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Speakers

November 16, 2022

Superintendent Enikia Ford Morthel, M.Ed., Berkeley **Unified School District**

"An Update on the Berkeley Schools"

November 23, 2022 NO MEETING

November 30, 2022

Phil Miller, Robert Girling, and **Sherry Girling**

"Bionic Man Developments"

December 07, 2022

Grier Graff and Tina **Etcheverry**

"Annual Endowment Meeting: Where Does Our Money Go?"

December 14, 2022 **TBA**

Events

November 15th Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom [CANCELED THIS WEEK]

November 17th Raise-the-Bar

November 17th

Third Thursday Gathering

November 19th

Big Game Watch Party

November 22nd

Meditation/Mindfulness

Class via Zoom

November 29th **Meditation/Mindfulness**

Class via Zoom

December 6th Meditation/Mindfulness

Class via Zoom

December 10th

Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Tree Planting & Care

December 13th Meditation/Mindfulness

Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

Next Meeting. Wednesday, Nov. 16, 12:30 PM PT (in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom): Superintendent Enikia Ford Morthel, M.Ed., Berkeley Unified School District, presents "An Update on the Berkeley Schools." A former Deputy Superintendent of Instruction at SFUSD, Enikia is an urban educator and community activist working in the interest of students and their families. The speaker is provided by Team #12, the Berkeley Repertory Theatre Team; Pamela Doolan and Tess Mayer, Captains.

This Week. Check the left column for upcoming speakers and happenings.





Join Us for Third Thursday! Third Thursday

happens this week, Nov. 17, 5 to 7 PM, at the Colligons, 2925 Russell St., Berkeley. Beer, wine, snacks, good conversation!

Big Game Watch Party. If you don't have tickets to the game, join fellow Rotarians this Saturday at 2:15 PM for the televised Big Game between CAL and Stanford. Neither team is doing great, which means it should be an interesting game! Hosts:

Anne Pardee and Steve Beckendorf, 576 Vistamont Ave., in the Berkeley Hills. Chili and beer will be provided. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share, or just come. The halftime break may include a peek at Steve's orchid greenhouse. Email pardeevt@comcast.net if you're coming, so we have a head count. Go Bears!

Reminders. We will not meet on Nov. 23, Dec. 21, and Dec. 28. We will not publish e-Rev on Dec. 26.

Service Opportunity at Camp Tuolumne

By John J. O'Dea

Come join us and help us plant 1000 more trees at Camp! No skills necessary, just the Tuolumne Spirit!

Saturday, Dec. 10, 10 am - 3 pm at Camp Tuolumne

Berkeley Rotary has been a contributor to this project, and now a winter opportunity is available where everyone in the family can



Class via Zoom

Birthdays

Elizabeth Holl Tyler November 16th Maurice Gene Marcus November 19th Jonathan DeYoe November 24th John J. O'Dea November 27th Judith Anderson Glass November 29th Veronica Rodrigues November 30th John Pardee December 2nd **Arlene Marcus** December 3rd Sheila Sabine December 3rd **Daniel Thomas** December 6th Kathy Huff December 9th **Matt Hastings**

December 11th

Preston Staley

December 15th Larry E. Kinsey December 15th come and put their love into Camp!

We've been nursing these trees at Mountain

Sage Nursery for a few years now, and on this day we plan on planting them at Camp where we need them the most. We'll also have mulch delivered to add to the plants for their long-term stability, so some folks (like kids!) will help mulch. Finally: We'll have some weeding to do to help control the growth of invasive plants.

For this weekend, we have a special 50% off code to stay at Rush Creek Lodge for Friday and/or Saturday night.

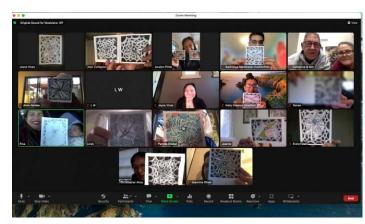
Next steps:

E-mail: scott@fobtc.com to confirm your spot, and we'll send details and the hotel code so you can reserve your room if you are staying overnight. (*We will cap the total volunteers at the first 100)

We look forward to helping bring back our beloved forest together!

Scotty, Kara and the Board of Friends of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp (FOBTC)

Meditative Creativity with Zentangle



A screenful of Berkeley Rotarians and friends spent a meditative 90 minutes on November 12 creating Zentangle doodles. The event was a fundraiser for the Supportive Housing Committee, as well as a pleasant, calming interlude after a busy week.

Everything We Wanted to Know About Recycling

By Sallie Weissinger

On November 3, fourteen Rotarians braved cold weather, construction slowdowns on Gilman Street, and a train delay to tour the Berkeley Recycling Center. The center, officially known as the Community Conservation Centers (CCC), is located at Gilman and Second Streets. What was planned as a 30-40 minute tour turned into a 90-minute visit because we never stopped asking questions. The tour, given by Supervising Manager, Michael Ware, and assisted by senior employee Jerman Figueroa, focused on the center's various programs: **the drop-off program**, for recyclable materials including paper; certain metals; glass bottles and jars, sorted by color; acceptable plastic materials; and a limited selection of household hazardous waste materials; and the **buy-back program** for aluminum cans, glass and plastic items, cardboard, and scrap aluminum. It also

operates the City of Berkeley's **materials recovery facility**, processing recyclables collected from residential curbsides and commercial pick-ups, as well as the buy-back and drop-off programs.

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An Update on Infectious Diseases

By Irene R. Hegarty

Infectious diseases have become part of our everyday concerns as we inhabit our smaller and more closely connected world. On November 9, Dr. Monica Ghandi, MD, MPH, and Doctor of Infectious Disease at UCSF (among her many other credentials) gave us an overview of where the U.S. stands with regard to Covid-19, polio, measles, and infectious diseases generally.

First, she lauded Rotary's campaign to eradicate polio worldwide while noting the backsliding in polio vaccinations here in the U.S. A case this year of paralytic polio in New York and the presence of circulating polio virus in New York's wastewater demonstrate the risk of failing to vaccinate children against this disease. For example, the percentage of polio vaccinations for two-year-olds is as low as 37% in parts of the New York county where the polio case was found.

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