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Berkeley Rotary Club

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Speakers

November 27, 2024

[No Meeting!](#)

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December 04, 2024

[Allison Brooks, Executive Director, Bay Area Regional Collaborative](#)

"Bay Area Plans for Adapting to Climate Change"

December 11, 2024

[DG Dan Gerald](#)

"Meet District Governor Dan Gerald"

December 18, 2024

[TBA](#)

"Club Meeting and Holiday Lunch" There will be a Dessert Auction to benefit Rotacare

Events

December 4th

[Supportive Housing Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

December 4th

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

December 6th

[Ladies Who Lunch](#)

December 12th

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

December 14th

[Holiday Party](#)

Birthdays

Leslie A. Levy
November 26th

John J. O'Dea
November 27th

Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

Next Meeting. We will not have a club meeting on Wednesday, November 27, 2024. Happy Thanksgiving!



Cajun Holiday Party! Join us on Saturday, December 14, 2024, from 6-9 PM, at Northbrae Community Church for a fun evening of delicious food, and toe-tapping and dancing to the [Mark St. Mary Louisiana Blues and Zydeco Band](#). Catered dinner and wine/\$80 per person (no refunds); pay by check or Venmo (@Berkeley-RotaryClub). Questions? Contact Arlene Marcus (arlenebmarcus@gmail.com).

Keeping Children Warm This Winter. The Supportive Housing Committee, in partnership with the [Women's Daytime Drop-in Center](#), is again collecting warm jackets for children this winter. Please bring a jacket—or a contribution—to the club meetings on December 4 and 11.



Re/Connect. The [2025 District Conference](#) will take place from May 2-4, in San Ramon, CA. This is a time to enrich your Rotary journey through exceptional speakers, dynamic breakout sessions, and a lot of fun! Reserve your place now (and save \$25) via the personal link emailed to you on November 16 by DG Dan Gerald.

We're Keeping the Axe!

James Brenneman
November 27th
Judith Anderson Glass
November 29th
John Pardee
December 2nd
Arlene Marcus
December 3rd
Daniel Thomas
December 6th
Kathy Huff
December 9th
Preston Staley
December 15th
Larry E. Kinsey
December 15th
Colette Ford
December 15th
Frederick C. Collignon
December 17th
James Ivan Masters
December 19th
Beverly Crawford Ames
December 24th
Katherine Campbell King
December 24th



Above: Cal's Rally Committee stares down Stanford while they await the end of the game.

It was an exciting Big Game last Saturday, and Cal pulled through for a 24-21 win over Stanford. *Go Bears!*

For those who participated in Terry Regan's Big Game Challenge, here's what to do: The 8 Cal supporters who signed up pay the amount of the winning score to the Club Endowment, or \$24. The one loser, Stanford alum Terry, pays twice the winning score, or \$48. In addition, Ed Church auctioned off Terry's extra ticket for \$250, won by Jack McPhail, for a total contribution of \$490. You can send your donation by check or use the Donate button on the club's website.

Terry notes: "If the happy Cal winners want to match my contribution (Is it fair to all concerned?), the Berkeley Rotary Endowment would be \$682 richer." He adds, "I enjoyed the game in my red shirt, especially the first touchdown and the first 3 quarters, when Stanford had the lead." Poor Terry. (hehehe)

Our Heartfelt Thanks

Service Above Self becomes truly meaningful when we join hands with others who share our vision of making the world a better place. Today, we want to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who has helped make our mission possible.

To Our Sponsors: Your generous financial support transforms dreams into reality. Every dollar you invest ripples through our community, touching lives and creating lasting change. Your belief in our mission empowers us to reach further and do more.

To Our Supporters: Whether through in-kind donations, advocacy, or spreading the word about our initiatives, your backing strengthens our foundation. You amplify our impact in countless ways.

To Our Members' Clients: You trust us to serve you, and in doing so, you teach us invaluable lessons about compassion, resilience, and human dignity. Your stories inspire us to work harder and serve better.

To Our Friends: Your encouragement and understanding of our commitment to service mean the world to us. You celebrate our successes and stand by us through challenges.

