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Speakers

September 13, 2023

[Allen Fish, Director, Golden Gate Raptor Observatory](#)
"Community Science and the Pacific Raptor Flyway"

September 20, 2023

[Mike Crosby, Rotary District 5160 PolioPlus Chairman](#)
"The Plus in PolioPlus"

September 27, 2023

[Berkeley Rotary Peace Grove Ceremony: Honoring Greta Thunberg](#)

October 04, 2023

[Claire Sammon Roberts, Rotary District 5160 Governor](#)
TBA

Events

September 13th

[Communications Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

September 20th

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

September 27th

[Social Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

October 3rd

[Membership Committee Meeting via Zoom \(Canceled\)](#)

October 8th

[Berkeley Rotary Club Picnic](#)

Birthdays

[Manjul Batra](#)

September 17th

[Eva J. Gero](#)

September 20th

[Antonia B. Sweet](#)

Club Announcements

Next Meeting. September 13, 12:30 PM PT: Allen Fish, Director of the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory (GGRO), will present "**Community Science and the Pacific Raptor Flyway.**" The biggest raptor migration in the western United States flies southward down the spine of Marin County each autumn, crossing the Golden Gate, and continuing as far as Central and South America. Raptors, also called birds of prey, are an ecological group that includes hawks, kites, eagles, falcons, vultures, osprey, and harriers. Since 1983, volunteers of the GGRO have banded more than 4,000 birds of prey here, and counted more than 900,000. This is the largest database on bird of prey population change in California and GGRO and the longest running community science program in the National Park Service. Join us for an introduction to this dynamic community and their scientific findings over four decades. And come visit us on Hawk Hill during the coming months to witness this migration for yourself. The speaker is provided by Team #1, the Peregrine Falcons Team; John O'Dea and Steve Beckendorf, Captains.



California Coastal Cleanup Day. Come out for a joint Berkeley Rotary/Albany Rotary project as we work together to clean up our East Bay Shoreline. We'll meet at Albany Bulb, 1 Buchanan Street, at 9 AM on Saturday, September 23. Bring gloves, a refillable water bottle, a debris bucket—and your whole family! This will be fun for everyone, as we join this international day of caring for our coast. Contact Joan Collignon for more information at joancollignon@gmail.org



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Register at: <https://on.rotary.org/455OHvs>



Report from the Health and Wellness Committee

By O'Neil Dillon

The Health and Wellness Committee has been busy working on several issues and

September 24th

[Schuyler Bailey](#)

September 28th

[Robert L Sorenson](#)

October 4th

projects. We have developed two hands-on projects now in process:

1. The Pediatric Dental Clinic project in Richmond at the YMCA E.M. Downer Early Learning Center has been joined by multiple other BARSHEEP clubs. We have raised \$20,000+ from a District Grant and club member donations in honor of George Luna. The YMCA has given us naming rights for the clinic, which will be named after George. This will be a hands-on construction project. We are waiting for the YMCA to contract for a dental service provider before construction begins.
2. In collaboration with Rebuilding Together and the City of Berkeley Public Health Department, we will be upgrading lighting and building a storage shed at the West Berkeley Family Wellness Clinic.

A sub-committee has been formed with the focus on "member well-being" chaired by Pamela Doolan with Pate Thomson and Marcia Dillon. They identify club members who may be in need of support for whatever reason (illness, personal crisis, life transitions, etc.) and offer/provide a coordinated and coherent support plan. They welcome contact by or about any club member who may have special needs. Confidentiality is honored in the process.

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Berkeley Rotary Scholars Drop In



We were pleased to have Rotary Scholars Ivan Cuatlatl and Rahma Rouabah join us at our last club meeting.

Ivan will be attending UC Santa Barbara as a freshman this year, with an interest in Political Science. Rahma is a second-year student at Cal, interested in a major in Data Science and Economics.

Berkeley Interact Club Off to a Great Start

By Tina Etcheverry

Berkeley High School students Tyen, Reese, and Bea signed up more than 40 students for the Berkeley Interact Club at the BHS Club Fair last Thursday. The students are already planning service projects: They plan to collect Spanish children's books for our Rotary kindergarten project in Los Ayala, Mexico in December, and they hope to volunteer at the Berkeley Food Network and other local food programs.

With the guidance of Rotary advisor Helmut Tutass and the support of faculty sponsor Lauren dela Rosa, they are bringing their ideas and enthusiasm for service, fun, and fellowship.



Welcome to the ACC, Cal!



Jack McPhail, a University of North Carolina alum, welcomes Cal into the Atlantic Coast Conference with the taunt: "If God isn't a Tarheel, then why did he paint the sky Carolina Blue?"

He also advises us to pronounce Duke as Dook. Make a note of that.

The Peregrine Falcons

The Peregrine Falcon Team and spouses met recently to plan upcoming programs. Pictured left to right: Louise O'Dea, Michele Lawrence, Linnea Graff, Grier Graff, John Pardee, Eva Gero, Marty Kaliski, John O'Dea, Jason Draut, Jenn Draut, Irmgard Willock (Bruce not in photo), and Steve Beckendorf.



Cradle to Prison Pipeline

By Helena Meyer-Knapp

Dr. Jenny Espinoza-Marcus's talk last Wednesday may have been, in some parts, sadly familiar. The US incarcerates a larger proportion of our population than any country in the

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world today and incarceration rates as measured by race are not proportional to the distribution of racial groupings in the general population. Such data are in the media all too often.



But the talk launched into its key points with something less familiar, a photo of the exercise yard at San Quentin with Mt. Tamalpais in the background—a reminder that the very same disproportion is right here in our own back yard. (See photo below.) The prison brings to Marin County a group of men, most of whom could never for themselves afford to live on the waterfront in the wealthiest and indeed also the healthiest county in California.

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