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## Speakers

**December 21, 2022**

[NO MEETING](#)

**December 28, 2022**

[NO MEETING](#)

**January 04, 2023**

[Mayor Jesse Arreguin, City of Berkeley](#)

"The State of the City"

**January 04, 2023**

[Berkeley Rotary Club Assembly](#)

**January 11, 2023**

[A. J. Fox, Media Relations Manager, BAMPFA](#)

Topic: TBA

**January 18, 2023**

[Mayor Jesse Arreguin, City of Berkeley](#)

"The State of the City"

## Events

December 20th

[Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom](#)

[\[CANCELED\]](#)

December 27th

[Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom](#)

[\[CANCELED\]](#)

January 3rd

[Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom](#)

January 10th

[Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom](#)

January 12th

[Supportive Housing Hygiene Kit Packing in Person](#)

January 17th

[Meditation/Mindfulness Class via Zoom](#)

## Birthdays

## Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

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

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, 12:30 PM PT, in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom: It's a New Year! And time for a "Berkeley Rotary Club Assembly." What do you like about our Club?

What do you find wanting? What would you like to see happen in 2023? Come share your ideas in a free-flowing, roundtable discussion. We need to talk frankly about the future among ourselves, so this is not a good meeting for guests. Please discourage anyone who asks. They can enjoy the next week's speaker, or encourage them to come hear Mayor Jesse Arreguin present "The State of the City" on Jan. 18.

**CLUB ASSEMBLY**



**Virtual Food Drive.** We're helping the Berkeley Food Network provide nutritious meals this holiday season in the East Bay. Instead of schlepping those jars of peanut butter, you can donate online and choose the foods you'd like to give: dairy, produce, protein . . . a fun and efficient way to make a difference. You can donate through Jan. 6, 2023: <https://bit.ly/3BzDMgM>



## Holiday Regalia Reigns

And the coveted BARSHEEP Hoodies go to . . . Maury Marcus, Anne Pardee, and Terry Regan for adding the most merriment to our December 14 meeting.



[Beverly Crawford Ames](#)

December 24th

[Katherine Campbell King](#)

December 24th

[Frederick G. Fassett](#)

December 29th

[Tom Elkema](#)

December 30th

[Shawn Rowles](#)

January 1st

[Irene R. Hegarty](#)

January 13th

[Shivani Grover](#)

January 13th

[Steven Beckendorf](#)

January 17th

## A Spirited Holiday Party

In the spirit of holidays past and all things Dickens, about 70 Berkeley Rotarians and Rotaractors celebrated at Mr. Fezziwig's party last Friday. Those who came in costume offered various interpretations.

Victorian garb donned by Patricia Donald, David Pooch, Anne Pardee, and Steve Beckendorf



Fuzzy Wigs? Jason Draut and Jack McPhail



A lively and fun time was had by all.

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## A Whole New Year Is in Front of Us!

By Joan Collignon



It's been a good year. We've celebrated the Arts in Berkeley with speakers from Berkeley Rep, the Jazz School, Kala Art Institute, Aurora Theater, and more. We've also heard from scientists, activists, Berkeley city leaders, and speakers who entertained us.

Have YOU celebrated the Arts this year? Helena Meyer-Knapp, who captains the Shotgun Players Team, invited me to a performance of that theater's current musical extravaganza, *Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812*. I was blown away by the production! The Cal Performances team will meet at the Mark Morris Dance Group's Burt Bacharach homage, *The*

*Look of Love*, in February. The Aurora Theater team will invite us to *Cyrano* in April. There will be a lot going on next year!

And not just on stage. Berkeley Rotary is planning more events that will bring us all together: A whiskey tasting in February. A tour of the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory. A possible international project in Nayarit, Mexico. An online auction that will culminate not so silently at a lively March lunch meeting. And a project that will become over the next few years what the Kite Festival was—an all-hands-on-deck fundraiser that will see us working together earning funds to support our grants: The Taste of Downtown Berkeley on June 11, 2023. In partnership with the Downtown Berkeley Association and the Berkeley Lions, we'll host a walking tour of selected downtown restaurants, where participants will stop and taste at each. So circle that date on your calendar in red! [Read More](#)

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## How to Decarbonize Your Money

By Edward F. Church

The November 14 program was presented by Maureen Forney and Kate Littleboy, volunteer activists from the nonprofit [Third Act Bay Area](#), which is building a community of experienced Americans over the age of sixty who are determined to change the world for the better. The Bay Area chapter is part of a national organization. Their goal was to demonstrate how we use our life experience, skills, and resources toward that end.

Maureen and Kate inspired the meeting with three kinds of activities we could engage in to help address the climate emergency. They showed us how we could influence banks and credit card companies to stop funding fossil fuel projects, how to talk with young people in our lives about climate change, and how to write letters to the editor on the topic.

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## District Gov-Elect Presents Club District/RI Awards for Fundraising

By Frederick C. Collignon

At our meeting last week, District Governor-Elect Claire Roberts presented a District award for our fundraising last year for PolioPlus and the RI award for every member of the club donating to the Rotary Foundation. It was the first time in our 100+ year history that we had ever achieved the latter.



While Past President Arlene Marcus and last year's Foundation and PolioPlus Chair Fred Collignon were called to the podium to receive the Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) banner, they understand that such achievements are due to everyone's efforts on the hard-working Foundation Committee and to all club members. So let's give kudos to Jason Russell, this year's Foundation Chair and PolioPlus Chair; Larry Goldenberg, and David Campbell, multi-year past Foundation Chairs; Judith Glass, and Shawn Rowles, all of whom were key workers on last year's Foundation Committee and continue to work on the Committee this year.

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