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Speakers

April 13, 2022

[Team Berkelium](#)

Berkeley High School's Robotics Team will present their work

April 20, 2022

[Natalia Neira Retamal](#),
[Executive Director of La Pena Cultural Center](#)

La Pena Cultural Center

April 27, 2022

[Florida State Senator Dwight M. Bullard](#)

"DEMOCRACY AT A CROSSROADS: WHICH PATH WILL YOU CHOOSE?"

Events

April 14th

[Supportive Housing Toiletries Packing Day](#)

April 29th

[Mariott Hotel Tour](#)

Birthdays

[Marcia K Dillon](#)

April 13th

[George Luna](#)

April 20th

[Kenneth Renworth](#)

April 20th

[David Hugh Malcolm](#)

April 21st

[Morton H. Orenstein](#)

April 22nd

[Douglas Fielding](#)

April 23rd

[Mac Lingo](#)

April 24th

[Phillip R. Henry](#)

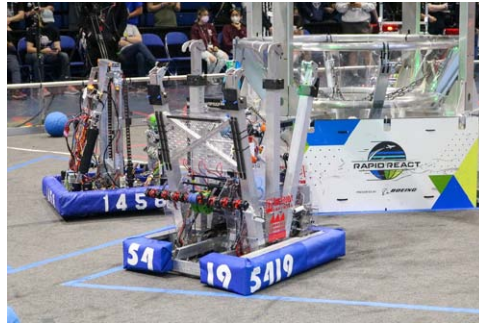
April 28th

[John Caner](#)

April 30th

Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo



November, so we'll be able to see an in-person demonstration, as well as via Zoom. The speakers are provided by Team #4, the Katherine Johnson Team; Rick Betts and Bobby Gullett, Captains.

Next Meeting. Wednesday, April 13, 12:30 PM PT, **in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom:** Members of Team Berkelium, the Robotics Team from Berkeley High (<https://team5419.org/>), will tell their story and share their passion for building robots. They started in a borrowed basement in 2015 and have progressed to a well-appointed shop at Berkeley High, where they've built competition-winning robots. They will bring their robot to this, our club's first in-person meeting since

Learn About Health Needs in Berkeley. The Health and Wellness Committee is meeting with City of Berkeley Health Department staff on Wednesday, April 13, 10:30 AM PT, via Zoom. This meeting is to learn about health priorities in our community, as well as partnering possibilities for a health-related project. If interested, email O'Neil Dillon (oneildillon@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

Caring for Our Members. If you learn that a club member is ill, please let AG Beth Roessner (BethRoessner@gmail.com) and Fred Collignon (fcollig@berkeley.edu) know.

Rotary Responds. Even amidst the turmoil of war, Rotary members in Ukraine continue to demonstrate resilience and an unwavering commitment to peace. Learn about Rotary's journey in Ukraine over the past decade: <https://bit.ly/3v3R551>

We Are Back!

By Arlene Marcus

Berkeley Rotary will be restarting hybrid meetings at the First Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, April 13.

- The Church is now open.
- Parking is available. A Berkeley Rotary Club member will be handing out the new parking passes as you drive in.
- Proof of vaccination is required the first time you attend and will be checked in the lobby. Guests are required to show proof of vaccination each time.
- The Church is requiring you to make out a brief form stating you have no Covid symptoms. This can be found [HERE](#) or on the club [website](#) or at



[Pamela M. Doolan](#)

May 3rd

[John J. Torpey](#)

May 8th

[Adrian Vancamper](#)

May 10th

[Jacqueline Peters Hammond](#)

May 10th

[Monica Marie Fox](#)

May 11th

the Church.

- The Church is not requiring masks, so we leave it up to you to decide what to do. We encourage you to take all the precautions that make you feel comfortable.

A free deli lunch will be provided to everyone who responded by April 8, but everyone is welcome to attend this in-person hybrid meeting even if you haven't ordered a sandwich. Please come anyway. If there are sandwiches left over, please help yourself. There is a \$10 cover charge, as usual, to cover the room rental.

