

# THE MILL WHEEL



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# **GREETER**

♣ Past President **Dick Spotswood** glad-handed today, offering the following as his Thought for the Day: *Yesterday is history; Tomorrow is a mystery; Today is a present.* Seems **President Lee** spotted this message on a sign in a store and passed it along to Dick. Is this legal?

#### **PRESIDER**

# Will the water never stop coming? President Lee auctioned off another couple of cases today. Wish we could have seen him balancing all of that load on his bike!

#### **VISITORS**

♣ Guests of Rotarians: Kathy Chan was introduced to the club by her friend. PP Jane Hall.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ❖ PP **Bob** Canepa reported that the San Quentin tour scheduled for August 29 has five spots left. Email Bob right now (bobca1947@comcast.net) if you'd like to participate.
- ♣ Bob also announced that the club has decided to replicate a program from three years ago thanking Mill Valley safety officers. So-called *Survival Kits* containing all sorts of sweets will

be presented to the City Fathers attending September 10th's meeting for distribution to the guys and gals who spend many hours keeping all of us safe here in Mill Valley. Funds for this special program are not included in the 2019-2020 budget, so **President Lee** volunteered his biker's helmet and we passed the hat to collect funds in support of the program. One neat thing about Lee's hat: It doesn't hold coins. The message to MV Rotarians was *Greenbacks only, please!* 

**❖ Jane Hall** announced the imminent arrival of our latest Rotary Exchange student, **Juan Mendes** from Santiago, Chile.

#### **GOOD TIMES**

- \* PP Jane has just returned to Mill Valley after visiting Ireland with her daughter and some of her daughter's friends. Touring Dublin and Belfast were highlights.
- \* Not sure this qualifies as a Good Time for either **President**

# ONCE UPON A TIME IS NOW

**Note:** We presume that most members of Mill Valley Rotary received this email thank you note from The Rotary Foundation, but thought it appropriate to feature it in this issue as a reminder of how important it is to continue supporting this fantastic organization.

■ Once upon a time, Arch Klumph had a dream of Doing Good in the World. The Rotary Foundation was created to make that dream a reality by funding service projects in communities that need our help. Today, donors like you continue to make dreams come true.

Your donation to The Rotary Foundation helped us raise more than **\$395 million** last Rotary year. That means more clean water, less disease, and greater hope for a peaceful world.

Thank you, Rotarian, for your continued support of The Rotary Foundation. Your dedication and generosity make success stories around the world possible. Because of you, once upon a time is now

Sincerely, The Rotary Foundation

# **GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)**

Lee or Donna D, but the prexy made a big production of returning a scarf to Donna even though she seemed not quite certain that it was hers. Only at Mill Valley Rotary!

#### **RAFFLE**

**❖ Lisán Campbell** brought "Cuca" along today for good luck and it paid off—almost. She had the winning ticket but couldn't grab the magic marble. Better luck next time, Cuca. We bet "mama" will enjoy the consolation bottle of red wine.

#### **PROGRAM**

❖ The title of her presentation was *The Jokester Waitress Tells All*, and speaker **Linda Hepworth** did a pretty good job living up to

#### ROSTERS HERE

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► The 2019-2020 Club Membership Rosters are out. Be sure to look for yours at the sign-in table at next week's meeting. it. The personable professional waitress (the Garden Court of the Palace Hotel in S.F., Chalet Basque in San Rafael and The Hilltop in Novato) shared many funny stories of her days as a server.

Linda also has authored three books. Her first two, *If These Tables Could Talk* and *Turning the Tables*, are both collections of short stories, detailing her professional life working in restaurants.

She built her reputation as The Jokester Waitress by entertaining folks with a little quip, joke or story, while they wait for their meals to be prepared. Linda used humor to put her customers at ease, making everyone's life a little



#### PROGRAM (Cont'd)

brighter. Her third book, *The Water Beckons*, just recently finished, is about how she returned to the world of competitive swimming after a 40-year hiatus.

Linda shared a few salacious stories, raising chuckles and sometimes outright guffaws from her staid Rotary audience.

Thanks for coming, Linda. That was a lot of fun!

#### **NEXT WEEK**

August 13 (12:15): Members Program. Two of our newest members—Sam Tagaya and Will Orellana will each talk about themselves and their life stories for 15 minutes.

# **CLUB CALENDAR**

August 20 (12:15): Dennis McNally, the official biographer and long time publicist of the

Grateful Dead, will speak about The Grateful Dead in Marin. He also wrote a book about the group: A Long Strange Trip: The Inside Story of the Grateful Dead. A remarkable fact is that the Grateful Dead may be more popular now than in 1995, when their founding guitarist Jerry Garcia died. Actually, almost everything about the Grateful Dead was remarkable. At the same time that they were psychedelic pioneers exploring the cosmic edges of sonic

# **CLUBHOUSE CANDIDS - AUGUST 6, 2019**









► Clockwise starting at top left:
PP Jane Hall shows the club
the Innsbruck Rotary flag just
received from Exchange
Student Jolina Thomé;
President Lee looking sharp in
Donna D's scarf; Greeter PP
Dick Spotswood glad hands
Howard Harker; Ray Palmarini
drops a fiver into President
Lee's biker's hard hat to help
finance a planned salute to Mill
Valley safety officers; and, as
hard as she tried, Lisán could
not find the magic marble.



#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

possibility, they were cowboys riding horses around **Mickey Hart**'s ranch in Novato. They spent the bulk of their careers in Marin County, and this talk will explore some of the many places where they lived, worked, and played, from Stinson Beach to the Canal District of San Rafael—and beyond.

August 27 (12:15): Hildebrando Bustamante, Past District Governor (PDG) of Rotary District 4455 in Perú, and Joaquin de la Piedra, founder and president of Kusimayo, our partners in the Greenhouse Project, will be here to tell us about *Our Projects in Perf* with Past President Bob Roberts leading the discussion.

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

- 1. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 2. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 3. Is it the TRUTH?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

September 3 (12:15):

**Drawdown: Marin** is a bold, community-driven campaign to do our part to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and prepare for climate change impacts. The County, with the support and input from the entire community, will work to eliminate fossil fuel

use and "drawdown" carbon emissions by designing and implementing solutions in six Focus Areas.

September 10 (12:15): Vice-Mayor Jim Wickham and City Manager Jim McCann will provide the annual report *Mill Valley: State of the City.* Get the latest updates on City initiatives and programs, and meet the new Police Chief, Alan Piombo.



**POLIO PLUS** 

2019/2020 GOAL:

\$1,000

JAR TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$122.00

SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

2019-2020 GOAL: \$10,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$100.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2019-2020 GOAL: \$11,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY: \$100.00

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