a difference by sponsoring her.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **Foundation – President Susan** reported that we're at \$10,915 towards a kitty of 12 grand.

■ **Thank You's – Dennis Klein** presented creative plaques to each of the parking lot and table attendants at the MV Fall Arts Festival. His team included **Peter Mason, Heidi Duckor, Lee Kirkpatrick, Ken Brooks, Peter Straube, J. R. Hastings, Jane Hall, Stephanie Powell and Kent Campbell**. Special recognition went to **Lee** for his compendium of the "ins and outs" of parking lot attending (does your reporter get extra credit for that one?).

■ **Elizabeth Suzuki** reported the results from our recent grant-making survey. Scout Hall (40), Club House improvements (35), Tam Clock and Alliance for Smiles more or less tied (24/23). So, most of the funds will go to the afore-mentioned Scout Hall with a smaller allocation to the Club House.

■ **Richard Simon** invited one and all to the Blood Drive at Scout Hall Oct 26. There will be a costume contest!

■ **Vince Howes** inaugurated "citrus-a-go-go" so he could get rid of a crop of lemons.

GOOD TIMES

■ **Richard Simon** enjoyed a great meal at Zazie on Cole and Shrader and a great weekend in Pt. Reyes.

■ **Pieter Bogaards** enjoyed **Bill Lambrecht's** hike of Mt. Tam.

■ **Larry Davis** spent a grand total of six bucks to watch the amazing America's Cup from both sides of the Golden Gate Bridge

POLIO PLUS CLUB GOAL \$2,000



JAR COLLECTIONS AS OF TODAY: \$997.20

■ **Elizabeth Suzuki** reminded us of the grand beauty of Yosemite, closed until further notice.

■ **Donna D'Acuti** invited us to come to her gig at the Seahorse this Thursday.

■ **Jim Simkalo** escaped from the jury of **Max Wade**, accused car thief and other alleged accomplishments.

■ **Lost and Found** has new meaning for **Carol Schrupf**, thanks to a gelato guy in Italy who found her camera.

■ **Bell Ringer! – Burnett Tregoning** gave a check for \$100 to the Service Fund, thanks to his granddaughter **Emily's** goal and two assists that led the Pacific Tigers to a rare win against the Cal Golden Bears.

NEW MEMBER NOTICE

■ The club board of directors has approved the membership application of **Denise Foster**, internet business owner who operates out of her Mill Valley home. In addition to operating PosePrints with one of her daughters, Denise also does Cloud-based finance and accounting. Her classification will be Financial - Internet. Her sponsor is **Ken Brooks**.

Denise has expressed interest in many club activities, including community service and international projects, fundraising and publicity.

Members have seven days in which to comment in writing to the club secretary.

RAFFLE

■ Free lunch for **J. R. Hastings**.



Dennis Klein reads proclamation of thanks to the many club members who helped with artist parking at the recent Mill Valley Fall Arts Festival. Our apologies to Lee Kirkpatrick!

ADULT: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

PROGRAM

■ **Nan Su**, a commentator on Chinese radio, gave an illustrated talk on Changing China - Past and Future. In 1976 at the end of the Cultural Revolution China's GDP was 9th in the world while the US was #1. In 2012, China's close on our heels at #2. He attributed the rapid growth to a bizarre style of government investment in ghost cities and other oddities.

Dissatisfied with government efficiency, people participate in 180,000 protests each year. To calm the people down, the government spends more on the "social stability fund" than it does on the military. Ending on a high note, our speaker showed a video about a young dancer studying classical Chinese dance.

Upcoming events: Shen Yun Symphony Orchestra at Davies Symphony Hall Oct. 22, 2013 and Shen Yun Classical Dance at the San Francisco Opera House January 4-12, 2014.

NEXT WEEK

■ The folks from District 5150 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) will make a presentation. Our club has been supporting RYLA for many years.

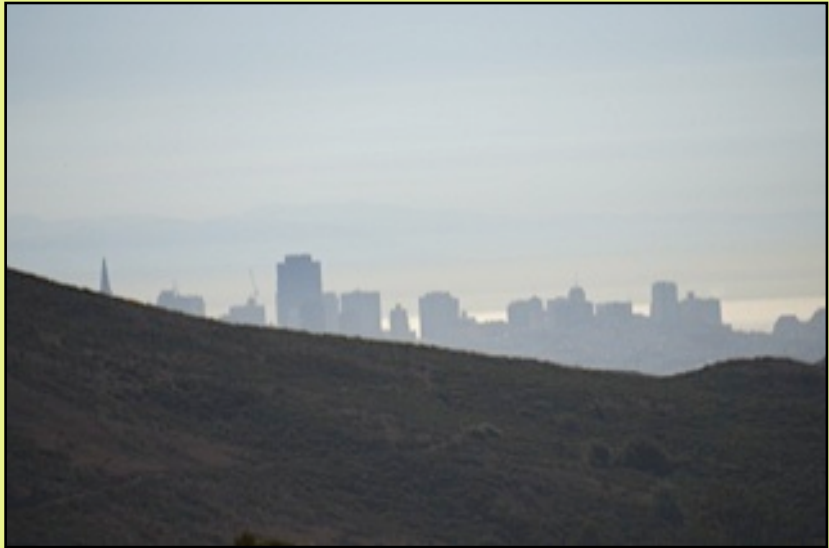
CLUB CALENDAR

■ **October 15:** Our own **Bill Lambrecht** will talk about the Rotary Microcredit matching grant in Bogota, Colombia.