See you Wednesday!

Congratulations, Tina!

By Arlene Marcus

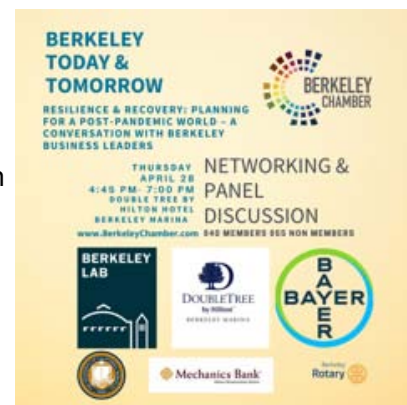


At Governor Kathy Suvia's presentation on March 30, she awarded Tina Etcheverry the Back to the Future Award, bestowed on those Rotarians who help their clubs hold on to their traditions while adapting to the future. Tina has led many of the clubs' activities, but she was way ahead of the game when she started the Covid Interest Group (CIG) right as the pandemic started. CIG has now evolved into the Health and Wellness Committee, which may become a districtwide effort. Congratulations, Tina!

Berkeley Chamber Cordially Invites You To Berkeley Today & Tomorrow 2022!

By Elizabeth Roessner

This annual event brings businesses together to share success stories, advocate for the best of Berkeley, and connect the entire business community together in one place. Live for the first time since 2019, this year's theme is "Resilience & Recovery: Planning for a Post-Pandemic World." This networking and panel discussion event is not to be missed. Since Berkeley Rotary is a Chamber member (as well as an event sponsor!), you have access to reduced-price tickets for \$40. Advanced registration is required, so don't wait. Contact AG Beth Roessner (BethRoessner@gmail.com) if you'd like to purchase a ticket.



What: Berkeley Today & Tomorrow

When: Thursday, April 28, 4:45-7 PM

Where: DoubleTree by Hilton, Berkeley Marina

4:45-5:45 PM: Enjoy a networking hour on the hotel's expansive outdoor patio overlooking the bay. Connect and catch up with old friends, city leaders, business associates, and colleagues over passed hors d'oeuvres and one complimentary beverage.

6-7 PM: Join us as we move to the indoor portion of the event, featuring opening remarks by Mayor Arreguin, followed by a panel discussion featuring:

Moderator:

Ruben Lizardo, Director of Community & Local Government Relations at UC Berkeley

Panelists:

Susie Medak, Managing Director of Berkeley Repertory Theatre; Lisa Miller, Co-Owner of Kitchen on Fire; Drew Johnston, VP Engineering at Bayer Life Sciences; Michael Brandt, Deputy Laboratory Director for Operations and Chief Operating Officer, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

We look forward to seeing you there! More details are available at www.BerkeleyChamber.com

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion—DEI—Can Enhance the Rotary Experience

By Joan Collignon



As we prepare to welcome members and guests back to in-person hybrid meetings, it was good to be reminded at last Wednesday's meeting just how important it is that we include everyone in our community in that welcome.

Heather Vilhauer serves on the District 5160 DEI Committee, traveling to clubs from Berkeley to Weed promoting the importance of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in their clubs. The District has made DEI a priority, and RI President Jennifer Jones urges us to

make these principles an essential part of the Rotary experience.

Diversity: Rotary welcomes people of all backgrounds, cultures, experiences, and identities. We should remember to think not just of gender and race, but of the full diversity of our community: language, previous Rotary experiences, age, vocation, family structure . . . How do we make everyone feel comfortable?

Equity: Everyone needs to be treated fairly but we have to look at equal access too. Does everyone have equal opportunities for advancement in Rotary? Does our use of technology or the social circles we draw from limit our participation?

Inclusion: Does our club promote a sense of inclusion in everyone? We need to create experiences where all people feel welcomed and valued. Who do we invite into leadership roles? Think about how we welcome strangers to our meetings. Do we go out of our way to reach out, walk them to a table, introduce them around? We can practice this as we return to meeting in person!

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