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## Speakers

**August 31, 2022**

[Neelam Patil](#)

"Miyawaki Forests: Ecosystems in Public Schools"

**September 07, 2022**

[Francesca Gabourel](#)  
[Managing Director, Aurora Theatre Company](#)

Aurora Theatre Company

**September 14, 2022**

[TBD](#)

**September 28, 2022**

[Drue Banta](#), [Director of the San Francisco Walk to End Alzheimer's](#)

"Envisioning a World Without Alzheimer's"

## Events

September 2nd

[Birthday Deniers Club Meeting](#)

September 7th

[Supportive Housing Expo](#)

September 8th

[Supportive Housing Committee Hygiene Kits Packing Service Event](#)

September 17th

[Cal Rotaract Hosts a Mixer with Berkeley Rotary](#)

September 18th

[Picnic at Codornices Park](#)

## Birthdays

[Marta Laupa](#)

August 29th

[Linda Cogozzo](#)

September 3rd

[Reginald J. Garcia](#)

September 9th

[Joshua H. Oliver](#)

## Club Announcements

By Linda Cogozzo

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, August 31, 12:30 PM PT (**in person at First Presbyterian and via Zoom**): Neelam Patil, an inspirational science teacher at Cragmont and Oxford elementary schools, presents "Miyawaki Forests: Ecosystems in Public Schools." Neelam helped Berkeley become the first school district in the country to fund dense, biodiverse Miyawaki forests (<https://bit.ly/3AHLc0z>). Last November, Berkeley elementary students planted over three thousand drought-tolerant native saplings that grow faster and require less water than normal trees. As a fifth grader said, "It eliminates a lot more carbon than a normal forest, it grows faster than a normal forest, and it lets in more wildlife." The speaker is provided by Team #7, the Freight & Salvage Team; John Pardee and Michele Lawrence, Captains.



**What Would You Do?** Wednesday, August 31, 2:15-3:30 PM PT (**via Zoom**): the Peace Committee hosts the next in a series of Civil Discourse meetings. **Topic:** "The Search at Mar-a-Lago: Law & Order? Political Overreach?" Check your inbox for the Zoom link; email Dan Thomas ([dthomas@tc-associates.com](mailto:dthomas@tc-associates.com)) for more information.

**Register Now for the District 5160 Fall Seminar, September 10-15 (via Zoom).** **Learn about** member engagement, service, public image, and more, at sessions for new and seasoned Rotarians alike. DG Suzanne Bragdon sent an email (on August 17) with a registration link personalized just for you.

## Continuing a Rotary Tradition

By Joan Collignon



One of Rotary's most colorful traditions is members' exchanging club banners. Our most recent visitor was the Farfan family who dropped in on Cal Move-in-Day as their UC Freshman son was moving in to Beverly Cleary Hall next door. We were presented with the banner of the Rotary Club of Washington D.C., and Salvador Farfan will take the Berkeley banner back to his club.

We have hundreds and hundreds of these little banners, carefully preserved in plastic boxes in the Berkeley Rotary storage units. Also in storage are several big felt banners displaying some of the gift banners. I pinned another dozen or so to one of these large banners and brought it to the meeting last week, so we could get a flavor of what they would look like if we had the space to display them. I'm open to any ideas you might have about a future display!

September 10th

[Manjul Batra](#)

September 17th

[Travis Neal](#)

September 18th

[Eva J. Gero](#)

September 20th

[Antonia B. Sweet](#)

September 24th

[Schuyler Bailey](#)

September 28th



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## Video of Cliff Dochterman Celebration of Life

By Frederick C. Collignon

A weekend ago, many club members had the difficulty of two funerals in the Rotary family at the same time. For those unable to attend the Celebration of Life service for Cliff Dochterman, the family has provided the following video. Speakers included family members, Past RI President Rick King, and the Representative for current RI President Jennifer Jones, Brad Howard. If you were unable to view the celebration of life for Cliff Dochterman, it can be seen on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UXMGtMWYCU>

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## Exploring the World Through Rotary

By Joan Collignon

Pleasant Hill Rotarian Steve Lack talked to us last week about beer, and he highlighted the Rotary BREW Fellowship—Beer Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide—and its impact on water and sanitation throughout the Rotary world. Like all Rotary fellowships, BREW is a way for members to explore the professions or hobbies they have in common with Rotarians in other clubs and districts and countries. I'm a member of the Birdwatching Fellowship. Mary Alice Rathbun joined the Wine Fellowship. Fred Collignon belongs to BREW as well as the Rotary History Fellowship. There are Fellowships for fishing, flying, and the most popular is the Travel and Hosting Fellowship, where you can offer a bed and friendship to traveling Rotarians and be offered hospitality when you travel. Explore this list and join a [Rotary Fellowship](#).

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## It's Time to SOAR!

By Frederick C. Collignon

**What is SOAR?** An acronym for Showcase, Outreach, A, Reception, SOAR is an event designed as our Berkeley Rotary showcase that reaches out to potential new members. It will be fun, engaging, and a great mixer.

**When:** Sunday, October 9, 3-5 PM

**Where:** Tina Etcheverry's home, 1471 Greenwood Terrace, Berkeley 94708

**Who's invited:** Club members who bring a guest or help out with the event

**Wine and appetizers** will be served.

There will be poster display stations providing material that will trigger conversations and lively discussions with guests. This is a great chance to listen to new ideas from visitors and inspire our guests to join Rotary.

The Membership Committee has formed a subcommittee to handle the various jobs from promotion to set-up to greeters to working the display tables (and even clean-up). We encourage you to come, volunteer for a job, and most important, bring a guest! You cannot come unless you bring a prospect as your guest, or have a major task you're doing at the event. For more information, contact the event host and coordinator Tina Etcheverry ([etcheverrytina@yahoo.com](mailto:etcheverrytina@yahoo.com)).

So whom are you going to invite and help persuade to join our Rotary club? See some tips below.

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## Beer Facts and Fun

By Joshua H. Oliver



Last week's speaker, Steve Lack, is a past District Governor who worked as a special agent for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He has a PhD in Public Administration. A certified fraud examiner, Steve has won numerous awards for his work, including special agent of the year, but his passionate interest in beer was the focus of his talk.

Steve's talk started with a beer polka song and discussion about the Rotary Fellowship "Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide" or BREW, which has 2,100 followers on Facebook. Rotary Fellowships are groups of Rotarians, their family members, and participants and alumni of all Rotary programs who connect to explore shared interests, including sports, hobbies, vocations, recreational activities, and Rotary history and culture.

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