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Speakers

July 26, 2023

[Ignacio F. Bunster-Osso](#)

"ALFIE: EARTH'S LAST HOPE
- An epic eco-science fiction tale"

August 02, 2023

[Janet Byron & Robert Johnson, authors](#)

The "Berkeley Walks" Trivia Quiz

August 09, 2023

[Janice Chinn - Berkeley Public Health](#)

"Public Health Issues and Programs in the City of Berkeley"

August 16, 2023

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August 23, 2023

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Events

August 1st

[Membership Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

Birthdays

[Jason Draut](#)

July 27th

[Robert Gullett](#)

August 3rd

[Elizabeth Roessner](#)

August 10th

[Larry Goldenberg](#)

August 10th

[Helena Meyer-Knapp](#)

August 14th

Club Announcements

Next Meeting: July 26, 12:30 PM PT, at First Presbyterian and via Zoom: Philadelphia-based landscape architect, author, and photographer Ignacio F. Bunster-Ossa discusses his latest work "ALFIE: Earth's Last Hope," an eco-science-fiction novel. Presented by the Tilden Park team, Tom Eelkema and Peter Campbell, captains.

TGIFF This Friday! The Rotary Club of El Cerrito is hosting a "Thank God It's Fun Friday" this week, 6/28, 6-8 PM. See the flyer below for details.

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Remembering Don Alter



Please join us for a remembrance and celebration of Don's life on August 12, 10:00 am - 11:30 at Montclair Presbyterian Church, [5701 Thornhill Dr., Oakland, CA 94611](#).

The memorial will be followed by a reception with light fare in the church courtyard. To help us plan, please let us know if you are attending.

Questions or to RSVP, contact Kim Alter at kim.alter@gmail.com; 202-689-4403.

Third Thursdays Continue

By Joan Collignon

About 20 of us relaxed in John and Louise O'Dea's leafy backyard at Third Thursday last week. O'Neil was telling stories about the Cordell Bank, an underwater sea mount off of Point Reyes (prompting those on the Social Committee to propose a tour of the Cordell

Bank exhibit at the Oakland Museum). Anne and Joan M. were hatching plans to research some interesting lunch caterers. Our new member Marty Kaliski got a taste of our mellow monthly socializing. And by the time the last bottle of wine had been opened, people were vying to host the next Third Thursday themselves. Come join the fun on August 17 at President Libby's house in Albany.



Is a “Malaria-Free World” Rotary’s Next Health Focus?

By Frederick C. Collignon

The World Health Organization this week gave official approval to the first malaria vaccine, Mosquirix. Two years ago, Rotary began preparing a multi-million-dollar program to treat malaria cases and ultimately vaccinate all the children in Zambia, as one of its “Programs of Scale.” The effort has awaited approval and larger-scale production of the vaccine. In the meantime, the “Malaria-Free Zambia” project has sought to train 380 public health workers and 2500 community health volunteers in malaria diagnosis and treatment. The immediate goal is to reduce 90% of the annual malaria cases among children in two provinces where malaria is most severe. The funding consists of \$2 million from Rotary matched by \$4 million from the Gates Foundation. The Zambia clubs are partnering with Rotary clubs in the State of Washington.

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The Future of the East Bay Regional Park District

By Fred Tabsharani

Our speaker last week was Elizabeth Echols, a highly accomplished leader who is currently Ward 1 Board Member of the East Bay Regional Park District. She boasts a distinguished academic background, having received her undergraduate degree from Yale and a law degree from Stanford. Prior to her current role, she served in the Obama-Biden administration, where she displayed adept negotiation skills, securing favorable

commerce terms with China. Her tenure in public service extends to her time at the Small Business Administration (SBA), where she was instrumental in providing over 20,000 SBA loans. In addition, Echols also has a profound footprint in the private sector, particularly in technology policy, through her influential positions at Google.

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