



# THE MILL WHEEL



Rotary Club of Mill Valley  
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## TIMELY THOUGHTS

❖ Today's Greeter was PP **Richard Rider** who could not be available at the start of the meeting. He did, however, provide two Timely Thoughts:  
 ❖ "If facts don't fit the theory, change the facts"—**Albert Einstein**.  
 ❖ "Get at least eight hours of beauty sleep. Nine if you're ugly."—**Betty White**.

## PRESIDER

❖ The Rotary bell was the subject again of tension-filled scrutiny when President **Carl Lippenberger** raised his virtual gavel and gave it a whack. Must



## 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?

report that the result was not quite up to last meeting's. Could it be that the bell is getting tired?

## JOKES OF THE DAY

❖ Club Jokester PP **Kent Campbell** laid it on pretty thick today. Which one of the five tickles you the most?  
 ❖ *A soldier survived mustard gas in battle, and then pepper spray*

*by the police. He's now a seasoned veteran.*

❖ *Apparently, someone in London gets stabbed every 52 seconds..... Poor bastard.*

❖ *I told my doctor that I broke my arm in two places. He told me to stop going to those places.*

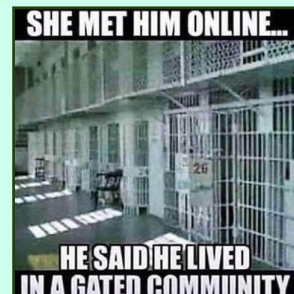
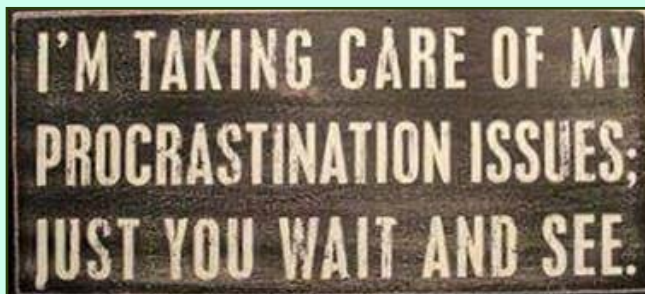
❖ *If life gives you melons, you're probably dyslexic.*

❖ *Say what you want about President Carl, he has the heart of a lion... and a lifetime ban from the zoo.*

## VISITORS

❖ Was great to see Honorary Member PP **Chuck Waldron** visiting today. Chuck was longtime member of MV Rotary, serving as president, treasurer and secretary before moving to North Carolina. He currently is a member in Chapel Hill and was due to join their virtual meeting immediately following ours.

## MORE COVID-19 INSPIRED HUMOR SUBMITTED BY READERS



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ PE **Lisán Campbell** is looking forward to participating in this year's virtual PETS (President Elect Training Seminar) scheduled for this coming weekend. After completing that training, she'll be "officially" ready to assume the helm at MV Rotary on July 1.

❖ Lisán also announced that Rotary International has notified the club that it is qualified to accept DDF (District Designated Funds).

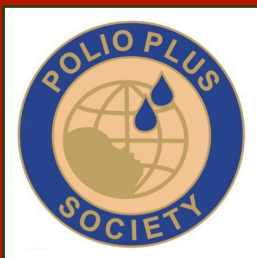
## CELEBRATIONS

❖ *Club Anniversaries*—Those present at today's session who celebrated March anniversaries included **Howard Harker** (3/12/02); **Phil Richardson**

(3/18/08; and **Tom McKlveen** (3/18/14). Howard's sponsor was the late **Dale Luerhing**. **Phil** could not recall his sponsor (*Clue: It was your Managing Editor, but no wonder Phil does not remember. I was contacted by a mutual acquaintance (name long forgotten) who asked if I would sponsor Phil, and I agreed. Glad I did!*). Tom was sponsored by Howard. Their favorite MV Rotary Moments: Howard—hosting two Russian Architects during a club exchange program; Phil—getting together weekly for lunch and a program; Tom—ditto Phil.

## GETTING TOGETHER?

❖ As a result of Phil's and Tom's remarks, a general discussion ensued regarding the chances of the club resuming in-person luncheon meetings any time soon. PE **Lisán Campbell** reminded the club about the availability of open air facilities at the San Rafael Elks Club. With virus vaccinations being ramped up and the pandemic numbers looking better, meeting at the Elks Club could be a possibility. Lisán said it could be discussed at the next board meeting.



