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GREETER

■ **Robin Keller** did the honors today, offering a line from his favorite movies, *The Little Princess*, as his Thought for the Day: *Life is pain, Princess, and anyone who tells you different is selling something.*

PRESIDER

■ **President J. R.** wondered if anyone knew why the witches lost their baseball game. The answer: *Their bats flew away!* (**Editor’s Note:** Bats or no bats they could have beaten the MV Rotary nine!)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **Dennis Klein** announced a Scotch Broom pull this coming Saturday on Tennessee Valley land behind Marin City. A map and details will be sent to the club before the event. If you have questions, check with Dennis.

■ **President J. R.** reminded the club about the upcoming hike sponsored by the Rotary Club of West Marin, scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 1. Check with him for details.

■ **J. R.** also noted that next week (Oct. 5) our own **Donna D** will be performing at the *Panama Hotel* in San Rafael. Donna and her musical group are scheduled to go on stage at 7 p.m. The Panama’s a fun place—good food, special ambience, and next week the entertainment will be exceptional.



Let’s go! For dinner reservations call 415-457-3993.

■ Foundation Chair **Tom McKlveen** made a pitch for donations to take advantage of the raffle to be held at the upcoming District 5150 Foundation Event at

Madame Tussaud’s in San Francisco (See Calendar). Tom’s goal is to have 100 percent participation by our members with the hope that \$200 donations will be the rule rather than the exception. For every \$20 contributed you get one raffle ticket and a chance to win some pretty snazzy prizes. Tom will miss next week’s meeting but you can give your check—made payable to *The Rotary Foundation*—to **Morgan** at the sign-in table.

■ Rotary celebrates World Polio Day on October 24. **President J. R.** indicated that our club would be doing something special on that day but offered no specifics other than perhaps really filling the Polio Jar. Past President **Greg Dyer** noted that the current *Rotarian* magazine (see above left) should inspire Rotarians to



► Our speakers—Rogér Knoren and Claudia Sandova of Pachamama Alliance—pose with past president Greg Dyer and President J. R.

contribute to the cause. Greg noted that Mill Valley Rotary has been on board Polio Plus since its inception, and being a part of Rotary's effort to eradicate polio "makes me glad to be a Rotarian."

■ Might be time to start checking the closet for your Halloween costume, advised **President J. R.** At our October 31 meeting the club will again conduct a contest, which our president fully expects to win!

CELEBRATIONS

■ **Don and Gloria Herzog** have celebrated 55 "wonderful years" together, and the club offers its

NEW MEMBERS

heartiest congratulations!

■ The club board has approved the membership applications of

Morgan J. Pierce and Sharon Segal.

Club members know that Morgan is our new treasurer. She was born and raised in San Jose but now lives in Greenbrae with her 15 year-old daughter. She operates a business, Morgan Pierce Designs, out of her home. Her sponsor is **J. R. Hastings.**

Old-timers (your editor included) will remember **Sharon Segal** who was a Mill Valley Rotarian some time ago. Sharon is an optician and a stalwart at Marin Optometry in downtown Mill Valley. She is very active in the community, including the Mill Valley Chamber of Commerce and 10,000 Degrees. Her Rotary interests include scholarships and youth programs.

Mill Valley Rotarians have seven days in which to comment, to the secretary in writing, on

either or both of these candidates should they care to do so.

GOOD TIMES

■ **Donna D's** been having some physical problems, as have some members of her family, so when **Lee Kirkpatrick** tossed her the winning raffle ticket two weeks ago, a big smile covered her face and she felt compelled to share some of her good fortune—two bell-ringers to The Rotary Foundation; one for Lee, then another in her name.

■ **Ray Palmarini and Cheryl** spent some family-time recently in Santa Barbara.

■ **PP Richard Rider** celebrated wife **Jane's** birthday in the East Bay playing golf and attending a Cal fundraiser. Go Bears!

■ **President J. R.** put on his hiking boots last Saturday to explore Mt. Tam with 10,000



KEEPING TABS ON THE TRAVELERS: BOB CANEPA

► Bob's been busy exploring Armenia and Georgia. The two photos below at left show our intrepid explorer shaking hands with "Stalin" and posing with the late dictator's statue. Not sure what the shrine is at right but we're intrigued with the Viagra fruit cake at left.



GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

Degrees. They did seven miles on a very warm day, but the food was fantastic!

■ **PT** (stands for Past Treasurer) **Stephanie Ricardo** recently played hostess to a friend from Vermont. They explored many Bay Area treasures, including the Sebastiani Winery in Sonoma, the Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) in SF and the *Sweetwater* in Mill Valley.

RAFFLE

■ Tough luck, **Heidi**. The red marble stays in the bag!

PROGRAM

■ **Rogér Knoren** and **Claudia Sandoval** told us about *Pachamama Alliance*, which works to empower indigenous people of the Amazon rainforest to preserve their lands and culture and, using insights gained from that work, to educate and inspire individuals everywhere to bring forth a thriving, just and sustainable world. Based in San Francisco, you can learn all about this important organization by checking their website: <http://www.pachamama.org>

NEXT WEEK

October 3 (12:15): Trash talk—a representative from *Zero Waste Marin* will clue us into the goal to eliminate waste by conserving and recovering all resources; local owner of Mill Valley Refuse **Jim Iavarone** will accompany her.

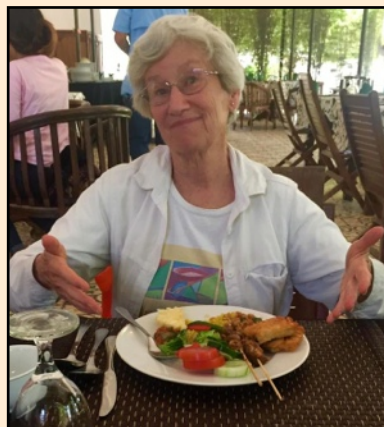
CLUB CALENDAR

September 30: Work Party. Meet at the end of Donahue St. in Marin City at 10:00 a.m. for a



KEEPING TABS ON THE TRAVELERS II: COLIN WONG & JANE HALL

► Thanks to *Facebook*, we have these photos of Mill Valley Rotarians who are visiting and enjoying the culinary arts in different parts of the world.



At top: Colin Wong has a final gelato in Milan before heading home after visiting Switzerland and Italy.

Top right: Past President Jane Hall prepares to enjoy a meal in Indonesia. We haven't heard but hope that Jane has stayed clear of Bali and its volcano.



Bottom right: Jane and a fellow traveler pose at a statue honoring U. S. President Barack Obama in Jakarta, Indonesia.

CLUB CALENDAR

good old-fashioned Broom Pull. Check with **Dennis Klein** for details, or if you have questions.

October 7: Work Day (9:30 to 12) on *Rotary Corner* at Terwilliger Marsh (Mill Valley Community Center). Wear your gloves and bring a pruner.

October 10 (6:15): To Be Announced.

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October 21: Rotary District 5150 Foundation Event at *Madame Tussaud's* in San Francisco. Details on the District website—www.rotary5150.org.

October 24: Dr. Tom Peters will discuss *The Face of Modern Philanthropy in Marin and Beyond*. Dr. Peters is President

and CEO of the Marin Community Foundation (MCF). He will share an insider's view of the billion-dollar philanthropic enterprise based here in Marin County, and how the mission of the MCF is expressed in grants made locally, nationally and internationally. He'll give us a sense of the operational, advisory and decision-making mechanisms that support these distributions.

October 31: John Geoghegan's presentation is entitled *West Coast Sub Attacks During WWII*. The California coast was swarming with Japanese submarines in the weeks immediately following the attack on Pearl Harbor. Between December 10, 1941 and October 1942, nine Japanese submarines sunk a dozen merchant ships between Vancouver and San Diego as well as shelling the

California coast on more than one occasion—episodes little remembered today.

November 7: Members Program.

November 14: Special Evening Fellowship. "*Peruvian Night*." Details to come.

November 21: Dr. Angelo Capozzi, a co-founder of Rotaplast International, will present *Rotaplast International 25 Years Later*. Angelo will share the remarkable story of Rotaplast's 220 missions in 26 countries and 19,000 operations on patients.

HOSPITAL CHART BLOOPERS:
She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life, until she got a divorce.

**2017-2018
POLIO PLUS**

**CLUB GOAL
TBA**

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$1,248.53**

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

**GOAL
\$10,000**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$1,300.00**

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
GIVING**

**2017-2018 GOAL:
TBA**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$2,945.00**

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