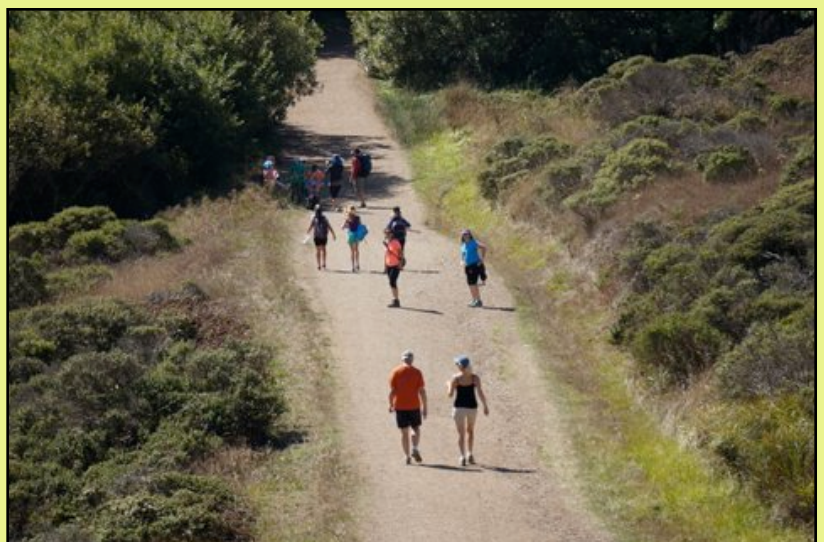
■ **October 22:** Mill Valley's own **Bea Johnson**, who writes the popular *ZeroWaste* blog and is the author of *ZeroWaste Home* will tell us how she manages to generate less than a quart of garbage a year.

■ **October 26:** Southern Marin Rotary Blood Drive at Mill Valley's Scout Hall.

MILL VALLEY ROTARIANS TAKE A HIKE!



❖ With **Bill Lambrecht** and **Marsha Hahn** leading the way, Mill Valley Rotarians **Larry and Peggy Davis**, and **Pieter & Debra Bogaards** joined **Suzi Remer**, a guest from North Carolina, on an impromptu hike in Tennessee Valley and the Marin Headlands last Saturday. The intrepid hikers not only logged over seven miles on the trek, they also encountered the club cavalry—**Vince & Ulla Howes** who were out for their traditional Saturday constitutional. Photos by team leader **Bill Lambrecht**.



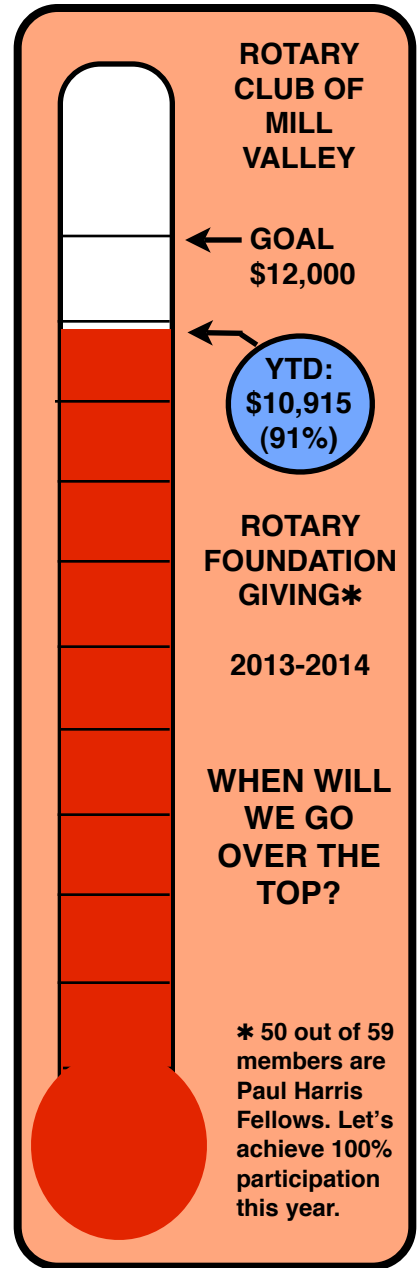


Pilot and co-pilot pose at Gness Field after returning from an Angel Flight to Fresno Thursday, Oct. 3. Pres. Sue reports the smoke from the Yosemite fire is still heavy in the valley, and that Don's Trinidad is a jewel! Question: Doesn't #2 also wear dark glasses?

CLUB CALENDAR Cont'd

- **October 29:** Charles Carey will speak on *The Road to Peace or War*. He served as a communication/information specialist at Rand, which at that time was a think tank offering research and analysis to the US armed forces. He later worked as a special assistant to the Director of the US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.
- **November 5:** *America the Beautiful—A Journey to*

Freedom. We will hear a remarkable and inspiring story of escape and survival. At the age of six **Mony Nop** and his family escaped the reign of terror of the Khmer Rouge and the killing fields of Cambodia only to end up in hard scrabble refugee camps in Thailand and the Phillipines. He arrived in the U.S. at the age of ten and ended up dumpster diving for food. With much hard work, determination, and resourcefulness, he began his journey to success, eventually becoming a Rotarian. You'll want to hear this story!



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