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Speakers

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"

July 05, 2023

[Libby Tyler, Incoming Berkeley Rotary President](#)

"From Down Under to Up Ahead: The 2023-24 Rotary Year"

Club Announcements



Captain.

Next Meeting. June 21, 2023, 12:30-1:30 PM, PT: Johanna Pfaelzer (Artistic Director) and Tom Parrish (Managing Director) will present "Behind the Scenes with Berkeley Rep: 2023 Season" and discuss what's coming up for 2023-24. The speakers are provided by Team #12, the Berkeley Repertory Theatre Team; Pamela Doolan,



Don't Miss It! Our 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!

Events

June 21st
[Social Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

June 21st
[Meetings of the Boards \(Club and Endowment\) in person](#)

June 30th
[BARSHEEP TGIFF](#)

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

[Thomas Franklin Olson](#)
July 8th

[David W Pook](#)
July 9th

Call for Nominations.



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 Rotary 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. Send your nominations to Maxim Schrogin (maximds42@gmail.com).

Interested in What Makes BRC Run? The New Board Member Orientation, held annually, will take place on Monday, June 26, on Zoom at 4:00 PM. At the January Club Assembly, it was suggested that other club members who are not on the Board might like to attend. So you are invited. There will be three presentations, covering Board logistics, the BRC Endowment, and grants, both local and international. For members at large, please note: This is a time for incoming Board members to ask their questions, so you might like to think of yourselves as a "fly on the wall." Please let Joan Collignon (joancollignon@gmail.com) know if you'd like to receive the Zoom link, which will go out on Sunday, June 25.

Memorial for Don Alter. The Alter family has set August 12, 2023, for Don's memorial service. Details will follow.

Ripping Off That Red Ribbon

By Joan Collignon

Michele Lawrence

July 11th

[O'Neil Dillon](#)

July 12th

[Gilbert Page Ferrey](#)

July 13th

[Alan P. Fraser](#)

July 14th

[Bruce Hays Willock](#)

July 17th



David Wilson and Helmut Tutass have successfully navigated the Berkeley Rotary Blue and Gold checklist and were called to the podium last week, where President Joan gleefully ripped those red ribbons right off their badges. But she forgot to award them the coveted Golden Bear

Berkeley Rotary pin!

David's sponsor, Marion Hunt was able to present the pin to David with an appropriate ceremony at the Third Thursday gathering a day later. Helmut: your turn will come!

Burning Creativity: Artmaking and Community Building in the Desert

By Adrian Vancamper



What is Burning Man? Is it a festival? (Not quite.) A big party? A survivalist camping trip? A spiritual experience? An innovation laboratory?

At last week's meeting, Leslie Moyer, Senior Community Manager for Black Rock City (AKA Burning Man), explained that it is all of those things and much more. From its modest beginnings 27 years ago, Burning Man is now a growing community of more than 80K participants from around the world who gather each August in Nevada's Black Rock Desert to build a temporary city dedicated to immediacy, participation, and creative self-expression.

The Burning Man was initially founded at Baker Beach, San Francisco in 1986 by Larry Harvey. It was the perfect place for a group of 20 friends to gather for a bonfire, but the burning of "the Man" grew rapidly with hundreds attending, and city officials were forced to shut down the activity within 4 years. In 1990, "The Burning Man" moved to Nevada, far away from the Presidio and the Golden Gate Bridge.

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Scouting the Next International Project

Grier Graff led three Rotarians from Berkeley and one from Richmond on a whirlwind visit to Nayarit and the La Penita Rotary Club last week. They toured several sites for potential hands-on projects.

We'll hear more about it from Grier, Ken, O'Neil, and Steve soon. Pictured below: The

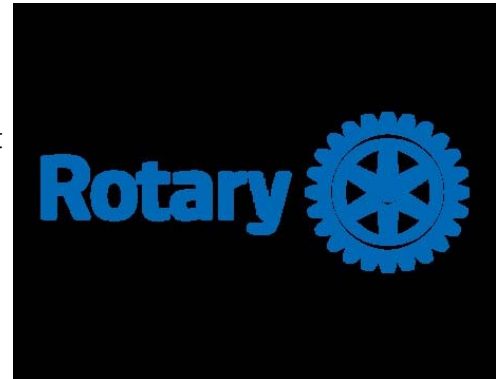


group with the La Penita club members at one of the kindergartens on the tour.

What's New at Rotary International?

By Frederick C. Collignon

The Rotary Foundation's third Programs of Scale grant award supports an effort led by Rotary members to reduce the number of cervical cancer cases in Cairo, Egypt, by increasing awareness about the disease and how to prevent it. The program will encourage the use of the HPV vaccine and promote cervical cancer screenings among women and girls in Cairo. Our District and our club earlier supported smaller programs of this kind in South America and in Asia.



The two earlier programs of scale, each of which ran several years, were (1) Rotary's effort to create a malaria-free Zambia, making use of the new anti-malaria vaccine, and (2) the "Together for Healthy Families" program in Nigeria, which seeks to reduce neo-natal morbidity and mortality rates. The programs were launched after requests by the UN and world health organizations for Rotary to take on bigger scale programs, such as it had done successfully with PolioPlus. Through these grants, clubs band together, work with local, national, and world governmental programs, and mobilize to attack major health problems. The Rotary grants are in the \$2 million range.