### PolioPlus Society MV Membership Roster

**Lisán Campbell**  
**Greg Dyer**  
**Ray Palmarini**  
**Phil Richardson**  
**Dick Spotswood**  
**Elizabeth Suzuki**  
**Burnett Tregoning**

**Rotary**  
District 5150



# VIRTUAL DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

March 20, 2021

**10:00 AM to 12:30 PM:**  
Learning and Leadership Sessions

**4:00 PM to 6:00 PM:**  
Assembly Celebration



**Keynote Speaker**  
**Ian Riseley**  
Past Rotary International President

- Strengthen leadership skillsets
- Celebrate our incoming club presidents
- Learn more about different programs of Rotary
- Share new ideas and best practices
- Meet members from other Rotary clubs

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## GEORGE HOYLE

❖ Congratulations to PP (Twice!) **Ed Marshall** who received his fifth George Hoyle certificate during a presentation by Service Fund President **Lew Katcher**.

## ROTARY TABLE CHATS

❖ Save the date: Another round of Club Table Chats is scheduled for next Tuesday, March 9, 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. If you haven't already, you'll soon be hearing from your moderator. Have fun!

## PROGRAM

❖ Another fascinating journey into the past as Historian **John Freeman** provided an account of the arrival and celebration in the Bay Area of Teddy Roosevelt's Great White Fleet.

The fleet left Hampton Roads, Virginia in December 1907 and traveled around South America, and into the Pacific Ocean. In each of the ports it stopped along our coast, the fleet—carrying 7,000 sailors—was hosted and toasted with an exuberant show of patriotism and pride, culminating with the fleet



entering the Golden Gate on May 6, 1908, where an estimated crowd of a million people thronged to get a look at the 16 battleships.

The San Francisco Bay Area hosted one of the finest receptions our navy has ever seen with spectacular parades, grand balls, banquets, and lots of exciting activities, including a trip up Mt. Tam on the Crookedest Railway, for all the sailors. The visit of the fleet was the first major public celebration of San Francisco's recovery from the earthquake and fire.



## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

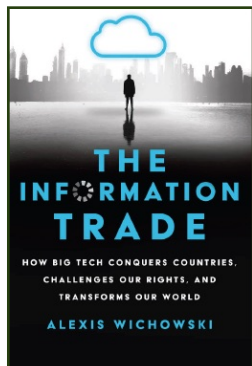
Carol Schrumpf 3/1/11  
Rita Sedano-Garcia 3/2/20  
Howard Harker 3/12/02  
Raymond Palmarini 3/15/11  
E. Vincent Howes 3/18/86  
Phil Richardson 3/18/08  
Thomas McKlveen 3/18/14  
John Christman 3/20/18

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

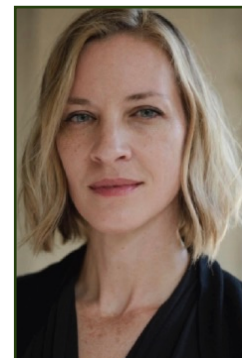
Carol Schrumpf 3/7  
Bill Lampl 3/21  
Richard D. Spotswood 3/25



## NEXT: "THE CHALLENGE OF THE INFORMATION TRADE"



◆ March 16: Technology expert Alexis Wichowski will present *The Information Trade: How Big Tech Challenges the Nation State*. In this provocative presentation about our new tech-based reality, Alexis Wichowski considers the unchecked rise of tech giants like Facebook, Google, Amazon, Apple, Microsoft, and Tesla—what she calls “net states”—and their unavoidable influence in our lives. Rivaling nation states in power and capital, today’s net states are reaching into our physical world, inserting digital services into our lived environments in ways both unseen and, at times, unknown to us. They are transforming the way the world works, putting our rights up for grabs, from personal privacy to national security.



Alexis Wichowski

★ If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"

**PolioPlus  
Society**

**2020–2021**

**TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
\$700.00**

**POLIO JAR**

**2020–2021**

**GOAL:  
\$1,000**

**TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
\$150.00**

**SERVICE FUND  
(GEORGE HOYLE)**

**2020-2021**

**GOAL:  
\$10,000**

**TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
\$2,527.00**

**ROTARY  
FOUNDATION**

**2020-2021**

**GOAL:  
\$7,000**

**TOTAL  
AS OF TODAY:  
\$4,390.00**

### ROTARY CLUB OF MILL VALLEY—OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2020-2021

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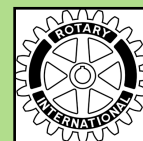
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