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Speakers

September 29, 2021

[Tom Debley, Founding Director of the Heritage Resources Department at Kaiser Per](#)

"Henry J. Kaiser: 100 Years of East Bay History"

October 06, 2021

[Irving Lubliner, Professor Emeritus at Southern Oregon University](#)

"Only Hope: My Mother and the Holocaust Brought to Light"

October 13, 2021

[Gloria Lenhart](#)

"Ghost Ships of the Gold Rush: Why are they there? and how to find them."

October 20, 2021

[Dr. Brent Stephens, Superintendent, Berkeley Unified School District](#)

"An Update on the Berkeley Schools in the Midst of the Pandemic"

Events

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[Berkeley Food and Housing Hope Center Tour](#)

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[President's Office Hour - Let's Chat about Rotary](#)

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[Packing Hygiene Kits](#)

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Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

Next Meeting: September 29, 12:30 PM PT, via Zoom. Award-winning journalist Tom Debley will present ♦ Henry J. Kaiser: 100 Years of East Bay History. ♦ Tom is the founding director of the Heritage Resources Department at Kaiser Permanente, which maintains an archive and knowledge of other archives and holdings that contain important Kaiser Permanente records. He will share the remarkable legacy of Henry J. Kaiser, from his arrival in Oakland as a little-known road builder to his greatest achievement of providing healthcare for millions of people. The speaker is provided by Team #10, the Ada Lovelace Team (<https://bit.ly/3kwafMV>); Judith Glass and Sheila Sabine, Captains.



Save the Date: Pack Toiletry Kits with the Supportive Housing Committee on Thursday, October 14, at 3115 Eton Ave., Berkeley, at 11 AM. (Counts toward Blue & Gold!) Plus, the committee is asking for donations of gently used men's clothing (shirts, pants, undershirts, socks, jackets, and shoes), which can be dropped off on packing day (or by arrangement). For more information about packing and donating, email Jackie Hammond at jphbooks74@gmail.com.

About Us: Watch this video to learn about BRC history. (Counts toward Blue & Gold!) <https://berkeleyrotary.org/documentary-video.php>.

Visit Historic Locke

By John J. O'Dea

On Sunday October 17, the club Social Committee has scheduled a docent-led visit to the historic community of Locke, CA, and a visit to Grand Island Vineyards.

Cost: Docent-led tour \$5; optional wine tasting \$10 (returned if wine is purchased)

Payment is due by October 9. After Oct 9, check with John O♦Dea for space availability at odeajj@gmail.com.

Send a check made out to Rotary Club of Berkeley, and noting the tour, to

Jackie Hammond
Rotary Club of Berkeley

[Robert L Sorenson](#)

October 4th

[Kate Harrison](#)

October 13th

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October 15th

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October 27th



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Tour details: The 1-1/2 hour tour will take us through the historic village settled by Chinese immigrants in the early 20th century, including museums and gambling halls. The tour starts at 11:00 AM. The optional Grand Island Vineyard visit includes a wine tasting of at least 6 varieties.

Getting there: Locke is located about 30 miles south of Sacramento. Driving time from Berkeley is normally less than 2 hours each way. The drive to Locke is along levee roads next to scenic delta sloughs, agricultural activities, and small delta towns. The Delta is like experiencing a throw-back in time, and will be as interesting itself as the tour. The Grand Island Vineyards is 10-15 minutes north of Locke. Maps and more are coming as we get a list of who is coming.

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Jason Runs to Raise Hopes

By Irene R. Hegarty

Many club members know that Jason Draut has run the Boston Marathon several times, raising funds for a children's home in Kenya. He will be running again on October 11. Your intrepid reporter (ahem) had a few questions for him.

How many Boston Marathons have you run?

I have run the Boston Marathon seven times. This will be #8. The first two times were just because I qualified and, well, it's the Boston Marathon. I ran the next 5 (going on 6) to support Many Hopes. I am excited to get to run the marathon in Boston this year as last year was a virtual race that I ran by myself here in the East Bay.

How did you hear about Many Hopes?

My good friend Thomas Keown founded Many Hopes. I met him in Boston in 2000 when I was in grad school. He visited Kenya around 2007 or 2008 and met a Kenyan named Anthony who now runs the Many Hopes home for children and school in Kenya. At the time, Anthony had taken in some orphaned and abandoned children who had nowhere else to go. He would have liked to help more children (the need was there), but didn't have the resources. Thomas realized he couldn't just go on with his life after seeing what Anthony was doing and within a year or so he founded Many Hopes to provide resources for Anthony to expand his work.



Tell us about the work of Many Hopes and your contribution.

Many Hopes has a vision of creating change that will last and grow for generations. They are focused on raising the next generation of adults who will influence the systems that oppressed them as children. They have leveraged their resources and expanded their impact by partnering with nonprofit organizations in five additional countries, including Malawi, Ghana, Peru, Guatemala, and Bolivia. My fundraising provides a small part of the resources that Many Hopes uses to fulfill their vision, and I think it is one of the best investments I can make with my time and resources. If I reach my fundraising target this year, I'll have raised about \$140,000 in six years including matching funds in five of the six years.

Go Jason!

Club Honors Congressman John Lewis with 2021 Peace Award

By Maxim Schrogin



The Rotary Peace Grove in Tilden Park was once again the site of the annual Award Ceremony in which a tree is dedicated to an individual or organization which has contributed to world peace. This year's honoree, Congressman John R. Lewis, was nominated posthumously by the Peace Committee and voted upon by the club.

Most remarkably, the ceremony was held as a hybrid Zoom meeting originating at the Grove itself, where East Bay Parks representatives joined club members to participate in the ceremony onsite. Peace Committee member Ken Renworth both initiated and enacted the idea with the phenomenal technical help of Austin Henderson and Linda Cogozzo.

We witnessed a video of Congressman Lewis, contributed by Peace Committee member Dave Campbell, which movingly and effectively demonstrated the wisdom of the club's decision.

The award was accepted on behalf of Congressman Lewis by local Rev. Dr. Ambrose Carroll, pastor of the Church by the Side of the Road, whose heartfelt comments further confirmed our choice.

To end the ceremony, the traditional litany to the event was recited by Rick Betts and other members of the Peace Committee. Onsite, lunch was provided by Ken and Tom Eelkema, rewarding the members who attended onsite. Technically, the event went surprisingly smoothly, providing for a memorable ceremony and paving the way for future hybrid club meetings.

A video of the event is posted on the club's website at BerkeleyRotary.org.

Picnic at Codornices Park a Success!

By Frederick C. Collignon

Although a light rain had been predicted, it was a beautiful Berkeley day on Sept. 19 as the club's picnic at Codornices Park drew varying estimates of 35 to 50

people. (People kept arriving throughout the event, so it was hard to get a good count.) New members got to meet veteran members, and Rotary students from abroad (France, Germany, Japan) came to join us. The food was delicious and ample, with fabulous salads, fruits, and desserts brought by those attending, in addition to the club-provided ham. Many thanks to the Social Committee and all who planned the event or helped with setup and cleanup.

