



# THE MILL WHEEL



Rotary Club of Mill Valley  
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## GREETER

❖ **Stephanie Ricardo** was busy welcoming members and guests to today’s meeting. Her Thought for the Day: *If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else* —**Booker T. Washington.**

## PRESIDER

❖ President **Lee Kirkpatrick** at the helm.

## VISITORS

❖ *Visiting Rotarian:* **Ed Oviatt**, Rotary Club of Napa, was the guest of **Margareth Tanner**.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ The *Holiday Luncheon* is fast approaching (see message at right).
- ❖ Same goes for the final opportunities to bring food for the *Food Bank* and toys for *Toys for Tots* (Check the ads on pages 3 and 4).

## CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Club Anniversary:*  
Congratulations to Past President **Ed Marshall** (2007-08) who celebrated his 34th anniversary as a member of MV Rotary on November 19. Ed is one of two club presidents who served more than the traditional one year term, having to assume office early due

to the untimely death of his predecessor, **David Hodge**. Ed’s favorite Rotary Moment: the club’s support of a program in Ecuador that provided cataract operations. Thanks, Ed, for your many contributions to the community and the world through your very active, long-time participation in Rotary.

❖ *Birthday:* Unexpected events at the Redwoods Retirement Center, including a “shelter in place” order last week as a result of a chemical spill at Tam High School, has made it difficult for **Don Bowden** to get to Rotary. As a result, his birthday (11/17) was

celebrated today with a Birthday Song led by PP Ed.

## GEO. HOYLE/PAUL HARRIS

❖ We were honored today by the attendance of Honorary Member **Leon (Lee) Smith**, who was accompanied by his daughter **Anne**. A retired pediatrician, Lee joined Mill Valley Rotary on January 30, 1962 and served as our president in 1979-80. Readers of the *Mill Wheel* will recall that we recently reported the passing of Lee’s wife **Janice**, and he came to Rotary today not only to see old friends but to honor her memory by presenting **President**



**Santa Says:**  
“Sign up today!”



**Annual Holiday Luncheon**  
**December 17, 2019 - 12:00 - 1:30**  
**Piazza D’Angelo Ristorante**  
**\$50.00 per person (includes wine)**  
**Please mail your check to:**  
**Roberta Keller**  
**500 Hillside Avenue**  
**Mill Valley, CA 94941**

**GEO HOYLE/PAUL HARRIS**

Lee two checks—one to the club Service Fund and one to The Rotary Foundation—both multi-bell-ringers making Janice a posthumous *George Hoyle and Paul Harris* Fellow.

❖ Fellow “old-timer” PP **Bruce Wrisley** (1983-84) also honored the memory off his late wife

**Nancy** during a brief ceremony conducted by PP **Kent Campbell**. Kent presented Bruce with Nancy’s *George Hoyle Fellowship* certificate after detailing some of her many contributions to life in Mill Valley. Our thanks to Lee and Bruce for their continued support of the Mill Valley Rotary Service Fund and The Rotary Foundation.

**GOOD TIMES**

❖ A Thanksgiving Day hike in the Berkeley Hills led to a really Good Time for **John Christman**. **Lisa** said, “Yes!” and now they will start with the wedding plans. ❖ **Burnett’s** Thanksgiving Day was spent with his son **Mike**, his family and his in-laws down in Silicon Valley. The fact that

**CLUBHOUSE CANDIDS - DECEMBER 3, 2019**



► Clockwise from top left: Lee Smith and Bruce Wrisley enjoy lunch while Lee’s daughter Anne looks on; New member John Poulson gets a shot at the magic marble but comes up empty; Greeter Stephanie Ricardo gets ‘em standing and sitting—here she welcomes “birthday boy” Don Bowden to today’s meeting; PP Kent Campbell shares his Christmas list with PP Greg Dyer just in case Greg’s cap is for real; Today’s Speaker John Geoghegan reveals the story behind the Japanese submarines that attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941.



**GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)**

Burnett could recall at least half of the names of the in-laws prompted him to contribute a 2-1/2 bell-ringer to the MV Rotary Service Fund. By the way, the food was fantastic!

❖ PP **Elizabeth Suzuki** made good on her promise last week to contribute two bell-ringers—one to the Service Fund and one to The Rotary Foundation—as the result of her recent birthday celebration in France.

