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## Speakers

**June 14, 2023**

[Leslie Moyer, Senior Black Rock City \(AKA Burning Man\) Communications Manager](#)

"Burning Creativity: Artmaking and Community Building in the Desert"

**June 21, 2023**

[Johanna Pfaelzer and Tom Parrish, Berkeley Repertory Theatre](#)

"Behind the Scenes with Berkeley Rep: 2023 Season"

**June 28, 2023**

[Berkeley Rotary Past Presidents](#)

"Rotary Year in Review"

## Events

June 14th

[Communication Committee Meets via Zoom](#)

June 15th

[Third Thursday](#)

June 21st

[Social Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

June 21st

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

## Birthdays

[Pamela V. Emerson](#)

June 19th

[Jason Aupperle Russell](#)

June 20th

[Maxim Schrogin](#)

June 28th

[Valerie E. Bach](#)

July 5th

[Mary Alice Rathbun](#)

July 7th

## Club Announcements

**Next Meeting.** June 14, 2023, at 12:30 PM PT, in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom: Leslie Moyer, Black Rock City (AKA Burning Man) Communications Manager, presents **"Burning Creativity: Artmaking and Community Building in the Desert."** For more than 30 years, a growing community of artists, makers, and creative problem-solvers from around the world have gathered each August in Nevada's Black Rock Desert to build a temporary city dedicated to immediacy, participation, and creative self-expression. Black Rock City is a vibrant social, civic, and cultural experiment that has given rise to a movement now active in 37 countries and on six continents. At the heart of everything Burning Man is the relentless pursuit of creativity, which manifests itself each year in the form of more than 400 large-scale interactive sculptures, 800 art cars (or "mutant vehicles"), 1,400 self-organized theme camps, and thousands of interactive performances, workshops, elaborate outfits, and spontaneous interactions. Join Leslie to learn firsthand about the creative community spirit that goes into building a temporary city in the desert, the lasting impact the experience has on those who participate, and the growing influence it's having far beyond the "trash fence." The speaker is provided by Team #11, the David Brower Center Team; Kathy Huff and Adrian Vancamper, Captains.



**Third Thursday.** Our next gathering is on June 15 at the home of Arlene and Maury Marcus. Come for wine, beer, soda, and snacks. No agenda, no speeches—just hang out and relax after the workday. Partners, spouses, friends, and children are invited! For more info, contact Arlene ([arlenebmarcus@comcast.net](mailto:arlenebmarcus@comcast.net)).

**End-of-Year Review and Joan's "Demotion"** will be on June 28. This is an in-person-only meeting (no Zoom). Please come to celebrate an eggs-ceptional year!

**Tom Eelkema.** Tom is recuperating well from major back surgery and would welcome visitors. Please call before your visit. He is at Kyakameena Skilled Nursing Facility, 2131 Carleton St., Berkeley, CA 94704. Tom's phone: (510) 862-4454. Visitors have found him to be in great spirits with a positive outlook for his recovery.

**Show Some Luv.** While you're noodling around on social media, check out our accounts!

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/berkeleyrotary>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/berkeleyrotaryclub>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/RotaryBerkeley>



## A TASTE of Success!

[Thomas Franklin Olson](#)

July 8th

[David W Poock](#)

July 9th

[Michele Lawrence](#)

July 11th

[O'Neil Dillon](#)

July 12th

By Joan Collignon



Thanks to the encouragement of the Downtown Berkeley Association, the support of several sponsors (both personal and corporate), the major volunteer effort of more than 35 Berkeley Rotarians and friends, and 10 generous restaurants, Taste of Downtown Berkeley was a success!

As event Chair Tina Etcheverry pointed out at the volunteer "after party" on the rooftop of the Residence Inn, we brought more people into downtown Berkeley and exposed them to the restaurant

resources there and raised money for the excellent Berkeley Rotary projects. Thank you all! It was a splendid event.

