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## Speakers

**April 26, 2023**

[Parisa Vatanka, PharmD, Co-founder of Digital.Health](#)  
"Digital Health Care Anytime, Anywhere"

**May 03, 2023**

[Graham Morehead, Computer Scientist, Adjunct Professor at Gonzaga University](#)  
"The Shape of Thought"

**May 17, 2023**

[Terry Shames, Mystery Writer and Author of the Samuel Craddock Series](#)  
"Guilt Strikes at Granger's Store (and Other Stories)"

## Events

April 26th  
[Civil Discourse Meeting via Zoom](#)

April 29th  
[Rotary Visibility Day: Tour the Skyline Gardens](#)

May 3rd  
[Supportive Housing Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

May 4th  
[Membership Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

May 10th  
[Communication Committee Meets via Zoom](#)

May 13th  
[Bocce Challenge](#)

May 16th  
[Tour of Guide Dogs for the Blind](#)

May 17th  
[Meetings of the Boards \(Club and Endowment\) via Zoom](#)

May 19th

## Club Announcements

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, Apr. 26, 12:30 PM PT, in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom: **"Digital Health Care Anytime, Anywhere"** will be presented by Parisa Vatanka, PharmD, the Co-founder of Digital.Health and an Assistant Clinical Professor at UCSF. As a society, we have become accustomed to ready access, convenience, and customization. Why should health care be any different? There has been an explosion of digital products and solutions from apps to fitness trackers to wearables and sensor-enabled therapy. These technologies enable individuals to have real-time access to their data and connect them with their health care team before symptoms progress. Join us to learn more about this exciting era of in-person and virtual care. The speaker is provided by Team #6, the BAMPFA Team; Chris Ahoy and Manjul Batra, Captains.



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**For All You Zoom Folks.** Please don't forget to send in your \$10 Zoom Participation Fee. Here's a handy QR code; you can simply pay via VENMO. You'll also find the code on a slide before the meeting and in chat on Wednesday. (You can also send a check to Berkeley Rotary Club, 2342 Shattuck Ave., #101, Berkeley 94704.) Thanks!

3:30 PM PT. **The topic is "Free Speech: University Campuses, Twitter, and Laptops."** Contact Dan Thomas ([dthomas@tc-associates.com](mailto:dthomas@tc-associates.com)) for the Zoom link.

**Save the Date.** On Jul. 8, District 5160 will hold the Awards & Installation Banquet at The Elks Tower in Sacramento. Gather with fellow Rotarians to honor the stories of our clubs, our members, and those whose lives are just a little bit better because of what we do together. Register (or send regrets) now via the personalized registration link that DG Suzanne Bragdon emailed to you on Apr. 6.



## Rotary Visibility Day: Skyline Gardens Tour

Bob Sorenson will be showing off Skyline Gardens to the whole district—and beyond!—on April 29 at 9:00 AM. It's Rotary Visibility

## [The San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers](#)

### Birthdays

[John Caner](#)

April 30th

[David A Wilson Jr.](#)

May 2nd

[Pamela M. Doolan](#)

May 3rd

[John J. Torpey](#)

May 8th

[Jacqueline Peters Hammond](#)

May 10th

[Adrian Vancamper](#)

May 10th

[Amit S Randhawa](#)

May 11th

[Dylan Supencheck](#)

May 14th

[Kenneth N. Matsumura](#)

May 15th

[Anne Pardee](#)

May 24th



Day, when people will gather all over District 5160 to see Rotary in action.

Join us at 9:00 at the Scotts Peak Trail Head on Grizzly Peak Blvd. in Tilden Park.

## Time to Make History in the Worldwide Effort to End Polio

By Frederick C. Collignon

World Immunization Week is the last week of April, and this is the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the discovery of the polio vaccine. District PolioPlus leader Mike Crosby and his team have recently provided updates on Rotary's war against polio. The successes have been dramatic this year, as noted below. We encourage all new club members and those club veterans who haven't yet become PolioPlus Warriors to join now.



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## Board Bullets from the April 19 Meetings

By Joan Collignon

### Berkeley Rotary Club

- The Board voted to increase dues for 2023-2024 by approximately 10%. Yearly dues will rise from \$270 to \$300 per member, and from \$150 to \$175 for Senior Inactive.
- With the increase in the lunch fee over the last month and some cost reductions, the club's financial situation is more stable. Still an issue is the non-payment by some regular Zoom attendees of the \$10 per meeting Zoom Participation fee. We will display a slide before the meeting with the QR code for Venmo and paste it into Zoom chat.
- A proposal to establish a Site Search Committee was put on hold.
- A New Board Members Orientation will be held on Zoom the last week of June. Veteran members of the Board may also attend this "refresher course" in Berkeley Rotary Board policy. This year the invitation will be extended to any club member who would like more "inside information" about how the boards—Club and Endowment—function.

### Berkeley Rotary Endowment

- The Lillia Bartlow Scholarship Fund is over \$3000. The funds have been dispersed, and scholarships will be awarded to Berkeley High students at a ceremony in May.
- The Board approved two new partner grant requests: from the Rotary Club of Alamo for Transitional Care Clinics at RotaCare Clinics, and from the Richmond Rotary Club for a project in Uganda.

Those members who wish to see the full Board minutes may contact Grier Graff at [gg@graffarchitects.com](mailto:gg@graffarchitects.com).

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## Space: The Ultimate Innovation Lab

By Jason Aupperle Russell



Our guest speaker last Wednesday was Laura Anne Edwards. As a NASA Datanaut, Laura is passionate about universally accessible technology, information, and resources. She has alternated work at the highest levels in clean tech and media and consults with accelerators all over the world.

Laura gave a very stimulating presentation, "Space as the Ultimate Innovation Lab." She prefaced her presentation by sharing the fact that within the next 30 years "near space," being the distance between Earth and Mars, will become more and more accessible to us earthlings.

Laura noted that space is the active playground for prototyping things that can be useful sooner rather than later. She emphasized this by highlighting that over half of everything we wear, touch, or use today had their development in some way under the umbrella of space exploration.

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