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[Martin Bourque, Exec Director, Ecology Center](#)
The Ecology Center's Current Efforts

June 05, 2019

[Sara Weber, Exec. Director, Berkeley Food Network](#)
"Food Insecurity in Berkeley"

June 12, 2019

[Provided by Team10PhoebeHearst](#)

June 19, 2019

[Provided by Team11WillamMaeSudduth](#)

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[Jacqueline Peters Hammond](#)

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[Rebecca Phuong](#)

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[Matthew Hermann](#)

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[Christopher K. Ahoy](#)

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[Rosemary Mann](#)

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[Jack H. McPhail](#)

May 31st

The Berkeley Public Schools Fund: On a Mission for Teachers and Students

By Oscar H. Luna



At our May 15 meeting, representatives of the Berkeley Public Schools Fund shared their work as the local education foundation for Berkeley schools, 36 years running! Through inspiring photographs of students participating in grant activities ranging from outdoor education field trips, to "shadow plays," preschool art shows, or adorable young readers curled up with books, Executive Director Erin Rhoades described the impact that the Schools Fund has on Berkeley schools with almost 400 grants a year awarded to over half of the teachers in the

district.

The Schools Fund also serves as a "fiscal sponsor" for specific projects in the schools spearheaded by individuals or organizations, such as the Homeless Student Support Fund. The Schools Fund also runs a volunteer program, Berkeley Schools Volunteers, which places community members in classrooms, libraries, and school gardens. Duffy Ross, Director of Programs, explained that she is currently re-designing the Berkeley Schools Volunteers program to re-launch in the fall and is looking to expand her pool of volunteers for all types of student support, particularly in math. If you have any questions, ideas, or feedback for Erin or Duffy, they can be reached at erinrhoades@berkeley.net or duffyross@berkeley.net.

First Days of District Conference

By Frederick C. Collignon

It appears that ten or more club members made it to the Reno multi-district Rotary Conference in spite of the scare tactics of the weather reporters. While it was snowing, the roads were generally fine and unimpeded except for Thursday night, when chains were required. Those who came up earlier on Thursday or on Friday reported no problems. The first two days are mostly social events (golf tournaments, city tours) or service projects (packing 10,000 meals for the disaster-displaced in future months, or the fund-raising walk for Polio Plus). But there's a lot of time to greet friends in Rotary from other clubs or districts, including former Cal Rotaracters, now Rotary leaders.

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[Khawaja Mohammad Ashraf](#)

June 10th

[Gilbert Page Ferrey](#)

June 13th

[Joseph E. Pena](#)

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[Pamela V. Emerson](#)

June 19th

The Peppermill hotel is a special one people don't easily forget. Its walls are full of ever-changing videos of the world's leading natural and tourist sites. We noted few people waste time on their cell phones when alone; they get caught up in watching the marvelous videos. It also helps that there are 7-8 first-rate restaurants in the hotel--not cheap, but not as expensive as SF or Berkeley's good ones. And there are several bars, including a great whisky bar, and a lot of gambling opportunities for those who like it. A Berkeleyan was the only one spotted in the huge heated pool Thursday afternoon.

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