To Our Families: Thank you for sharing your loved ones with us, for understanding the late nights, weekend events, and the time spent away from home. Your support at home makes our service possible.



To Our Club Members: Your dedication, creativity, and tireless effort form the heartbeat of our organization. Each of you brings unique talents and perspectives that enrich our service projects and fellowship.

To Our Interact Students: Your energy and fresh perspectives remind us why we serve. You are not just the leaders of tomorrow – you are making a difference today, and we are proud to mentor and support you.

To Our Rotaract Partners: Your bridge between youth service and professional leadership inspires us. Your innovative approaches to service projects bring new life to our shared missions.

To Our Volunteers: You give your most precious resource – your time – to help others. Your selfless dedication multiplies our impact many times over.

To Our Fellow Service Clubs: Your partnership in various projects shows that, together, we can accomplish so much more than we could alone. Your collaboration makes our community stronger.

To Our Nonprofit Partners: Your expertise and dedication to your specific missions help us channel our resources more effectively. Together, we create a network of care that reaches every corner of our community.

Each of You Plays an Essential Role in Our Service to the Community. As we look to the future, we are grateful to have such an incredible network of support. Your contributions, whether large or small, make a significant difference in the lives of others.

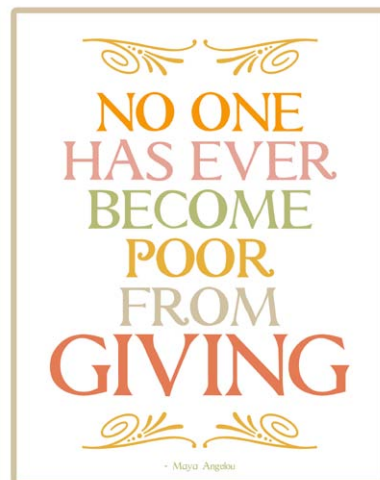
Together, we are creating positive, lasting change in Berkeley and beyond.

With deepest appreciation,

Berkeley Rotary Club

A Very Good Year for the BRC Endowment

By Grier Graff



Last week, Tina and I presented the state of the Endowment and recognition of our financial donors. A special thank you was extended to all who gave time and talent, acknowledging that our many projects would not have been possible without the many hands of our club members.

The Endowment is in good shape. Our total of \$1,168,000 includes a corpus of \$816,000 and is up 4.2% from last year. The goal of the Endowment is to reach \$1,000,000 and then begin spending the income. This will allow us to expand our grants and scholarships.

The Ted Ockels Society, much like the Paul Harris Society for Rotary International, was created to recognize the importance of financial support to the Berkeley Rotary Endowment, motivating others to participate. This recognition is our way of saying thank you from all of Berkeley Rotary and the beneficiaries of our grants and projects. The honor was named for Ted, a past club member and a “get it done” volunteer who served on many local boards. He believed in paying it forward.

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Fall Stayover 2024

By Joan Collignon

Twice a year Cal Rotaract hosts Interact high school students from throughout Northern California for a jam-packed, two-day adventure on the Cal campus. The students tour the campus, learn about college life, and participate in a local service project. This year they cleaned up the Alzheimer's Center in Oakland.

They arrive with sleeping bags and crash on the floors of Cal Rotaractors' apartments and Berkeley Rotarians' houses. Because of a lack of Cal Rotaract chaperons, they only used four Berkeley Rotary houses this year, but they packed them in!

Thanks go to Mimi and George Fruehan, David and Cecilia Wilson, Marcia and O'Neil Dillon, and the Collignons for hosting the high schoolers. The Fruehans even drove two cars to Berkeley from their home in El Cerrito, picked the kids up on campus, and returned them on Sunday, dodging the Berkeley Half Marathon along the way.

This is the Rotaractors' biggest project every year, so thanks, Berkeley Rotary, for making it possible.



Interactors at Mimi and George Fruehan's house



The photos above are Interactors at the Collignons; on arrival, and leaving on Sunday morning, laden down with sleeping bags and gear.

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Ken Renworth?



Boating in Saint Jean de Losne, Burgundy, France

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