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Speakers

August 18, 2021

[Jennifer Cogley and Jessica Hays](#)

"Bayer Berkeley: Development Plan Update for the Bayer Campus"

August 25, 2021

[Theodore Ellison, Stained Glass Artist](#)

◆ Light in Life - The Glasswork of Theodore Ellison Designs◆

September 01, 2021

[Sara Weber, Co-Founder of the Berkeley Food Network](#)

"Innovative Ways to Get Food to People in Need"

September 08, 2021

[Charmin Smith, Head Coach, California Golden Bears Women's Basketball Team](#)

"Cal Women's Basketball Post-Covid"

September 15, 2021

[Doug Fielding, Former Owner/President of the Charcoal Companion Group](#)

◆ America vs. China: Who Will Be the Loser in This Economic War?◆

Events

September 9th

[Supportive Housing Service Project: Packing Hygiene Kits](#)

Birthdays

[Michael Endlich](#)

August 16th

[Daniel Thomas](#)

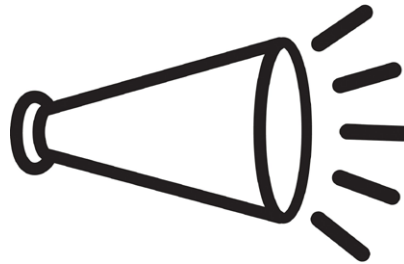
August 17th

[Jocelyn Pittel](#)

August 25th

Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo



Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 18, 12:30 PM, via Zoom. Jennifer Cogley (Director of Community Relations) and Jessica Hays (Project Manager) will present ◆ Bayer Berkeley: Development Plan for the Bayer Campus◆ (<https://bit.ly/3g2N8qA>). The speakers are provided by Team #5, the Zonia Baber Team (<https://bit.ly/3g4JH2C>); Libby Tyler, Captain.

Braver Angels: Saturday, September 18, 9 AM-12 PM, via Zoom. Rotary District 5180 is hosting a multi-district ◆ Depolarizing Within◆ workshop through Braver Angels (<https://braverangels.org>) for the UN International Day of Peace this September 21. The three-hour workshop teaches interpersonal communication skills and helps people examine their own biases. Free. Register: <https://bit.ly/3Agl7IU>.

Mentoring at DVC: Mentors are needed for community college students at DVC. Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club is organizing Rotarians who will volunteer to help out. They are first organizing a Zoom call with the college to make plans. Please contact Chris Laszcz-Davis from the Lamorinda Sunrise club at 925-330-1774 or ChrisLD@EQ-Organization.com.

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The Opportunities and Challenges of Building a New Hotel in Downtown Berkeley

By Richard M. Betts

The speaker at the Club's meeting on August 11 was Ed McFarlan, architect. He is also a member of Oakland Rotary. In 2012, after much controversy, the City of Berkeley created a Downtown Area Plan to preserve the core downtown, modernize it, and add to it. Most controversial, the plan allowed for three more high-rise buildings of 180 feet each, and two more at 128 feet each. All other new buildings must be 60 feet or lower.

A developer, Jim Didion, decided that one of the high-rise sites at the corner of Center and Shattuck was the perfect spot for a hotel. The design and planning for the new downtown Berkeley Marriot Residence Inn started in 2011.



[David Donald Campbell](#)

August 26th

[Marta Laupa](#)

August 29th

[Linda Cogozzo](#)

September 3rd

[Ione Hill Elioff](#)

September 8th

[Reginald J. Garcia](#)

September 9th

[Joshua H. Oliver](#)

September 10th

The permitting, 19 public hearings and other types of community engagement (including the complete redesign of the facade five years into the process), and construction has taken ten years. It is scheduled to open in October, 2021.

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Social Committee Announcements

By John J. O'Dea

The BRC Social Committee is announcing events planned for September and October.

Mark The Date: Sunday, September 19, 12 PM to 4 PM: Picnic at Codornices Park

We have reserved an area with picnic tables in Codornices Park, 1200 block of Euclid Ave, Berkeley. The plan is to ask people to bring food and drink to share and explore the park and Rose Gardens.

Mark The Date: Sunday, October 17: Tour Historic Locke

We are planning a group tour of the wonderfully historic Chinese town of Locke in Walnut Grove along the Sacramento River. This will be a 1-1/2 hour docent tour; minimum group 10; maximum 15; \$5 charge per person. If there is sufficient interest, we might be able to have two docent tours at the same time.

There are two wineries not far from Locke: Grand Island Vineyards and Bogle Vineyards. We could combine the Locke tour with a picnic and wine tasting at one of these.

We need an expression of interest and \$5 no later than September 16 so we can firm up the docent tours and the wine tasting. Please respond to John O'Dea by email: odeajj@gmail.com.

Plan ahead for the Club Holiday Party on Thursday, December 16 at the Northbrae Community Church, catered by Poulet. Details to come.
