



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ Past President **Kent Campbell** welcomed members to this special evening Club Visioning session.

PRESIDERS

■ Three District 5150 Rotary Club members—Past District Governor (PDG) **Eric Schmutz**, Rotary Club of San Francisco; PDG **Jeri Fujimoto**, Rotary Club of San Carlos; and **Christine Goodin**, Past President of the Rotary Club of Terra Linda—conducted the club strategic planning session. **President J. R.** was in attendance, keeping a low profile while happy to show that it takes at least three Rotarians to replace him.



► **Kent welcomes Club Vision facilitators Jeri Fujimoto and Eric Schmutz.**

PROGRAM

■ The club strategic planning session—formally known as

“Club Visioning”—took over three hours. We were challenged to think about and come up with solid ideas that can be injected into the life of the club. In other words, what will the Rotary Club of Mill Valley look like five years from now?

First, we put our ideas down on paper. Then, under the guidance of PDG **Eric Schmutz**, we shared them with the group while **Jeri** and **Christine** frantically recorded them on big sheets of paper.

The sheets ended up on the clubhouse walls where participants later recorded their favorites for implementation. Areas explored included club mission, club attributes, club size, club service, vocational service,

DISTRICT “VISION” TEAM HELPS CLUB MEMBERS CHART THEIR FUTURE

► **Left: Bill Lambrecht and Jean Batman vote for their favorite ideas. Center: PDG Eric Schmutz challenges session attendees to come up with stimulating ideas. Right: Terra Linda’s Christine Goodin posts suggestions made by Mill Valley Rotarians during the Vision session.**



PROGRAM (Cont'd)

community service, world service, youth service, fundraising, public image, the RI Foundation, and the Mill Valley Rotary Service Fund.

At the wrap up session, club leadership was tasked with the job of presenting the vision created tonight to the entire club. So, you can expect to see and hear the results of this evening's session at a Club Assembly sometime soon. That's when you will have your turn to help chart the club's future.



► PDG Eric Schmutz of the Rotary Club of San Francisco challenges Mill Valley Rotarians to think outside the box as they respond to questions during the Club Vision program presented by a District 5150 team. (Photo by Ed Marshall)

ONE MORE LETTER OF THANKS FROM MILL VALLEY ROTARY SCHOLARS

Dear Mill Valley Rotary,

My name is Miki Dahlke and I will be a Sophomore this year swimming division 1 at Harvard University. This past year has been an absolute dream. I honestly could not imagine a better first year experience. To be 100% honest, I thank a lot of my success this year to you. Not only did you take some of the financial burden off my family shoulder's with you generosity, but with the money you have supported me with, I have been able to use the precious time I have out of the classroom and library to realize my passion and dream in the pool.

This year I was able to solely represent not only my school but the whole Ivy League at the Swimming NCAA national championships in March. I was also the only swimmer or diver in the Ivy League to achieve Scholar All-American status. (This award combines both your athletic performance and your GPA during the year).

Outside of the classroom and pool, I was also able to join a nonprofit, volunteer program called the Mission Hill After School Program. Once a week, I, along with a group of students, would travel to a less fortunate part of Boston and spend time, work on homework, and do fun activities with school children of all ages. I worked with 5-6 year-olds and my favorite part of the program was that we were able to walk the children from home to the classroom site and

back home after the program was over. During that time, I would get to talk about their day at school, what they were doing for vacation, and just get to know the wonderful children that they all are. Besides that, I love getting to know the local Boston area and giving back to my new community. This is an unpaid volunteer opportunity that I am only able to participate in because of you.

It has been hard to balance and excel in all of these areas, but your kindheartedness has allowed and will continue to allow me to achieve to my full potential. I'm incredibly grateful for your time and the many doors you have unknowingly opened. From the bottom of my heart, I say:

Thank you, Miki Dahlke.



Tamalpais High graduate Mikaela Dahlke addresses Mill Valley Rotary in 2016.

NEW MEMBER

■ The club board of directors has approved the membership application of **Jan Pedersen Schiff**, founder and Artistic Director of *Singers Marin*. Her sponsor is Past President **Sue Royce**. Jan's classification will be *Music - Vocal Instructor/Choral*. A resident of Mill Valley, she is a professional singer/conductor. In addition to conducting *Singers Marin*, she is a vocal coach for amateur and professional singers. She received a Milley Award in 2003 and was inducted into the Marin Womens' Hall of Fame in 2013. Club members have 7 days in which to comment to the secretary in writing should they wish to do so.



► Anybody missing a classy bottle? Lee Kirkpatrick found this one in the clubhouse before heading home Tuesday. If it's yours, you might want to think about bringing some extra cash to next week's meeting so you can "buy it back!"

NEXT WEEK

March 20: Maureen "Mo" Devnieva will tell us *What Social Media Can Do for You*. #RotaryEdition. Did you know by 2018 video will account for over 2/3 of mobile usage? Come to this session to help move our club forward with social media and video. Walk away with skills to share our club's #RotaryStory!

CLUB CALENDAR

March 17: District Workshop (AKA District Learning and Leadership Development Assembly) 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Redwood High School, 395 Doherty Drive, Larkspur. Register to attend on District website.

March 22: REST Program (Rotating Emergency Shelter Team) at the Community

MV 3RD GRADERS GETTING THEIR DICTIONARIES



► Delivery of dictionaries to Mill Valley 3rd Graders has started. Above the children at Tam Valley School pose with presenters PP Ken Brooks and Ed Marshall. Below, 2018 Dictionary Project managers Phil Richardson (3rd from right) and Ken Brooks (sitting) take a break from preparing the books for delivery. Standing from left are Kristen Estheimer, executive assistant to the District Superintendent, John Christman, Mill Valley Schools Superintendent Paul Johnson, Phil, Lee Kirkpatrick and Robin Keller. Want to help deliver books? Call Ken and/or Phil.



CLUB CALENDAR

Congregational Church of Tiburon-Belvedere. Our second opportunity to directly serve the homeless by providing food and fellowship. Past President **Kim Jessup** is putting together a crew, so please check with her to volunteer your services.

March 27: Mill Valley Rotary exchange student **Eli Ferrell** will tell about *My Experiences as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student in Europe*. He will share with us his travels and adventures while studying in Spain.

April 3: Members Program.

April 7: Spring spruce up at Rotary Corner down at Terwilliger Marsh in front of the Mill Valley Community Center.

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?

Work starts at 9:30 and ends at noon. Wear your gloves and bring your clippers.

April 10: To be announced.

April 17: Roberto Calandro will speak on Robotics. He is a postdoctoral scholar at UC Berkeley in the Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research Laboratory.

April 24: Austrian exchange student **Felix Filzwieser** will talk about "AAA." Not the Triple A you know, but Felix, the Amiable, Austrian and Advocate for Rotary. He will be speaking about his homeland, family, school, and life in Austria. He will share with us his journey and experiences as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student living in Marin.

May 1: Beatles expert **Tony Broadbent** will be our speaker. His presentation is titled *The Beatles. Here, There, and Everywhere. Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.*

HOSPITAL BLOOPERS

I saw your patient today, who is still under our car for physical therapy.

**2017-2018
POLIO PLUS**

**CLUB GOAL
\$2,500.00**

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$1,750.94**

**2017-2018
SERVICE FUND
(GEORGE HOYLE)**

**GOAL
\$10,000**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$5,770.00**

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
GIVING**

**2017-2018 GOAL:
\$18,000.00**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$11,130.00**

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