



# THE MILL WHEEL



Rotary Club of Mill Valley  
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## GREETER

❖ **Burnett Tregoning**, his wonderful quote of the day was: *The only way to have a friend is to be one!*—**Ralph Waldo Emerson**.

## PRESIDER

❖ President **Lee Kirkpatrick**.

## VISITORS

❖ Guests of Members: **Bob McLaughlin, Nadia Narita, Mari Allen, Yana Kunitsky, Jeffrey Blum** and adorable baby **Nina**. They were guests of **Bob Canepa, Lee Kirkpatrick** and **Bob Roberts**.

## YOU BE THE JUDGE

❖ Before getting to the meat of today's meeting, **President Lee** asked the club to help settle a dispute between our esteemed managing editor and the club program chair.

It seems that **Burnett** and **Bob** have been going at it pretty heavy via email ever since the *Mill Wheel* described Bob's leading of the Birthday Song in honor of **Barbara Hoffling** as "about as good as could be expected." Bob felt slighted and demanded a retraction, something our editor felt he could not do since "he calls 'em like he sees 'em."

Prior to today's meeting, both **Bob** and **Burnett** had an opportunity to chat with **Barbara**, who informed them that she thought Bob's effort was really "sweet" and that they should stop their feuding.

Believing there was no way he could win out over "sweet," the Managing Editor capitulated and agreed to make a substantial contribution to the Polio Jar as a penance.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Foundation Chair **Phil Richardson** has collected over

\$4000.00 so far during the Every Rotarian Every Year campaign. You still have one more week left before the deadline to get your check and your raffle tickets to **Phil**. Call him or email him if you have any questions.

❖ **Bruce Wrisley** announced that his last screening test for cancer turned out negative. He donated \$750.00 to the Service Fund.

❖ **Ray Palmarini** reported that he lost his ranch home near **Healdsburg** to the fire last week.

❖ The president pointed out that we are losing \$125.00 per meeting on our lunch expenses. Take out following the meeting



**Santa Says  
Save the Date**

**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**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

will not be free anymore and President Elect **Carl Lippenberger** now serves as the club negotiator.

### CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Club Anniversary:* **Karen Buckter** (10/28/15) has been a

member for four years. Karen is one of the organizers of the Mill Valley Rotary sponsored Career Day at San Andreas High School in Larkspur. Thanks, Karen, for everything you do for the community and the world through Rotary.

❖ *Birthdays:* **Kim Jessup** and **Elizabeth Suzuki**. They were not present at the meeting, so no song was sung (*Relax, Bob!*).

### GOOD TIMES

❖ **Donna D'Acuti** reported that during a power outage a headlamp and a radio are your best friends.

❖ **PP Bob Roberts** received an illustrated book showing the key ski runs in the world as a thank you for his outstanding work last year as president. **PP Kent**

## CLUBHOUSE CANDIDS - NOVEMBER 5, 2019



► Clockwise from upper left: 2018-2019 President **Bob Roberts** holds the ski run book presented by **PP Kent Campbell**; **Lisán** tries her best; Visitor **Jeff Blum** visits with **Bill Lambrecht**; Speaker **Akemi Johnson**, seated, sells a book to **Lisán** while visitor **Mari Allen** watches.





**Campbell** made the presentation of the special publication, which was signed by most club members, even those who are allergic to snow.

#### RAFFLE

❖ **Lisán Campbell** could not find the red marble and got a bottle of wine instead.

#### PROGRAM

❖ Our speaker today was **Akemi Johnson**. Her presentation was entitled: *Night in the American Village: Women in the Shadow of the U.S. Military Bases in Okinawa*.

Akemi grew up in Marin and has since traveled to many military bases at home and abroad. Today there are around 700 American military bases still existing around the world.

She described what it is like to live on and near these bases and focused mainly on Okinawa, an island south of Japan. The island has its own history and language, but old customs and traditions are slowly dying out.


During the war some 140,000 civilians were killed on the

island, a popular sign read: *No Rape, No Base, No Tears*. In 1972 Okinawa became part of Japan. The US military stayed on and bulldozed many homes to make space for military bases. In the entertainment district one can experience American life and culture dating back to 1950. Cocktail bars play old songs, pictures of vintage cars are pinned on the walls and steak and pie is served at the American village. It is also said that Okinawan women prefer to date American service men, many of African descent. Okinawans remain a minority group. They once were the

longest living people on earth, but the strong American influence is changing that. They also face discrimination from Japan. For more details you can read her book with the above titles.

