



# THE MILL WHEEL



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## GREETER

■ Keep an eye out for this guy on Christmas Eve. Past President **Ken Brooks**, recently returned from the East Coast—at least, we think it was Ken Brooks but maybe not—welcomed members and guests to today’s meeting. His Thought for the Day: *Although this is the Season of Giving, a little Receiving won’t be such a bad thing.* Sounds like Santa to us!

## PRESIDER

■ Sorry, **J. R.**, the pirate joke was a little too convoluted for the note taker. But, PP **Greg Dyer**’s retaliatory “groaner” about Paddy being driven to drink didn’t do much better on the laugh-meter.

## VISITORS

■ **Low Katcher**’s wife **Peggy** accompanied him today. Also on hand to hear the Middle School music program was **Kristy Farnsworth** of KIDDO, guest of **Bill Lampl**.

## CELEBRATIONS

■ *Birthday:* The ageless one—**Santa/Brooks (12/5)**—was serenaded in fine fashion by the club.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **President J. R.** gave **Donna D** a plug—her next gig is scheduled for the Panama Hotel in San Rafael, December 14.



► **Is it? Can it be? Why not? Roberta believes. So do we!**

■ **Roberta Keller** is hoping to see you at the Holiday Luncheon, Tuesday, December 19, at Piazza D’Angelo in downtown Mill Valley. Please let her know that you plan to attend. \$40 per person. **Editor’s Note:** The 19th is **Donna D**’s birthday and, as she so succinctly noted at today’s meeting: “*There are very few shopping days left.*”

■ **PP Kim Jessup** reported that the club will be participating in the REST program again this winter with our first assignment at the Belvedere/Tiburon Community Church on February 1st. We are also scheduled for March 22nd. REST stands for Rotating Emergency Shelter Team and is sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society and Marin faith communities to provide shelter for the homeless. We will be providing the evening meal. Check with Kim or **Dan Hatch** for more details.

## HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

**DECEMBER 19, 2017**

**12 - 1:30 pm**

**PIAZZA D’ANGELO**

**\$40/PERSON**

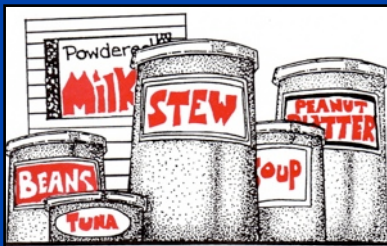
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ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY) NEXT  
WEEK, OR MAIL TO ROBERTA KELLER,  
500 HILLSIDE AVE., MILL VALLEY 94941**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **Lee Kirkpatrick** announced that the club has committed to participating in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area Adopt-A-Battery program. He needs volunteers to assist in painting out graffiti and maintaining the battery we are assigned. Lee will have the details.

■ In response to questions by several members, **Lew Katcher** made a few calls and determined that appreciated securities can indeed be donated to charities. See or call Lew if you have questions.

■ **Burnett** made his weekly appeal for donations to the *Food Bank* barrel and the *Toys for Tots* box. Only two weeks left in the drive! PP **Greg Dyer**—thanks to a text received during lunch from wife **Karyne**—noted that the Mill Valley Police Department has a tree of tags for sponsoring a toy for a specific child. Sponsored by the Salvation Army, information about this “family giving tree” can be found on Nextdoor, MVRP



**ONLY 2 WEEKS TO GO!**  
Don't forget to bring your donations for the **SF-Marin Food Bank & Toys for Tots**.  
Let's fill the containers to the top and over!



► **Donna's** never been shy about tooting her own horn, which apparently she did to great effect at her most recent gig at the Seahorse in Sausalito. No word as to whether the brass will be part of the act at the Panama Hotel on December 14. We suggest you go and see. (Photos by PP Kent Campbell)

Twitter or Facebook pages. Greg reported that there were lots of tags still remaining.

■ **Emily Uhlhorn**, advisor to the Tam High Interact Club, informed the club that her role has expanded to include a new

Interact Club at the Middle School. Tam High has 15 active members; the new Middle School club has 25. Emily reported that the high schoolers, with a bake sale, have raised \$325 for the homeless.

# HELP

## Fill the Empty Plates



### MOST NEEDED FOODS

Tuna  
Peanut Butter

Canned Chili  
Canned Beans

Canned Fruit  
Substantial Soups

Pastas  
Sauces



## GOOD TIMES

■ Congratulations to PP **Susan Royce** who can now fly through the biggest, darkest cloud legally! Sue announced that she has passed all the tests and has qualified for her instrument rating. The MV Rotary Air Brigade just keeps get better and better! She has been so busy studying and training that she has been unable to attend many Rotary meetings in recent months, missing her club anniversary (11/17/09), which she decided to celebrate today. Her favorite MV Rotary moment: serving as our president in 2013-2014—"The best year of my life!"

■ PP **Kent Campbell** had a ball at the White Cross Ball held recently at the St. Regis—"a rocked out black tie/gowns event. Fantastic!"