**RAFFLE**

❖ Our newest member, **John Poulson**, has figured out how to purchase a winning ticket, but has yet to get the “feel” of the magic marble. Bottle of wine!

**PROGRAM**

❖ Author **John Geoghegan**'s talk was titled *The Midget Sub Attack on Pearl Harbor*. Most people think the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor relied on airplanes but the Imperial Japanese Navy not only

had 11 subs surrounding Oahu but launched five mini subs to attack battleship row as well. John's presentation told the interesting story of the midget sub attack on Pearl Harbor from the point of view of the Japanese officers who participated, only one of whom survived to tell his story.



▶ ONLY TWO WEEKS TO FILL THE TOYS FOR TOTS BOX!  
PLEASE BRING NEW, UNWRAPPED GIFTS THAT YOU FEEL WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR KIDS OR GRANDKIDS!

*Tis the Season...  
Sharing Traditions*

**Singers**  
MARIN

Saturday, December 21st 4pm

St. Vincent's Chapel  
1 St. Vincent Drive, San Rafael



**NEXT WEEK**

**December 10 (12:15):** The Mill Valley Middle School Bluegrass Band will be performing a *Holiday Serenade* for us. They will be performing a selection of pieces that highlight the talent and dedication of these students, and they will have us tapping our toes. This is a KIDDO! Foundation funded ensemble directed by Mill Valley School District music teacher **Lori**



**Adessa.** We are very pleased to have them back for another performance.

**Note:** *Don't forget your donations to the Food Bank and to Toys for Tots. Only two more weeks to go!*

**CLUB CALENDAR**

**December 17 (12:00 - 1:30):** The **Annual Holiday Lunch** at *Piazza d'Angelo* in downtown Mill Valley. Final time to bring donations for the *Food Bank* and *Toys for Tots*.

**December 24: No Meeting. Merry Christmas!**

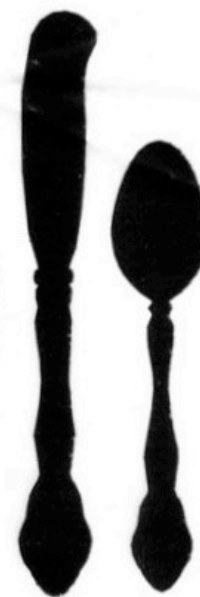
**December 31: No Meeting Happy New Year!**

**FILL THE BARREL!**

**HELP**

**FEED THE HUNGRY!**

**Fill the Empty Plates**



**of the less fortunate in Marin**

**NO GLASS CONTAINERS, PLEASE!**

**MOST NEEDED FOODS**

Tuna  
Peanut Butter

Canned Chili  
Canned Beans

Canned Fruit  
Substantial Soups

Pastas  
Sauces

**CLUB CALENDAR (Cont'd)**

**January 7 (12:15):** Music photographer **Bob Minkin** will present *The Music Never Stopped* —Marin County's Music Scene Photographed by Bob Minkin. Bob will discuss his career and will present a slide show based on his recent books, *The Music Never Stopped*, a stunning hardcover coffee table book spanning over 25 years of music photography and stories from Marin County, and his latest book, *Just Jerry*, his photographs of **Jerry Garcia**. This program will include slide show, book sales and signing.

**January 14 (12:15):** Our old friend **Oak Dowling** will be our

**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?

speaker. His presentation is entitled *An Intimate Portrait of an Unlikely Rock Star: U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg*. This lecture and clips from the documentary "RBG" will explore how her early legal battles changed the world for

women. Justice Ginsburg has developed a lengthy legal legacy while becoming an unexpected pop culture icon. But the unique personal journey of her rise to the nation's highest court has been largely unknown, even to some of her biggest fans, until now.

**Pretty busy today. Was only able to check my phone 1400 times.**

I'M NOT RIGHT IN THE HEAD.COM

**POLIO PLUS**

**2019-2020 GOAL:**  
**\$1,000**

**JAR TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**  
**\$546.05**

**SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)**

**2019-2020 GOAL:**  
**\$10,000**

**TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**  
**\$4,695.16**

**ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING**

**2019-2020 GOAL:**  
**\$11,000**

**TOTAL AS OF TODAY:**  
**\$4,630.00**

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