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## Speakers

**May 18, 2022**

[Nicky Lindquist](#)

"Oasis for Haiti's Children: A Photographic Journal"

**May 25, 2022**

[Pate Thomson, Grier Graff, and Amit Randhawa](#)

"RotaCare Richmond Free Medical Clinic: Nine Years and One Pandemic Later!"

**June 01, 2022**

[Berkeley City Councilmember and Berkeley Rotarian Kate Harrison](#)

"Addressing Equity and Climate Together"

**June 08, 2022**

[Dr. Ken Brummel-Smith of the Mt Shasta Rotary Club](#)

**June 15, 2022**

[Jason Draut](#)

"Running the Boston Marathon"

## Events

May 18th

[Mini-Toiletries Packing](#)

May 20th

[San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers!](#)

May 21st

[Salsa Festival](#)

June 1st

[Civil Discourse on Zoom](#)

June 9th

[Supportive Housing Toiletries Packing Day](#)

## Birthdays

[Anne Pardee](#)

May 24th

[Rebecca Phuong](#)

May 26th

[Christopher K. Ahoy](#)

## Join Us for Lunch!

By Arlene Marcus

The Table Catering will offer a savory lunch on Wednesday, May 18: Summer Squash Ribbon Salad, Tuscan Bean Soup, and fresh, homemade bread. The cover charge for the room rent is \$10 per person and the optional lunch is an additional \$10, with no partial meals. We need at least 25 attendees to purchase lunch to make this financially feasible; further changes may need to be made if we cannot meet our minimum. No RSVP necessary; just come and enjoy!

[Full Menu Here](#)

## Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, May 18, 12:30 PM PT, **in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom:** Berkeley Rotarian Nicky Lindquist presents "Oasis for Haiti's Children: A Photographic Journal." She will share her journey in establishing her organization ([oasisforhaitischildren.org](http://oasisforhaitischildren.org)) and her mission to transform their lives and help advance their happiness. The speaker is presented by Team #8, the Hattie Caldwell team; Joanne Dickerson-Harper and Mac Lingo, Captains.

**Get Packing!** Our Supportive Housing Committee's Comfort and Care Program invites you to pack mini toiletries prior to regular club meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 11:30 AM, in the courtyard of First Presbyterian. Come help and see what they do. (Psst: There will be a raffle!) Questions? Email Jackie Hammond ([jphbooks74@gmail.com](mailto:jphbooks74@gmail.com)) for answers.

**Fiddlin' Around!** At 7 PM on May 20, the San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers take the stage at First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley. Don't miss the chance to see our own Pate and Judy Thomson! Tickets: <https://sffiddles.org>



## Honoring the Memory of George Luna: A Children's Dental Clinic in Richmond

By Tina Etcheverry

Memorial donations honoring George Luna will be used to support our sponsorship of the Children's Dental Clinic in Richmond. The newly formed Berkeley Rotary Health and Wellness

May 29th

[Jack H. McPhail](#)

May 31st

[Bipin Singh Kathayat](#)

June 2nd

[Ingrid Gavshon](#)

June 8th

[Khawaja Mohammad Ashraf](#)

June 10th



Committee has joined forces with the East Bay YMCA, who provide many preschool, Head Start, and similar early childhood programs. They have identified children's dental care as a high priority need, and plan to create a Children's Dental Clinic in the YMCA Early Learning Center in Richmond, just a few blocks away from RotaCare.

George loved children, especially kids with special needs, and those from immigrant communities. These donations will honor his memory, and we think that he would be pleased to know we are directing funds to this special children's program.

This is not just a money project. Rotary will assist in the build-out phase of the clinic. There will be a hands-on role for anyone who wants to help with construction, painting, and clean-up. You can be a volunteer! Contact O'Neil Dillon ([oneilsdillon@gmail.com](mailto:oneilsdillon@gmail.com)) or the Health and Wellness Committee at Berkeley Rotary.

## East Bay Robotics Night: May 24, 6-8:30 PM

Dear Grier Graff and the Berkeley Rotary Club,

On behalf of our students, thank you for your support over the season. Due to your help, Berkelium was able to facilitate a large expansion of our roster and greatly increase our presence in local schools and a few other programs. We were also able to attend three competitions, saw significant success at all of them, and hope to continue to grow all facets of our organization in 2023. Once again, the Berkeley Rotary Club was instrumental in all the amazing things Berkelium has achieved this year.

Along with another local team, the Richmond Biomechs, we are hosting a parent/sponsor night and would love it if Berkeley Rotary Club could attend. Berkelium invites you to check out the amazing work our East Bay teams are doing to teach technical skills, inspire students about STEM, and build really cool robots! And you will get tacos for dinner!

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**East Bay Robotics Parent's Night!**

Join us at Richmond High School  
Tuesday 05/24 from 6:00PM - 8:30PM  
See the 2022 Robots in action, meet our students and learn about our teams!

**+ tacos!**

**WITH TEAMS**

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## District 5160 Health and Wellness Teams

By Tina Etcheverry

At this year's District 5160 Spring Assembly, I



made a presentation about the opportunity for clubs to form a Health and Wellness Team. The goal is to provide service and improve health outcomes in the local communities served by Rotary clubs.

This effort started with discussions between Mt. Shasta and the Berkeley Rotary clubs, a spin-off of our own COVID Interest Group (CIG). Originally, we focused on ways to address education and treatments for COVID, but the

focus of the Steering Committee has morphed into addressing the many unmet needs in health and wellness. Examples include mental health, diabetes, obesity, hypertension, nutrition, fitness, aging populations, and access to health care.

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## Inland Waterways of Europe

By Kenneth Renworth

On May 11, 2022, I made a presentation about the inland waterways of Europe. After the dot-com bubble burst in 2000 and business in Silicon Valley dried up, I decided to buy a canal boat in France. Renting a boat in September 2002 was successful, and so I purchased one in January 2003 in Saint Jean de Losne. After difficulties with the boat and weather, the boat made it to Paris and then on to Sancerre for the winter. Three weeks of 107-degree weather had dried up the canal making it impossible to travel from the Loire Valley back to Burgundy.

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