



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ Past President **Doug Scherf** did the glad-handing today. His Thought for the Day: *Remember, you are a perishable item. Live accordingly.*

PRESIDER

■ **President J. R.** at the helm once again.

VISITORS

■ *Guests of Rotarians:* **Jack Creson (Kent Campbell)** attended again. It was noted that he had submitted an application for membership online but no one knows for sure which one of the clubs in the U.S. received it. Sounds like Jack would fit this organization like a velvet glove!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **President J. R.** introduced a “Fellowship Challenge.” He distributed a sheet to members attending which contained all of the names of club members arranged into six groups. The challenge: 1) Choose a team leader; 2) Pick an event; 3) Invite your team; Meet & enjoy. Sounds like a plan!

CELEBRATIONS

■ *Club Anniversary*—A “Standing O” for **Donna D’Acuti** who joined the Rotary Club of Mill

Valley on April 24, 1990. Twenty-eight years to the day, and she loved every minute of it! Well...maybe not every minute but the nurse turned real estate agent turned artist/vocalist sure has been an important contributor to the life of the club. Her patented “birthday song” is worth the price of admission alone. Donna noted that back in 1990 she was only the fifth woman to join the club. Her favorite moment: Stopping with

her mother while hiking on the bike path to rest on a bench built by her and her colleagues at Mill Valley Rotary. She likes the Mt. Play booth, too. Many thanks, Donna, for those 28 years, and for your devotion to the local and worldwide communities.

■ *Birthday*—**Larry Davis** (4/23). Larry requested that new member **Jan Schiff** serenade him with the Birthday Song, which she did in fine fashion.



► Meet our newest member, financial planner **Anthony Trias**, flanked by his sponsor **Bill Lambrecht** and President **J.R.** following an induction ceremony conducted today. Welcome aboard, Anthony!

GOOD TIMES

■ **John Christman** last week forgot to tell us that his girlfriend has joined him in Mill Valley. They've been back-packing up on the Lost Coast and just having a great time.

■ **Burnett's** birthday celebration last weekend was a small family affair—only his kids, his brother and two spouses. They partied at the Tregonings' first BBQ of the season.

■ **PP Kent Campbell** is happy to have **Lisán** back from a trip to Florida where she visited with her father and other relatives. Single-parenting is hard work!

■ **PP Jane Hall** attended last Monday's performance of the Middle School Bluegrass Club at Sweetwater Music Hall. "The kids were great! she enthused.

RAFFLE

■ **John Christman**—End Polio Now pin. Guess **J. R.** ran out of 4-Way Test pins.

PROGRAM

■ Today's program, billed as a Vision Assembly, was a follow up to the session conducted by a District 5150 team on March 13.

With **President J. R.** doing the conducting this time, club

members offered their ideas for the future of the club's operation in a variety of areas, including club attributes, public image, youth service, vocational service, community service, international service and fundraising.

A committee comprised of **J. R.**, President Elect **Bob Roberts** and President Elect **Lee Kirkpatrick**, plus two others, will further refine the work of this and the March session and come up with specific goals.

NEXT WEEK

May 1 (12:15): Beatles expert **Tony Broadbent** will be our speaker. His presentation is titled

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT US

From the *Redwoods Review*, Spring 2018:

❖ The Rotary Club of Mill Valley has been supporting The Redwoods in a variety of ways since the 1970s. Following the death of **George Hoyle**, the beloved Mill Valley pharmacist, Rotarian and resident of The Redwoods, MV Rotary has been contributing a substantial grant each year since 2006 to support resident transportation. George was a major proponent of senior housing in Mill Valley, and in a significant legacy gift to MV Rotary he hoped that his money would be used to support such efforts.

"George was a phenomenal guy, full of goodness and generosity," says **Bob Canepa**, MV Rotary and former Redwoods board member. In the spirit of George, and with Bob's ongoing advocacy, MV Rotary Club has offered much needed sponsorship of our shuttle buses, and also has provided greatly appreciated volunteers for various Redwoods events throughout the years.