#### NEXT WEEK

**November 12 (12:15): Jack Liebster**, Marin County's Advance Planning Manager for countywide, coastal and sea level rise planning, will speak. His presentation is entitled *Got Kids? What are They Worth to You?* (A brief look at the terrible legacy



## PASSPORT

### AN EVENING OF FUN & ADVENTURE

**November 23, 2019**  
**Osher Marin JCC • 5:30 PM**


A "Fun-Raiser" Hosted by  
Mission San Rafael Rotary

Food Stations • Live Music  
Must-Buy Auction Items • Dancing

**Beneficiaries Include:**  
3 Local & 3 Global Charities:  
Meals of Marin • Slide Ranch • Marin Shakespeare Company  
Days for Girls • H2Open Doors • Reach a Hand Children's Orphanage


**Musical Groups:**  
**Jimi Z Band • Lovin' Harmony Trio**  
**Emceed by Liam Mayclem, CBS-SF TV**

**Help Us Blow Out the Candles For Our Birthday Honorees:**  
Sue Rokaw - Rotary District 5150 Governor  
Jon Kaufman - H2Open Doors Founder  
Melissa Prandi - MSRR Club President



**TICKETS - \$100 PER PERSON**

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#### ROTARY NITE LITE

**Wednesday**  
**November 13**  
**5:30 - 6:30**

**Join us at**  
**The Assembly**  
**319 Miller Ave.**  
**Mill Valley**

**NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)**

we'll leave them, and what we can do about it.) Marin County has always been forward-looking, and has begun to address the potential effects of sea level rise and climate disruption with the strategy of getting ahead of and

minimizing the worst impacts. The County has completed "vulnerability assessments" for both the Bay and Ocean Shoreline, evaluating a series of scenarios of the potential risks arising as sea levels increase over time. For example, projections show that at 10 inches of sea level rise, combined with 1% chance storm,

4,500 homes and businesses along the Bay shoreline would be flooded, 30 miles of roadways would be under water, and 200,000 residents, employees and commuters would have their lives disrupted. The County, local and regional agencies and Marin citizens are battling climate disruption on two fronts:



## KEEPING UP WITH THE DYERS

► And you thought the Greg and Karyn Dyer left their heart in Maui! Well these photos, recently received from the vacationing duo, show they are not afraid to visit London, England and Cape Town, South Africa. The photo below may have been snapped by a South African Rotarian since they met a group while there.





### NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)

“mitigation” to reduce greenhouse gases that fuel the growing crisis, and “adaptation” to defend against and cope with a new normal of constant threatening change. Jack will provide an overview of what is going on, and what needs to be done.

### CLUB CALENDAR

**November 9 (9:30):** Put on your gloves and grab your clippers for the Work Party at Rotary Corner down on Terwilliger Marsh.

**November 13 (5-30 - 6:30):** *Rotary Nite Lite*, 319 Miller Ave. Everybody welcome. Bring your ideas for projects.

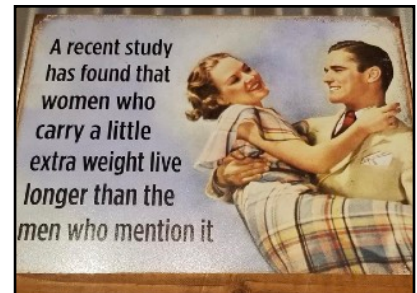
### The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do

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?

**November 19 (12:15):** Former CIA agent **Steve Almy** will present *Spying: What It Is & What It Isn't*. He will talk about the type of work done by the Directorate of Operations—the most important part of the CIA. Included will be examples

of what “we don't do”—which will run counter to so much that has been written about the CIA and shown in Hollywood movies.

**November 26 (12:15):** Historian **Eric Torney** will tell us about *Marinship—World's Most Amazing Shipyard*. This promises to be a fascinating bit of history, especially since it took place in our back yard.



Courtesy PP Bob Roberts

### POLIO PLUS

2019-2020 GOAL:

**\$1,000**

JAR TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:

**\$354.00**

### SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

2019-2020 GOAL:

**\$17,500**

TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:

**\$8,262.66**

### ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2019-2020 GOAL:

**\$11,000**

TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:

**\$4,330.00**

### ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2019-2020

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