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## Please Nominate an Awardee for the Peace Grove

By Maxim Schrogin

Each year the Berkeley Rotary Club dedicates a redwood tree in the Rotary Peace Grove in Berkeley's Tilden Park to an individual or group that has contributed to world peace and justice. We have a ceremony at the Peace Grove, this year on September 20, which includes speeches and cuisine related to the awardee.

We solicit nominees for the award from as many sources as possible. The Berkeley Peace Committee decides on the best three choices, which are then submitted to the club for a final vote. Please contribute to this process by letting us know your choice or choices. It would also be helpful to include a paragraph-long bio of the nominees.



Thanks again for your support in this critical responsibility of our club. Please send your nominations to Maxim Schrogin at [maximds42@gmail.com](mailto:maximds42@gmail.com).

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## End-of-Year Appeals on 3-2-1

By Frederick C. Collignon

As we did last year and in some prior years, members will get email appeals this month as the fiscal 2022-23 year ends to make donations to the Rotary Foundation and the Club Endowment. Last week an appeal went out to those who committed to the \$100 annual pledge drives for the Polio Warrior Society but who hadn't yet donated this year. Most of those called were happy to be reminded. Appeals will also go out in coming weeks to: (a) those who haven't donated to the Foundation or the Endowment this year (the 3-2-1 annual appeal); (b) those lacking their first Paul Harris, reminding them to take advantage of the largest club matching ever offered those members; and (c) those past Paul Harris Society members who have yet to complete their \$1000 pledge this year.

It is easy to pay the "3" of the 3-2-1 annual club ask (\$300 to the Berkeley Rotary Endowment). Give your check made out to "Berkeley Rotary Endowment" to Jackie

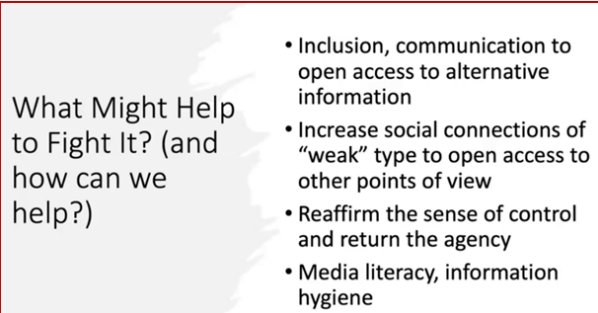
Hammond or Tina Etcheverry at a club meeting; mail it to Tina Etcheverry at 1471 Greenwood Terrace, Berkeley 94708; or donate online using the Donate button on the club website.

The easy way to donate the “2” of 3-2-1 (\$200 to the Rotary Foundation, to which all Rotarians belong) is to make your check out to “The Rotary Foundation” and give it to Jackie, Tina, or Fred Collignon. They’ll get your check to Fred who, as a past club Foundation Chair, will fill out the paperwork and send it to Evanston, so you and the club are credited for the donation. If you do Rotary Direct or have created your My Rotary account, it’s easy to donate online to Rotary. If not, why not create your My Rotary account now? Google “My Rotary” and the instructions for creating the account come up. If you need help, contact Fred. He’s filling in for our current Foundation Chair, Jason Russell, who’s traveling for most of June. Beware of donating online to the Foundation unless you do it with your Rotary ID number, the club number (428) and the District number (5160). Otherwise, you and the club won’t get credit for your donation.

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## Propaganda and the Generation Gap in Russia

By Helena Meyer-Knapp



What Might Help to Fight It? (and how can we help?)

- Inclusion, communication to open access to alternative information
- Increase social connections of “weak” type to open access to other points of view
- Reaffirm the sense of control and return the agency
- Media literacy, information hygiene

Valeria Chupina, our speaker last week, is a new club member who is from Russia. President Joan invited Valeria to give this talk following a personal conversation with her about the ways the war in Ukraine has opened up deep divisions between Valeria and her parents.

The result was last week’s talk, which took us through scholarly and political

ideas, closing with personal themes relevant to all of us. Research shows that people vulnerable to propaganda are often isolated and lack a sense of agency. Indeed, an important design feature of propaganda machines is to intensify those very conditions. [Read More](#)

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