■ **Keith Papulias** donated a 2-1/2 bell-ringer (\$250) to the Service



► Thank you, KIDDO. Thank you, MV Rotary for your support of KIDDO, and thanks to the musicians from MV Middle School who performed so wonderfully at today's meeting. Top: The Blue Grass Club with music teacher Lori Adessa on the banjo. Below: the Middle School Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Phoebe Dong, puts us in a holiday mood and then some!





## GOOD TIMES

Fund and spiced up the day with a special offer. *See sidebar below.*

■ At the urging of President **J. R.**, who wanted at least one more Good Time before proceeding, PP **Richard Rider** volunteered that he is in good health and enjoying life in Mill Valley. Sounds like a Good Time to us!

## RAFFLE

■ With \$223 on the table, **Dan Hatch** came up with snake-eyes, winning himself a 4-Way Test coin (see next page).

## PROGRAM

■ What a special day! The talented youngsters who form the Mill Valley Middle School Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of **Phoebe Dong**, and the Blue Grass Club, under the leadership of music teacher **Lori Adessa**, put us in a joyous holiday mood. See photos on page 3.

## NEXT WEEK

**December 12 (6:15):** The program this day will deal with the **2018 Tax Update**. Please note: **THIS IS AN EVENING MEETING!**

## CLUB CALENDAR

**December 19 (12:15): Holiday Luncheon at Piazza D'Angelo.** **Roberta** needs an accurate headcount. Sign up soon!

**December 26: No Meeting. Happy Holidays!**

**January 2: No Meeting. Happy New Year!**

**January 9 (6:15).** We start the year off with an evening meeting to which members of the **Tam High Interact Club** have been invited to attend. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn their plans and encourage their work.

**January 16 (12:15):** Our speaker will be **Betsy Koefoed**. Her presentation is entitled "*PRLS &*



► **Carol's caught some of that holiday spirit much to the delight of the Polio Jar.**

*More.* "Wow, there are a lot of acronyms in Rotary. Many of us may have heard about PRLS, yet another Rotary acronym. But what does it mean? Okay, even coming to know that it means Potential Rotary Leaders Seminar one might still wonder what that is all about. We will find that out plus some additional communication and public speaking tips. Betsy will teach us that "It's not what you know that counts – it's what you do with what you know."

**January 23 (12:15): Bob David** will present *Golden Gate Bridge: An Inside View—Art, Architecture & Photography*. Few people have come to know the Golden Gate Bridge, inside and out, as extensively as Bob David. An architect and photographer, he began his career at the Bridge in 1973. For his first 30 years at the Bridge, he served as Design Director for the agency, which includes the operation of the Bridge itself plus the Golden Gate Transit Bus and Ferry system. He and his design team produced all the public information graphics

## KEITH ADDS SOME SEASONING TO THE HOLIDAYS

► Talk about holiday spirit—in addition to contributing \$250 to the club's Service Fund, **Keith Papulias** is handing out free bottles of that world-famous Pappy's Seasoning and offering to donate \$250 to the Service Fund in the name of persons who refer customers to Metropole Mortgage Service. When the loan closes the Service Fund benefits.

The first person whose referral results in a loan will receive a George Hoyle Fellowship. Ask Keith about the details.



## CLUB CALENDAR

and display hardware for the transit system and the bridge. continues working in a semi-retired status, focusing on documentary photography of Bridge projects, such as the still ongoing Seismic Retrofit Project. A student of history, Bob became a Bridge historian and archivist. He will recount his personal journey uncovering various historical, artistic and architectural anecdotes, some gathered first-hand from its creators. In 2012, he helped curate the Bridge's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibit at the California Historical Society. The contribution of this monument to the culture and mystique of America's West cannot be overstated. It is one of the world's most recognized and

### *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?

admired geographic symbols. Bob's blend of stories and images will provide a unique perspective on this celebrated San Francisco landmark.

**January 30 (12:15): Philip Helmich and Emily Hine,** associated with the Shift Network and speakers at the Rotary District 5220 Conference last April, will present *Rotary International: Making Peace a Priority after Polio—Making Communities*

*Safer and More Prosperous.* In the past several decades, the fields of peace and compassion have grown into sophisticated and practical sciences and arts. In this presentation they will discuss the growing trends of peace and compassion from "inner to international" levels. We will learn about the economic impact of lack of peace and the cost-effectiveness of peace building technologies. We will learn how Rotary International is uniquely positioned to help make global advances in peace and compassion while making communities safer and more prosperous.

### HOSPITAL CHART BLOOPERS:

"While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home."

### 2017-2018 POLIO PLUS

CLUB GOAL  
TBA

JAR TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
**\$1,520.53**

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

GOAL  
**\$10,000**

TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
**\$2,044.00**

### ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2017-2018 GOAL:  
**TBA**

TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
**\$4,120.00**

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