

THE MILL WHEEL



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GREETER

■ Past President **Pieter Bogaards** did the honors this evening. He offered this Thought for the Day: *Let us learn to show our friendship for a man when he is alive and not after he is dead. After that my own rule is to let everything alone—Meyer Wolfsheim*, a character in *The*

Great Gatsby written by **F. Scott Fitzgerald**.

PRESIDER

■ **President J. R.**, up to his old tricks, told the story of little eight-year-old **Nancy** who was in the garden filling in a hole when her neighbor peered over the fence. Interested in what the youngster

was doing, he asked: “What are you doing there, Nancy?”

“My favorite sweet little goldfish died,” Nancy sobbed. “And I’ve just buried him in this hole.”

The obnoxious neighbor laughed and said, quite condescendingly:

“That’s a really big hole for a little goldfish, don’t you think?”

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PRESIDER (Cont'd)

Nancy patted down the last heap of earth with her shovel and replied: "That's because he's inside your cat."

VISITORS

■ **Anthony Trias (Bill Lambrecht)** joined us for the third time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ Youth Director **Doug Scherf** provided details of the Career Day to be held at San Andreas High School—the alternative school in Larkspur—on May 10. Several of our members are participating. The club is helping to plan the event and will provide lunch for presenters and the 50 students expected to attend.

TRAIN GOOD TIMES

■ The BIG club event this month was the round-trip train ride to Santa Barbara, Saturday and Sunday, April 7-8. The ride to Santa Barbara coupled to Amtrak's Seattle to Los Angeles *Coast Starlight* was a thrill, but to do it in a vintage rail car owned by our own **Dick Spotswood** and his partners was truly special.

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Members making the trip included **J. R. and Laddia Hastings, Jane Hightower** and hubby **Richard Rider, Doug and Linda Scherf, Martha and Peter Mason, Lisán and Kent**

Campbell, Ed Marshall, Steve Miller, Lee Kirkpatrick, Bob and Betty Roberts and, of course, the host of this special event, **Dick Spotswood**.

Others making the trip included **Scott and Leha Shuttleworth**, friends of the **Campbells**, and Rotarian **Lou Bartolini** (District

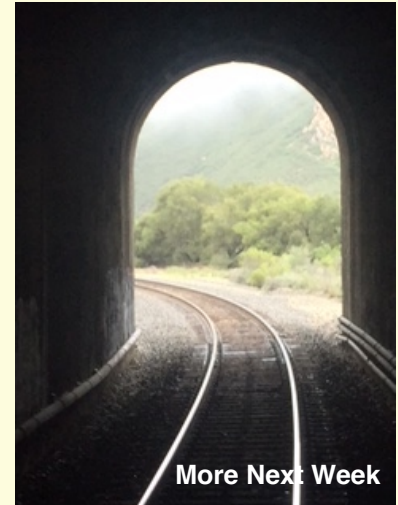
Governor in 1996-97) and his wife **Marge**, friends of **Dick's**.

We'll let the pictures tell most of the story, but we do have several comments by the travelers, some made at tonight's meeting, that may be of interest:

■ Trip organizer **Bob Roberts**:
The food and libations were

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More Next Week

TRAIN GOOD TIMES

outstanding. We had a lovely breakfast and two separate seatings for lunch. The cocktail hour, during a segment along the ocean prior to arrival in Santa Barbara was a wondrous conclusion to a lovely ride.

■ **Richard Rider:** A lovely ride. The food and service was superb. I was surprised, however, at the amount of graffiti seen along the way, and also the number of homeless encampments we passed. We enjoyed our stay in Santa Barbara by attending a craft fair.

■ **Ed Marshall:** During the trip everybody was in a good mood, having a great time. A bell-ringer for the Foundation!

■ **Peter Mason:** It was a bell-ringer for me and **Martha** too! Especially for Martha who has been walking in pain ever since her accident. She had a great time the entire trip. The trip back (on Sunday) was even better than the trip down, with lamb chops and mint jelly for lunch. Can't beat that!

PROGRAM

■ Artistic Director of the Marin Shakespeare Co., **Bob Currier**, detailed the company's history while telling us about the playwright who made it all possible. Since we are running short on space, we invite you to check their website:

www.marinShakespeare.org where you can learn about them and upcoming performances.

NEXT WEEK

April 17: Roberto Calandro will speak on *Robotics*. He is a postdoctoral scholar at UC Berkeley in the Berkeley



► **Marin Shakespeare Co's Artistic Director Bob Currier enthusiastically shares his love for the works of the Bard.**

Artificial Intelligence Research Laboratory.

CLUB CALENDAR

April 21: Spring spruce up at *Rotary Corner* down at Terwilliger Marsh in front of the Mill Valley Community Center. Work starts at 9:30 and ends at noon. Wear your gloves and bring your clippers. Coffee and assorted "goodies" at break time!

April 24 (12:15): Club "Vision" Assembly. Want to have a say about the future of the Rotary Club of Mill Valley? Be sure to attend this important session.

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



► **Ready for dessert?** These Mill Valley Scouts, shown at the Pack 34 Blue and Gold Dinner earlier this month, certainly are. This photo was snapped by PP Kent Campbell who serves as our Charter Organization representative to Pack 34 and Troop 1. Kent was a dessert judge at the dinner. What a job, but someone has to do it!

CLUB CALENDAR

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.*

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

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 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 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?

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 traversing the theater district in Paris. Her insatiable enthusiasm for championing artisanship, quality, and ethical manufacturing is well known in the business world.



HOSPITAL BLOOPERS

The skin was moist and dry.

2017-2018 POLIO PLUS

CLUB GOAL
\$2,500.00

**JAR TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$1,828.95

2017-2018 SERVICE FUND (GEORGE HOYLE)

GOAL
\$10,000

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$6,911.20

ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING

2017-2018 GOAL:
\$18,000.00

**TOTAL
AS OF TODAY:**
\$11,820.00

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