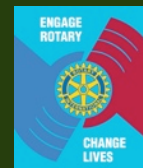




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GREETER

■ **Dick Spotswood** dipped way back into the past to quote President **Millard Fillmore**: *It is not strange to accept change for progress.*



☛ Roberta gets the Spotswood super duper greeting!

PRESIDER

■ **President Sue** with her usual style and grace.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS

■ Three special guests visited today from the Greenwood School here in Mill Valley—Teaching Assistant **Noah Trudhomme** and students **Ruby Yost** and **Paolina Hantke**. The students made a brief pitch on behalf of a visiting choir from Uganda, asking for financial

support from the club. **President Sue** announced that the board will consider their request at its regular meeting next Monday.

■ Other visitors today included **Roger Ripkin (President Sue)**, **Vic** from Tiburon (**Bruce Wrisley**), **Ulla Howes (Vince's date)**, and **Beth Descala** and **Rocky Schatz (Bob Canepa)**.

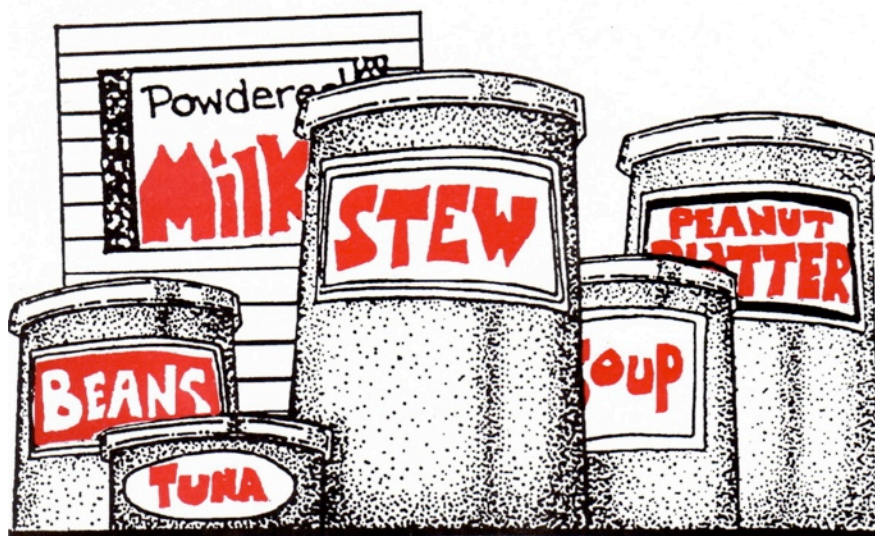
BIRTHDAYS

■ **Liz Bayer** (11/30) admitted to being 58 years old, destroying a centuries-old taboo regarding the revelation of a "lady's" age. **PP Ed Marshall** helped her celebrate

this remarkable feat by leading the singing of the Birthday Song.

ANNIVERSARIES

■ *Club*: Past Presidents both—**Jim Simkalo** (12 years) and **Bob Canepa** (30 years!) were honored today for their Rotary service. Jim's MV Rotary highlight happens every time he attends a meeting—"I just enjoy the club." Bob had two favorite Mill Valley Rotary moments—the first being sponsored for membership by **George Hoyle** 30 years ago and the second a trip to Mexico with a medical team.



THE FOOD BANK NEEDS YOU!
BRING SOMETHING FOR THE BARREL
NEXT WEEK - ONLY TWO MORE MEETINGS!

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

■ **President Sue** had the honor of presenting **Bill Lambrecht** his new Paul Harris pin—one with seven sapphires! That's eight Paul Harris's in his brief but busy Mill Valley Rotary career. Way to go, Bill!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **Foundation Update—Doug Scherf**, getting his “club” legs back after a week in Arizona celebrating Thanksgiving with his entire family, reported that Foundation giving was “status quo.” (See page 3). **Greg Dyer** reported on recent Polio Plus developments, including the disturbing news that the disease has popped up in Syria. Rotary's effort to combat polio continues none-the-less, and we are more than half way to our annual Polio Jar goal. Keep those dollars coming!

■ **Roberta Keller** reminded the club that the upcoming Holiday Luncheon is a mandatory event—\$35 to her whether you attend or not. So attend and enjoy this festive event!



■ **Barbara Hofling** announced that she will add a *Toys for Tots* barrel to the two Food Bank receptacles next week. Along with a bag of nonperishable food, please bring a new, wrapped toy for a deserving child. Let's fill those barrels to the brim!

■ The BIG fundraiser to benefit Scout Hall is now scheduled for Friday, June 13, at the Outdoor Art Club. **Elizabeth Suzuki** is looking for assistance with the



☛ It's called cozying up to the treasurer, and Bill, Greg and Kent seem to be experts at it. What do you say, Stephanie?

creation of a video, and she needs more sponsors. Give her a call.

■ Editor **Dennis Klein** reminds members that December 20 is the deadline for the January 2014 Roster update. Get your new pictures and copy changes to him post haste!

GOOD TIMES

■ **Roberta Keller** got some great front page publicity for Scout Hall in a recent edition of the *Marin IJ*.

■ **Bill Lambrecht** has been truly blessed—how does a hole-in-one sound to the rest of you weekend golfers? He did it at Richmond and it spurred him to toss in a bell ringer!

■ The Thanksgiving get-together by **Doug Scherf** and his family in Phoenix included riding Go Carts and attending a car show. But the really BIG event was a family style game of “War” during which they used eight (8) decks for the same number of people. No report on final results!

■ Another bell ringer—**Dan Hatch** and his wife just returned from an extensive Church World Service tour in Indonesia. They were able to spend some time in

Bali and met with a friend in Singapore in addition to inspecting many good works along the way.

■ This is a Good Time? **Kent Campbell's** wife fell at their hillside Mill Valley home and broke her leg. Kent noted that he hasn't been able to get to Rotary much during her recuperation, taking kids here and there and just being a mom as well as a dad. We wish **Lisan** the best and hope for a speedy recovery.

RAFFLE

■ Our speaker, **Bryant Austin**, won a free lunch. The pot is still alive!

PROGRAM

■ A few weeks ago it was sharks. Today it was whales, and the photos and the stories of how they were obtained, were absolutely fantastic! You had to be there to appreciate **Bryant Austin's** talent with a camera and his relationship with these behemoths as he swims with them. If you missed the meeting you must visit his website: www.studiocosmos.com

NEXT WEEK

■ Club Historian **Dick Spotswood** will tell us about *The Life and Times of George Hoyle*.

CLUB CALENDAR

■ **December 17: Holiday Party at Piazza d'Angelo.**

■ **December 24: No Meeting – Merry Christmas!**

POLIO PLUS CLUB GOAL
\$2,000



JAR COLLECTIONS AS OF TODAY:
\$1,294.20

■ **December 31: No Meeting – Happy New Year!**

■ **January 7: Dr. Randy Overbeck**, author of *Leave No Child Behind*, will talk about *Teachers: The Real American Heroes*. Dr. Overbeck is a veteran educator who has devoted four decades to the service of children as a teacher, college professor and school leader. He has worked with thousands of teachers, custodians, secretaries and administrators in schools, large and small, rural and suburban. He knows schools and his writing has vividly captured the drama of the world of education. For his educational leadership and advocacy for children, Dr. Overbeck has won recognition from state and national organizations including the National Teacher Leader Award.



The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement

ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING*

2013-2014

YTD:
\$12,485
(104%)

GOAL
\$12,000

THERE'S NO STOPPING US NOW!

* 51 out of 59 members are Paul Harris Fellows. Let's achieve 100% participation this year.

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