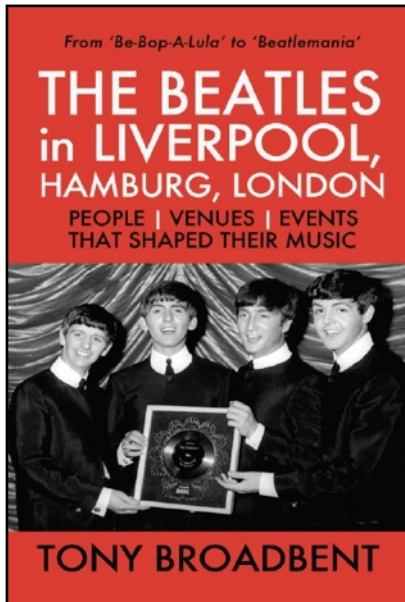
Another Rotary venture is its "Interact Club," which will bring together Tam High students and our Health Care Center residents starting this spring. The program is designed to develop leadership skills in students, while discovering the power of

"Service Above Self." **Emily Uhlhorn**, a Rotary volunteer and advisor to the Interact Club, says, "The students at Tam High came up with the idea to volunteer at the Redwoods. We know that these relationships and interactions leave lasting impressions about caring and being cared for and we are excited for the opportunity."



NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)

The Beatles. Here, There, and Everywhere. Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow. Tony will talk about the early days of The Beatles: From *Be-Bop-A-Lula*



to *Beatlemania*, with reference to the two books he's written about the times. The novel: *The One After 9:09 - A Mystery With A Backbeat*. And the non-fiction book: *The Beatles in Liverpool, Hamburg, London - People, Venues, Events That Shaped Their Music*.

CLUB CALENDAR

May 3: Foundation Dinner. See District website for details.

May 4-6: District Conference. See District website for details.

May 8 (6:15): Social Media Workshop led by Past President **Kent Campbell**.

May 10: Career Day at San Andreas High School in Larkspur.

May 12: Letter Carriers Food Drive.

May 15: Anna Lecat will discuss *Surviving and Thriving from*

WHAT THE 3RD GRADERS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

April 5, 2018

Dear Rotary Club,

Thank you very much for the cool dictionary. It's way more fun than looking words up on a computer. I've been using it every day.

Also if I want to spell a word, I don't have to ask my mom or dad. I can look for it in the dictionary. It is so nice that you give the dictionaries to every third grader in Mill Valley.

Sincerely,
Mia Yolles

Editor's Note: This letter is just one of a 9x12 envelope full of hand written thank you letters recently sent to the club by Mill Valley 3rd Graders. The entire batch will be circulated at next week's meeting.

Ukraine through China to Mill Valley. Anna will share her inspiring story of growing up in a Jewish family in Ukraine at the end of the Cold War and through the decline and fall of the Soviet Union, moving to China, and learning how to do business in China, and finally moving to the United States, establishing two successful businesses here and living with family in Mill Valley. Anna is a repeat entrepreneur, CEO and Founder of Les Lunes, a



men and women's fashion label based in San Francisco, Paris, and Shanghai. Lecat specializes in retail and sustainable manufacturing having previously lived and worked in China for 18 years. She speaks fluent Mandarin and feels at home on the streets of Shanghai, in the mountains of Northern California and exploring the Paris theater district.

May 20, 27, June 3, 9, 10 and 17: Mountain Play.

May 22: Keith Phillips will present *Leaving No One Behind: a Mill Valley Effort to Recover America's War Dead*. There are 83,000 Missing in Action (MIAs) service personnel from World War II, Korea, Vietnam and the Cold



► **New Member Jan Schiff, right, joins Roberta and Bruce at lunch.**

CLUB CALENDAR

War. A Military History buff, Keith first developed an interest in the MIAs when in New Guinea a local tribal chief asked him to bring home some American remains in his village. From that starting point began a sense of mission to re-energize the country's efforts to locate and recover the remains, and through Project Homecoming to assist families in their efforts. During his time with us Keith will speak to the "facts and figures" associated with the missing, speak to their presence in Marin County and worldwide and discuss the combination of science, international goodwill and serendipity that all play a role in return of the missing.

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?

May 29: Film editor and film maker **Tim Amyx** will present *Movies in Marin and San Francisco*. The movie palaces of yesteryear, and the modern movie theaters of Marin. These historical (both old time, and modern) anecdotes will be shared by the former Mill Valley Historical Society President. Movie theaters have often been as important as

schools and churches in the growing and socializing of small towns. Learn about where Mill Valley moviegoers went before not only the Sequoia theater, but also before the Hub. How many movie theaters were there in San Rafael in the 1920s? Remember the two drive-in theaters of Marin? What happened to them? This promises to be a fun session.

**WHY DOES TOILET PAPER
NEED A COMMERCIAL?**



WHO IS NOT BUYING THIS?

2017-2018 POLIO PLUS

CLUB GOAL
\$2,500.00

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$1,850.97

2017-2018 SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

GOAL
\$10,000

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$7,011.20

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2017-2018 GOAL:
\$18,000.00

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$12,145.00

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