



# e-Revolutions

Berkeley Rotary Club

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## Speakers

**July 24, 2024**

[Amit Randhawa, Clinical Operations Manager + Jan Herr, M.D.](#)

"What Drives RotaCare: A Deeper Dive into the Free Clinic"

**July 31, 2024**

[Aysha Abraibesh, a Libyan-American, and Nadine Mansour, a Palestinian](#)

"Three Weeks in the West Bank"

**August 07, 2024**

[Dale Becknell](#)

PROPEL: Solar-Powered Solutions for Clean Water Needed from Nigeria to Madagascar

**August 14, 2024**

[Dmytro Kushneruk, Consul General of Ukraine in San Francisco](#)

TBA

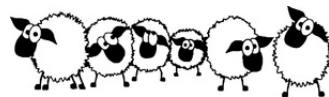
**August 21, 2024**

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"High Hopes Scholarship Program"

## Club Announcements

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, July 24, 2024, 12:30 PM PT (at First Pres and via Zoom): Amit Randhawa, Clinical Operations Manager at RotaCare West Contra Costa, and Jan Herr, M.D., Director of Women's Health, will present "**What Drives RotaCare: A Deeper Dive into the Free Clinic.**" The speakers are provided by Berkeley Rotary's Caribbean Team; Amit Randhawa, Captain. **(Note: We're meeting in room G202.)**



**BARSHEEP TGIFF.** Hosted by Albany Rotary, this month's gathering is on Friday, July 26, 5-7 PM, at Oceanview Brew Works, 627 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706 (<https://www.oceanviewbrews.com>). There

will be miniature golf and refreshments on the back patio!

**Volunteer!** Repair playground equipment for the Center for the Early Intervention of Deafness (CEID) on Saturday, July 27, 9:30 AM-5 PM, at 1035 Grayson St., Berkeley, CA 94710. Painting, carpentry, gardening, and general cleanup are needed. Lunch will be provided, and the workday will be followed by a BBQ at Ilya and Valeria's home (next door to CEID). Partners are welcome to come to the BBQ. Sign up by Thursday, July 25. Contact: Grier Graff ([gg@graffarchitects.com](mailto:gg@graffarchitects.com)) or John O'Dea ([jjodea@yahoo.com](mailto:jjodea@yahoo.com)).



## Events

July 25th

[Grants Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

July 26th

[BARSHEEP TGIFF](#)

July 27th

[Work Project: Repair Playground Equipment at CEID](#)

July 31st

[Civil Discourse Meeting via Zoom](#)

August 7th

[Supportive Housing Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

August 8th

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

August 8th

[Thirsty Thursday](#)

August 14th

[Communications Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

## Our Social Media Rocks!



Thanks to social media maven Linda Cogozzo, Berkeley Rotary won this district award! If you haven't followed her posts on Facebook

(<https://www.facebook.com/berkeleyrotary>), Instagram (<https://www.instagram.com/berkeleyrotaryclub/>), or X (Twitter: <https://twitter.com/RotaryBerkeley>), check them out and remember to "like" or share!

August 18th  
[Zentangle + Tea](#)  
[Fundraiser for](#)  
[Supportive Housing](#)

## Birthdays

Jason Draut  
July 27th  
Robert Gullett  
August 3rd  
Jesse Arreguin  
August 4th  
Larry Goldenberg  
August 10th  
Elizabeth Roessner  
August 10th  
Helena Meyer-Knapp  
August 14th

## Polio Eradication Update

By Elizabeth Holl Tyler

Mike Crosby leads Rotary Zone 26/27 End Polio Now and Rotary District 5160 PolioPlus. On July 17, he gave a passionate and highly informed presentation on Rotary's ongoing efforts to eradicate polio. He augmented his talk with numerous video clips showing Rotarians in action around the globe and examples of the public outreach messages being used in countries that are still impacted.

Mike likened the fight against polio to a marathon. It is a long-haul effort, and we must keep cheering the polio fighters on as we edge ever closer to the finish line. He noted that it took 24 years to eradicate polio in the U.S. through vaccination efforts (1955-1979), but it started long before, in 1938, with Franklin D. Roosevelt's founding of the March of Dimes.

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## Software and Hardware

*From time to time, we reprint informative, thought-provoking, or inspirational messages from Rotarians of other clubs. This one is from Ray Sanford, San Juan Capistrano Rotary.*



Imagine Rotary as a complex computer system. In this analogy, the Rotarians are the hardware, the "boots on the ground" with each member a crucial component, from processors driving initiatives to memory banks preserving our collective history and experiences. Just like a well-built computer, we are diverse in function yet unified in purpose, each piece essential for optimal performance.

Rotary International, on the other hand, is the software. It provides the operating system and network protocols that allow our diverse hardware to communicate, collaborate, and achieve greater goals together. This software is constantly updated to adapt to new challenges and integrate innovative solutions. It connects individual Rotarians across the globe, facilitating the sharing of ideas and resources.

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## Welcome, Veronica Sibley!

By Irene R. Hegarty

Veronica Sibley was inducted as a Berkeley Rotarian last Wednesday. She is the Director of Marketing for Senior Alternatives, which is a boutique agency that provides care management and home care services for the elderly. Their office relocated from Oakland to Berkeley in the Fall of 2023. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and brings over 24 years of experience in the senior living industry.



Veronica got her start as a Marketing Director for Aegis of Moraga in 1999 working with families who moved their loved ones into assisted living and memory care. Before joining Senior Alternatives in 2022, Veronica held several positions as a Regional Sales Manager, most recently leading a sales team at Senior Resource Group in the Bay Area. Driven to improve outcomes and moving business forward, she is a trusted advisor and coach to sales team members. She is a skilled facilitator with analytical and problem-solving abilities and a clear understanding of the issues seniors face today. She is also a sought-after speaker who has shared many topics with a variety of audiences.

Veronica was born in Guatemala and is proficient in Spanish. She lives in Sausalito with her dog Gigio and is excited to join Rotary in its service and to forge closer ties with the community.

Welcome to Berkeley Rotary, Veronica!

## A Visit to Evanston

By Anne Pardee



In 2015, I was in Chicago for another function and thought I might as well visit RI Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. Turns out it was such an unbelievable and remarkable experience and gave me an incredible sense of the historical and international importance of this organization we all belong to. I also have renewed appreciation for the magnitude of the administrative detail that goes into making the projects we devise as single clubs actually

happen. I definitely recommend any member who can, to take advantage of the opportunity afforded by District 5160's meeting in Evanston this October 5-9, 2024. Plus, Chicago has a lot going for it too - and some of the events planned for the conference hit all the right spots!

For more information on visiting RI World Headquarters, see <http://on.rotary.org/3W2bFR1>.

## Where in the World Is . . .

**Pate and Judy Thomson?**



Manzanita Lake, Mt. Lassen Nat'l Park, California

**Anne Pardee and Steve Beckendorf?**



Well, they're back now, but this was taken from their hotel room, a view of where the Chicago River meets Lake Michigan.

**Arlene and Maury Marcus?**



Deschutes River, Oregon, right in front of the Marcus's cabin in Bend.

**Traveling?** Send a photo to Irene at [hgrty@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hgrty@sbcglobal.net) so we know where in the world you are! (Note: It's OK to put yourself in the photo.)

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