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## Speakers

**July 01, 2020**

[Club President Chris Ahoy](#)  
"Tikkun Olam - Repair the World"

**July 08, 2020**

[Lark Doolan](#),  
[Superintendent/Principal](#),  
[Peninsula Union School](#)  
[District](#)

"LGBTQ Inclusion and Belonging"

**July 15, 2020**

[Rob Olshansky](#),  
[Environmental Planner](#),  
[Professor Emeritus](#),  
[University of Illinois](#)

"Adaptation to Sea Level Rise"

**July 22, 2020**

[Professor Dan Kammen, PhD](#)  
"Climate Change: Current Trends/Actions, Policy Recommendations"

## Events

July 1st  
[Supportive Housing Committee Meets](#)

July 2nd  
[Membership Committee Meets](#)

July 9th  
[Climate Action Committee Meets](#)

July 15th  
[Board of Directors and Endowment Board Meet](#)

July 21st  
[Communication Committee Meets](#)

July 23rd  
[Climate Action Committee Meets](#)

## Birthdays

## Hats Off to President Fred!

"Dress Like Fred" we were instructed, and over 70 members of Berkeley Rotary complied as they said thanks to President Fred Fassett for his year leading the club through very murky waters. Ed Church, Sheila Sabine, and Linda Cogozzo organized our tributes to Fred and outlined the club's accomplishments this year. Jason Russell and friends entertained with a very merry parody of Gilbert and Sullivan's Modern Major General. In case you missed some of the lyrics-- they are below, as written by Linda Cogozzo. And here's a link to the original song on YouTube in case you'd like to sing along. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rs3dPaz9nAo>

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## Welcome New Member Marta Laupa

By Frederick G. Fassett



Marta Laupa has had a forty year career as an educator teaching at several colleges and universities and doing research in the field of children's moral development. She recently left a position teaching at Rhode Island College in Providence, RI. She returned to Berkeley where she earned her PhD in Developmental Psychology and is currently working as an academic tutor.

Marta was first introduced to Rotary by her father, a refugee from Estonia who came to the U.S. in 1948 to attend Georgia Tech with a scholarship provided by the Rotary Club of Atlanta, Georgia. It was through him that she also developed a concern for refugees and immigrants and an appreciation for the tremendous importance of a good education.

Currently Marta works as a volunteer, tutoring young adults studying for their General Education Degree (GED), through the LEAP program in Richmond. Her interest in serving others through education has drawn her to becoming a member of the Berkeley Rotary Club.

[Valerie E. Bach](#)

July 5th

[Mary Alice Rathbun](#)

July 7th

[Thomas Franklin Olson](#)

July 8th

[David W Poock](#)

July 9th

[John Albert Ross](#)

July 11th

[O'Neil Dillon](#)

July 12th

[Alan P. Fraser](#)

July 14th

[Bruce Hays Willock](#)

July 17th

[Edward F. Church](#)

July 21st

[Jason Draut](#)

July 27th

## Peace Award Nominees

By Maxim Schrogin

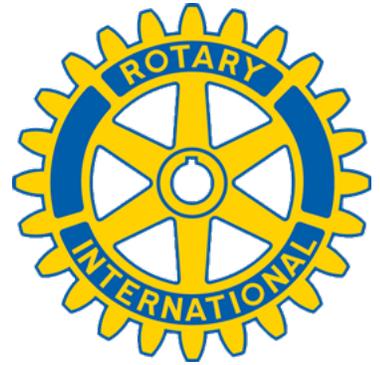
The Berkeley Rotary Peace Committee is pleased to present the following three nominees for your consideration and vote as our Peace awardee for the year 2020.

We will have an online Zoom vote at a club meeting in the near future.

1) The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (a nominee last year), an American private foundation founded by Bill and Melinda Gates. Based in Seattle, Washington, it was launched in 2000 and is reported to be the largest private foundation in the world. The primary goals of the foundation are, globally, to enhance healthcare and reduce extreme poverty, and in the U.S., to expand educational opportunities and access to information technology. It has contributed generously in matching funds to Rotary's Polio Plus fundraising.

2) Greta Thunberg (a nominee last year), a Swedish environmental activist who has gained international recognition for promoting the view that humanity is facing an existential crisis arising from climate change. Thunberg is known for her youth and her straightforward speaking manner, both in public and to political leaders and assemblies, as she challenges world leaders for their failure to take sufficient action to address the climate crisis. She has received two consecutive nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize (2019 and 2020).

3) Dr. Anthony Fauci and Frontline Healthcare Workers Around the World. Dr. Fauci has served as the director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) since 1984. Since January 2020, he has been the lead physician to address the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States. As a physician with the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Fauci has served American public health in various capacities for over 50 years. He has made contributions to HIV/AIDS research and other immunodeficiencies. We also recognize with this award the heroism of Frontline Healthcare Workers Around the World who risk their own health and lives to minimize the spread and effect of COVID-19.



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## Supportive Housing Committee Update

By Joanne Dickerson-Harper

The Supportive Housing Committee members send their best wishes to all Berkeley Rotary members. We are hoping that you are all in good health and continue to protect yourselves.

These are difficult times, but we will pull through. The Supportive Housing Committee was created to address what BRC can do to support the housing and food insecure members of our community. Our activities range from preparing and serving breakfast at a youth shelter to delivering backpacks full of school supplies to Berkeley schools and students in general, to publishing a resource guide that steers our community members to organizations that can provide services. We modify our services depending on the conditions.

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## Come Back to Casting About!

By Arlene Carol Marcus

Casting About is starting up again on **Tuesday, July 14, at 4:00 p.m.** and everyone is

invited!

**What is Casting About?** It's an informal, casual meeting where you can learn all the secrets of the Berkeley Rotary Club. It can also be called Everything you always wanted to know about Rotary but were too embarrassed to ask. For example:

- Do you know what RI is?
- Do you know what 3-2-1 means?
- Do you know what a team does?
- Do you know what Rotacare does? Or Solo Mio?
- Do you know what BARSHEEP is? Or R.O.A.R? Or CIG? Or CAC?
- How do you become a director of the board? A secretary? A treasurer?
- How do you become a team captain? Propose a committee or a project? Write a grant? Select a speaker?
- Do you know what PETS is? Or a DGE? Or an AG?
- How does one get a Rotary Bear pin?
- How does one become president?

This meeting is particularly appropriate for new and newish members, though veteran members frequently show up just to chat. You don't need to RSVP or even show up on time or stay the whole time JUST APPEAR!

I will send out a Zoom link to everyone the day before the meeting.

**Please note the date and time, and add them to your calendar.**

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## RI Zoom Conference Breakouts Continue Into Mid-July

By Frederick C. Collignon

When the in-person gathering of some 20,000 registered Rotarians for the annual Rotary International Conference in Hawaii in July got cancelled due to the covid-19 shutdown, RI adapted quickly and sponsored a free online conference held last Thursday through Sunday. The breakouts continue for another two weeks, and videos of everything is online at [riconvention.org](http://riconvention.org). Joan and I attended both plenary sessions and 7-8 breakouts between them, and give a report below.

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