



THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

❖ **Robin Keller** subbed for **Emily Uhlhorn**, who was not up to attending today’s meeting. Robin/Emily’s Thought for the Day: *Laugh loudly, laugh often, and most importantly, laugh at yourself.*

CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Birthdays*—**Lisán Campbell** (10/17), **Kim Jessup** (10/10) and **Barbara Hofling** (9/26). Lisán was the only one present and she chose her hubby **Kent** to lead the singing of the Birthday Song. He did a good job, too.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Past President **Ken Brooks** (2015-16) announced that he is involved with this Saturday’s plaque dedication honoring the late **Dick Jessup** (President of Mill Valley Rotary in 2003-04), who was instrumental in the design of the plaza in downtown Mill Valley. The city will be honoring Dick’s contribution to the life of his favorite community with the ceremony at 11 a.m. Ken, who now manages the Depot bookstore, can use help serving coffee and snacks at the event. Give him a call if you can help.

❖ President **Bob** thanked a trio of MV Rotarians—**Howard Harker** and **Lisán** and **Kent Campbell**—

for their work at last Saturday’s Movie Night (See report on P.2).

❖ Foundation Chair **Tom McKlveen**, recently returned from Chicago (See *Good Times*), reminded the club that the District Foundation Raffle has one more week to go. Get your check to Tom soon. You’ll not only support the good work of The Rotary Foundation, you’ll get a chance to win a raffle prize.

GOOD TIMES

❖ **Tom and Nancy McKlveen** have just returned from Chicago where they watched their daughter participate in the Chicago Marathon. A bell-ringer!

❖ Did you know that today is World Spine Day? That was the word from **John Christman**, who commented that today was a super busy day at the office, and if you’d like assistance keeping your back in good shape, you know who to call.

❖ PP **Ed Marshall**’s back is straight as a board from all of those hours lying on the beach at Cabo San Lucas. Way to stay healthy, Ed!

❖ Past President **Kent** and **Lisán** have a new house! They’re moving from California Ave. to Ralston Ave. Another bell-ringer!

❖ It’s been a busy year for **Larry** and **Peggy Davis**—a new

WELCOME, STEVE

▶ **Robin Keller, right, subbing for an ill Emily Uhlhorn, welcomes Steve Miller to today’s meeting. Being enthusiastically greeted as you enter the meeting room is a longtime Mill Valley Rotary tradition that promises to continue for many years to come.**

GOOD TIMES (Cont'd)

grandson, work on the sale of their place in Hawaii, world travels to Switzerland, France and Hawaii, Peggy's 50th high school reunion in Orange County, etc.—all adding up to five (yes, 5!) bell-ringers! Two went to The Rotary Foundation, three to the Mill Valley Rotary Service Fund.

RAFFLE

❖ **Heidi** was back and so was the raffle. **John Christman**, standing straight and tall, couldn't find the red marble, but he did win a DVD of "Hopscotch." President **Bob** reiterated his promise made last week that the club raffle has a new look—if you have the winning ticket you get a prize of some sort.

PROGRAM

❖ **Helen Russell** co-founder and CEO of Equator Coffee and Teas, visited today to tell us the story behind the success of her award winning company.

In 1995, when she and her partner **Brooke McDonnell** started roasting in a garage in Marin County, it marked the beginning of a journey to build a high-impact coffee company focused on quality, sustainability and social responsibility.

While the company's goals have remained the same, with more than 500 wholesale accounts and seven retail cafes, the Equator Coffee team has grown to more than 100 employees.

In 2016, the U.S. Small Business Administration honored

Equator by naming it the "National Small Business of the Year."

Throughout Helen's talk, one of the club's high tech gurus continued to try to link up with a non-existing wi-fi so we could watch an Equator video. Go to equatorcoffees.com where you can watch it and learn more about this amazing Mill Valley business.

NEXT WEEK

October 23 (12:15): Ted Barone will talk about the *Ghosts of the Golden Gate Recreation Area—Then & Now*. The National Parklands of Southern Marin are rich in cultural and natural history. This presentation will match beautiful and fascinating archival photographs of the

Lisán's Popcorn Scores Big with Rotary Movie-Goers

► Thirty or so Rotarians and friends turned out for Movie Night, Saturday, October 13, where they chuckled at the antics of super spy Walter Matthau and enjoyed popcorn, freshly popped and served by Lisán Campbell. The wine, beer and soft drinks served by Lisán's bartending hubby Kent weren't bad either. In the photos below, Phil Richardson loads up (left) while at right Peggy Davis enjoys her pre-movie fare.



NEXT WEEK (Cont'd)

GGNRA, Southern Marin section, with photos from today to tell the agricultural, conservationist, and military stories of our region. Ted Barone is a volunteer photographer with the National Park Service. He will reveal the hidden history of familiar locations.

CLUB CALENDAR

October 18 (4-7 p.m.): Scout Hall Dedication Celebration.

The major renovation is complete and will be marked by ceremonies open to the public. As a sponsor of Scouting in Mill Valley, members of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley are invited to attend the celebration.

October 30 (12:15): Filmmaker and author **Fred Runner** has an exciting message: *The Last Steam Engine of Mt. Tamalpais is Coming Home*. From 1896 to 1929, people came from all over the world to ride the train up Mt. Tamalpais to see the unrivaled sights, enjoy a fine meal and appreciate the beginnings of environmentalism. It was a successful business that boasted that guests could see more of California in a day and at less cost per mile than any other way. In 1930 the railroad was scrapped. The only piece that survives is engine number 9. Last March a local group won the 97 year old engine in an auction and is working to bring it back to Marin. This is the story of the railroad and No. 9. Don't miss it!



November 6 (12:15): National Geographic photographer **Gordon Wiltsie** will show us a few highlights from his long career documenting the landscapes and peoples he has

encountered en route to some of the wildest and remotest places on earth, including many of the world's highest mountain ranges and both geographic Poles. These travels have given him a

COFFEE, NO RED MARBLE AND A SUNSET



► **Top left:** Today's speaker Helen Russell of Equator Coffee poses with President Bob. **Top right:** John Christman, standing straight as a rod, can't find the red marble so gets a DVD of *Hopscotch* instead. **Below:** Past President Greg Dyer sends us a selfie of a spectacular Hawaiian sunset.



CLUB CALENDAR

deep appreciation for the richness and diversity of life found on our spectacular planet and he will point out a few important things he has learned along the way.

November 13 (12:15): **Cyrus Farivar's** presentation is entitled *Habeas Data: Privacy vs. The Rise of Surveillance Tech*. Cyrus is an award-winning Senior Tech Policy Reporter at Ars Technica, author and radio producer. He will discuss his latest book *Habeas Data* which shows how the explosive growth of surveillance technology has outpaced our understanding of the ethics, mores, and laws of privacy. He makes the case by taking 10 historic court decisions

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?

that defined our privacy rights and matching them against the capabilities of modern technology. It's an approach that combines the charge of a legal thriller with the shock of the daily headlines.

November 20 (12:15): Travel journalists **Kimberley Lovato** and **Jill Robinson** will tell us about *100 Things to Do in San Francisco Before You Die*—also the title of their book.



Did you hear about the crossed-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

POLIO PLUS

2018/2019 GOAL:

\$1,000

JAR TOTAL AS OF TODAY:

\$286.00

SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

2018-2019 GOAL:

\$10,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY:

\$1,975.00

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2018-2019 GOAL:

\$11,000

TOTAL AS OF TODAY:

\$2,175.00

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