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## Speakers

**July 12, 2023**

[JG Collomb and Stephen Gold, Wildlife Conservation Network](#)

"Bringing Clean, Renewable Energy to Conservation Projects Around the World"

**July 19, 2023**

[Elizabeth Echols, Ward 1 Board Member, East Bay Regional Park District](#)

"Your Regional Parks District and Its Plans for the Future and Climate Change"

**July 26, 2023**

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**August 02, 2023**

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**August 09, 2023**

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## Events

July 20th

[Third Thursday](#)

August 1st

[Membership Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

## Birthdays

[Michele Lawrence](#)

July 11th

[O'Neil Dillon](#)

July 12th

[Gilbert Page Ferrey](#)

July 13th

[Bruce Hays Willock](#)

July 17th

[Edward F. Church](#)

July 21st

[Jason Draut](#)

July 27th

## Club Announcements

**Next Meeting.** July 12, 12:30 PM PT, at First Presbyterian and via Zoom: Wildlife Conservation Network's JG Collomb (Executive Director) and Stephen Gold (Volunteer Solar and Sustainability Manager) will present "**Bringing Clean, Renewable Energy to Conservation Projects Around the World.**" They'll share how they provide solar energy with systems that power everything from conservation camps to research activities for elephants, cheetahs, and more. Based in San Francisco for over 20 years, WCN's mission has been to protect endangered wildlife by supporting conservationists who ensure that wildlife and people can coexist and thrive. The speakers are provided by Team #1, the Peregrine Falcon Team; John O'Dea and Steve Beckendorf, Captains.

**Create Hope in the World.** On July 1, Rotary International welcomed President Gordon and Heather McNally, shared their story, and started a new year. Now you can hear that story, "**Ethos into Action,**" narrated by Heather, a classically trained former professional opera singer. Only on the Rotary Voices Podcast: <https://on.rotary.org/3JGrFCT>

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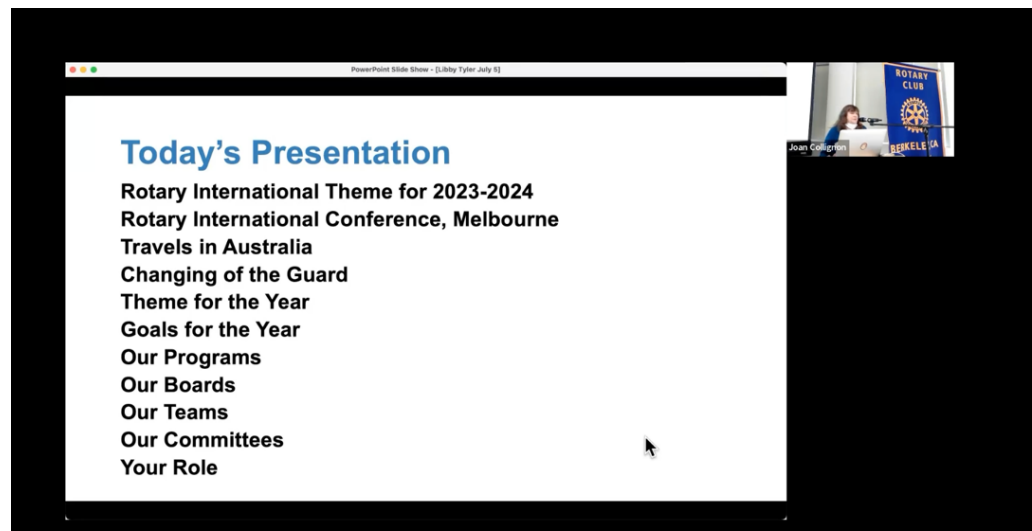


## Adventures and Plans: Libby Tyler Flies into the Presidency

By Helena Meyer-Knapp

Libby's first presentation as Berkeley Rotary's new President was packed. The opening slide promised so much, getting through it all ought to have been impossible. It wasn't. She landed at the end with time to spare.

[Robert Gullett](#)  
August 3rd



The new Rotary theme, Create Hope in the World, was of course chosen by Gordon McNally, the new President of Rotary International. It does seem particularly timely. Libby herself found real hope just watching the 200-strong parade of flags at the opening ceremony. A show of hands at the in-person Berkeley meeting revealed that many in the audience had been at International Conferences.

Libby moved on quickly to describe her adventures. Melbourne, she said, is "our kind of town," with museums and a stunning skyline. She and husband Rob took a road trip around Australia's south coast. Of course, south in Australia means cold, near the Antarctic. There were also shots of Australia's unusual animals as well as a lovely botanical garden.

Closer to home, Libby devoted the second part of her talk to getting Berkeley Rotary started in our new year. She has a list of goals and the organization in place to get them to happen. She outlined her priorities:

- Everyone matters
- Joy and fun in fellowship and service
- Welcome new members
- Strengthen and support committees
- Build leadership
- Engage with the community
- Youth Outreach
- Streamline operations

Her theme, The Great Outdoors, takes its first form in the names of program teams. This year there are fewer teams than in 2022-2023, so many teams have four rather than three events to plan for. As of last week, there were also still a few one-person roles unallocated and committees that could use a few additional members.

It's likely not a coincidence that the last row on Libby's last slide exhorted us to  
Show Up, Help Out, and Have Fun!

You can see the slides from Libby's presentation [here](#).

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## District 5160 Celebrates Us All

By Joan Collignon

A crew of Berkeley Rotarians trooped up to Sacramento on Saturday to celebrate and be honored for the past Rotary year.

Libby Tyler was inducted as one of the 71 Rotary District 5160 Club Presidents for 2023-24.



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was

honored by Mike Crosby, District Polio Plus Chair, with a special pin in recognition of his generous donations to the Polio Warrior campaign.



The Berkeley Rotary Club received the Hollywood Golden Star All Around Membership Award (suitable for installing on our own Walk of Fame!)



Berkeley Rotarian Beth Roessner, in her role as outgoing Assistant Governor of the BARSHEEP Rotary Clubs, contributed a dozen BARSHEEP cupcakes to the dessert auction. Our table bid the highest and we were treated to these cunning creations, decorated with little chocolate BARSHEEPS.

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## Program Teams at Work

Program teams are meeting and planning a year of great speakers to celebrate The Great Outdoors and present other interesting topics. Pictured below are several members of the Sequoia Sempravirens (California Redwoods) team, co-captains Shivani Grover and Irene Hegarty, gathered for a delicious brunch and planning session.



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## Help Wanted!

Do you have web skills? Experience in video editing? Would you like to learn? The club needs someone who can update our public website on a weekly basis, editing the video of the week's presentation and posting it online. This takes about one hour per week. From time to time, maybe quarterly, other updates may be needed as copy or photos are sent in. Austin has been our go-to webmaster, but he needs to pass the baton. If you are interested but unsure what's involved, please contact Irene Hegarty at [hgrty@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hgrty@sbcglobal.net) or Libby Tyler at [ehtyler6@gmail.com](mailto:ehtyler6@gmail.com).

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