



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ **PP Greg Dyer.** His wisdom: The great philosopher **Keith Richards** is quoted: *Everyone hopes to reach old age, but when it comes, most of us complain about it.*

VISITORS

■ *Visiting Rotarians:* **Katie Raphael** (Sausalito); **Jim Wycoff** (Sausalito); **Ed Oviatt** (Napa).
■ *Guests of Rotarians:* **Beverly Sandy** (**Bill Lambrecht**); **Beth "Bets" Hatch** (**Dan Hatch**); **Lisan Campbell** (**Kent Campbell**).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **President Ken** thanked **Cyndi Moore** for organizing the delivery of the dictionaries to Mill Valley 3rd Graders - not always an easy task.
■ Last Saturday Mill Valley celebrated Volunteer Day. Local organizations' shared information and displays. Amongst them was a Rotary Booth.
■ **Joanne Burns** noted that a signup sheet will be available next week for mandatory sign ups for work in this year's Mt. Play booth. The play this year is "West Side Story." The play opens on May 22 and will be performed on May 29, June 5, 11, 12 and 19. Pick the date that suits you best.

■ Also next week challenger **Susan Kirsch** and incumbent County Supervisor **Kate Sears** will join us to participate in a forum conducted by the League of Women Voters. This will give you an opportunity to figure out who you will vote for in June.
■ The Terwilliger Marsh team will meet for its first spring session this Saturday at 9:30 a.m. Everybody

is invited to come on down and pull weeds. Bring your gloves and clippers if you have some.

GOOD TIMES

■ Guest **Katie** from Sausalito noted that she enjoyed talking with other members, as well as attending the District Assembly meetings.



► **Ken, Phil and Tom** man the Rotary booth at last Saturday's Volunteer Day on the square in downtown Mill Valley.

MORE GOOD TIMES

■ **PP Kim Jessup** again suggested a heavy fine for **PP Bob Canepa** due to his sponsorship of such programs as last week's Liars Club. She also proposed that each club member should pay \$5.00 per month for Good Times.

■ **Kent Campbell** (he donated more than Kim's measly \$5.00) enjoyed a great week of skiing in Aspen with lots of sunshine and good snow.

■ **M. A. Cardenas** took her youngster to see the doctor and got the good news that the adenoids don't have to come out after all! That bit of medical news inspired out greeter to announce that he has survived seven colonoscopies, and was told at the last one that he did not have to return for 5 years. Very clearly a reason to celebrate a "good time!"

PROGRAM

■ Today's speaker was **Chris Austria**, a wildlife conservationist living in East Africa. Chris is originally from San Francisco and worked with tigers and lions for many years at Six Flags in Vallejo.

He has conducted numerous film projects with big cats for National Geographic, Discovery Channel,



► Greeter Greg Dyer offers his Thought for the Day.



► Kent with visiting Rotarian Jim Wycoff of Sausalito.

Jack Hanna and Animal Planet. He has also worked as a Tiger Analyst for ABC and has been featured on NightLine, The early show.

At present he works for the Ngamba Island chimpanzee sanctuary in Uganda. It was founded by Dr. Jane Goodall, and is home to 49 orphaned chimpanzees that have been rescued from the illegal wildlife trade.

Without their care it is unlikely for the animals to survive or to be reintroduced to the wild. The island was established in October 1998 and encompasses 100 acres of rainforest. It is situated a short boat ride from Entebbe, near the Equator in Lake Victoria. It provides a rich diversity of wildlife and natural food for the chimpanzees. The sanctuary is open all year round to visitors who pay a nominal entrance fee to view one or both of the chimpanzee feedings. Day and overnight visits are also available in luxury tents.

To learn more visit:
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<http://www.ngambaisland.org/>
[Chris Austria Wildlife And Travel](http://www.safariwest.com/lecture-schedule)
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NEXT WEEK

April 12: Candidate Forum for Supervisor representing District 3.

This district includes Mill Valley, Tam Valley, Sausalito, Marin City, Belvedere, Tiburon and Strawberry. The League of Women Voters will provide a moderator and timekeeper for this event. **Important: Email Program Chair Bob Canepa** (bobca1947@comcast.net) if you intend to attend.

CLUB CALENDAR

April 19: Retired British General **Rod Macdonald** will speak on *Misunderstanding the Middle East*. He will cover the formation of the Middle East from 1914 along with the difference between Middle Eastern and Western societies based on his experiences of more than 14 years working in the region. He believes that not having this knowledge creates misunderstanding which can drive poor decision making both at the political and business level. Prior to this he led British forces in active service in Northern Ireland during multiple tours in the 1970s and later saw combat in the Falklands War.

April 26: Ludo Braja, our club's exchange student at Tam High, will be our speaker. She will be sharing with us her experiences living and studying here.



► Dan has some questions for today's speaker, Chris Austria.

CLUB CALENDAR

May 3: Cooper Quinton will teach us *Cyber Self-Defense for Beginners*. Surfing the web or even just owning a computer might seem like a dangerous proposition. One could have the impression that the internet is teeming with identity thieves, con artists, spies, creeps, and criminals. In this talk Cooper will show you the five simple things that cyber-security professionals do to protect themselves online. Best of all, you can do these things yourself, at home, right now and never again fear your computer.

May 10: Allely Albert is a recently returned Peace Corps Volunteer originally from Mill Valley. She graduated from Willamette University in Salem,

OR, where she studied French and American Studies. Allely was admitted into the Peace Corps and began her service in Cameroon in September 2013. She lived in a remote village in the South West Region of Cameroon in Central Africa for over two years conducting health education. Allely spearheaded a variety of health campaigns while she was there, ranging from nutrition to epilepsy to water sanitation.

May 24: Ann Mahony will present *The Amazing Handkerchief: Chronicler of History, Heroism, Romance, Fashion, and Art through the Ages*. The handkerchief is with us in large and small moments of life – wrapping a child's cut finger, catching a bride's tears of joy, worn over a soldier's heart into battle. Their history dates back to

1000 BC, and they were originally reserved for kings and nobility. **In the month of May, when we honor our servicemen on Memorial Day, we'll view silk handkerchiefs from WWI, handkerchiefs printed with escape maps and tide tables from WWII, and more. Come discover what stories and memories are hidden in the folds of a treasured handkerchief.** Ann Mahony is a historian of vintage artifacts and has a handkerchief collection of 5,000+, including several over a century old.

EGOTIST:

Someone who is usually me-deep in his conversation.

**2015-2016
POLIO PLUS
CLUB GOAL
\$2,000**

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$1,473.00**

**2015-2016
SERVICE FUND
(GEORGE HOYLE)
GOAL
\$10,000**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$6,340.00**

**ROTARY
FOUNDATION
GIVING**

**2015-16 GOAL:
\$14,000**

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:
\$12,850.00**

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