



Listening In

July 17, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Our greeter today was **MaryAnn Ellison**. Our Sargeant in Arms was the team of Margaret Deedy, Gary Carter and Meredith Griffin

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 by President Fran White.

PLEDGE AND THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

From **MaryAnn Ellison**. " *Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts. There is something infinitely healing in the repeated refrains of nature – the assurance that dawn comes after night, and spring after winter*"

RACHEL CARSON
Silent Spring

ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Feldman thanked the group and made a donation for the kindness shown to his daughter **Emily Marie** at the ice cream booth at the Marin Fair.

The board awarded the *Rotarian of the Month* to two individuals who showed true dedication to the 4-Way test with their service to the club: **Tom Whelan** and **Dan Walker**

A new member, **Phaedra Strecher**, will be inducted on July 31st. All members invited to welcome Phaedra to the club.

Oak Dowling asked that we all remember the 73rd commemoration of the Port Chicago Explosion which took the lives of 332 people, mostly African American men who had not been trained in handling munitions. When the surviving men were re-assigned to Mare Island and ordered to load more munitions, they refused and 50 were court martialed. There is now a national memorial to the victims at the site.

MARBLE GAME

There was \$810 in the pot with **Mac Cranford** drawing the winning ticket but not the white ball. He received a nice bottle of wine compliments of Joe Shekou.



PROGRAM SPEAKER

Today's speaker was **Tom Peters**, Executive Director of the *Marin Community Fund*. After a show of hands asking if anyone in the room did not know Tom, and with no one raising their hand...Tom gave true meaning to the phrase "Needing no introduction."

HIGHLIGHTS FROM HIS TALK:

In the early days of Tom's career, he was often mistaken for another Tom Peters who was a well known business leader and author. A confused public would often call business leader Tom and ask about needle exchange while Dr. Tom fielded calls asking him about his planning for his European book tour.

Tom has been at the helm of the *Marin Community Foundation* for 30 years. The foundation relies on the generosity of about 400 families, mostly in Marin to manage their philanthropy, working with each family to understand how they would like to direct their gifts in a way that resonates with their own interests.

The Foundation manages about 1.6 billion dollars with over 100 million distributed per year. The categories of giving generally fall into investments in education, like preschool and college prep for lower income families, biomedical research at the *Buck Foundation* which employs 230 principal researchers working on the conditions and issues of aging (*Hurry Up*), Aging services (*WhistleStop*) healthcare (community clinics) environment (*California Coastal Conservation's* work on sea level rise), affordable housing (*Habitat for Humanity*), workforce training (Marin City's coding classes which prepare students for careers in high tech) safety net services for emergencies with at risk families.

Recommended reading to understand our community was made by **Otis Bruce**. *The Portrait of Marin*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 24, 2017: Tod Brody – The Marin Symphony. New season and a musical performance

July 31, 2017: Dante Callegari, Director, San Quentin State Prison Inmate Construction Training Program

August 7, 2017:
Nina Gardner & Jonathan Leidy, Board Members, 100Marin

August 14, 2017:
Ruth Ellen Kahn, Executive Director, Musica Marin

August 21, 2017:
Erma Murphy, Executive Director, O'Hanlon Center for the Arts

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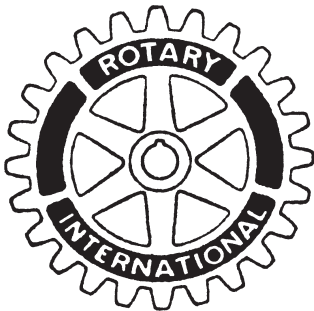
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Marin Meeting Places

All meetings are 12:15pm unless otherwise noted



San Rafael	Monday	Marin Yacht Club, San Rafael, 12:15 pm
Central Marin	Monday	Left Bank
Novato Sunrise	Tuesday	Moylan's Brewery Restaurant, 7:15 am
Mill Valley	Tuesday	Muni Golf Club House on Buena Vista
San Rafael Harbor	Tuesday	Whistlestop, 8:00 am
Terra Linda	Tuesday	Embassy Suites
Marin Evening	Tuesday	The Club at McInnis Park, 6:30 pm
Marin Sunrise	Wednesday	Best Western in Corte Madera, 7:15 am
Ross Valley	Wednesday	Café Arrivederci, 11 G Street San Rafael, CA
Tiburon/Belvedere	Wednesday	San Francisco Yacht Club
West Marin	Wednesday	U.S. Marine Coast Guard Station, Commodore Webster Dr., Pt. Reyes Station - 482-3121, 8:00 am
Ignacio	Thursday	Inn Marin
Mission San Rafael	Thursday	San Rafael Joe's
Sausalito	Thursday	Sausalito Yacht Club
Tiburon Sunset	Thursday	San Francisco Yacht Club, 6:15 pm
Novato	Friday	Margaret Todd Senior Center

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