



# e-Revolutions

Berkeley Rotary Club

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## Speakers

**October 30, 2024**

[Veronica Sibley](#)

"Balancing Act: Navigating the Challenges of the Sandwich Generation"

**November 06, 2024**

[PE Jason Russell, BRC Foundation Chair](#)

"The Rotary Foundation: Doing Good in the World"

**November 13, 2024**

[Tommy Lee Wallace](#)

"Who Makes Horror Films?"

**November 20, 2024**

[Grier Graff and Tina Etcheverry](#)

"Dollars and Sense: How Berkeley Rotary Endowment Supports Our Community and Our World"

**November 27, 2024**

[No Meeting!](#)

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## Events

October 30th

[Civil Discourse Meeting via Zoom](#)

October 31st

[Grants Application Deadline Extended](#)

November 2nd

[Fundraiser: Rota-Mixer Brunch for Cal Rotaract](#)

November 6th

[Supportive Housing Committee Meeting via Zoom](#)

November 8th

[Glass Sculpting Class](#)

November 9th

[Dedication of the George Luna Classrooms](#)

November 14th

[Supportive Housing](#)

## Club Announcements

**Next Meeting.** Wednesday, October 30, 2024 (at First Pres and via Zoom), 12:30 PM PT: Veronica Sibley, Director of Marketing at Senior Alternatives, will present "**Balancing Act: Navigating the Challenges of the Sandwich Generation.**" She will explore the unique challenges faced by the sandwich generation—those who find themselves caring for aging parents or family members while supporting their own children. Veronica will delve into strategies for balancing these dual responsibilities, including time management techniques, resources for support, and the importance of self-care. The speaker is provided by the BRC Central America Team; David Wilson and Veronica Sibley, Captains.



**What Do You Say?** Hosted by the BRC Peace Committee, the next in a series of Civil Discourse meetings is on October 30, 2024, via Zoom, from 2:30-3:45 PM PT. **Topic:** "Who will win the presidential election? And what will happen after election day?" Email Dan Thomas ([dthomas@tc-associates.com](mailto:dthomas@tc-associates.com)) for the Zoom link.

**Deadline Extended!** The deadline for submitting Rotary grant proposals has been extended to Thursday, October 31, 2024. For more information and an application form, go to [Rotary Club of Berkeley](#) and/or contact Grier Graff ([gg@graffarchitects.com](mailto:gg@graffarchitects.com)).



**Fundraiser.** Come to the Rota-Mixer Brunch for Cal Rotaract on Saturday, November 2, 2024, from 10 AM-12 PM, at Joan and Fred Collignon's home (2925 Russell St, Berkeley). There will be pancakes! Tickets: \$20/person, payable at the next meeting, via Venmo @Rotaract5160, or at the door. Questions? Contact Fred Collignon ([fcollig@berkeley.edu](mailto:fcollig@berkeley.edu)).

**Save the Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024, 10 AM- 12 PM.** Join us for the Dedication of the George Luna Classrooms at the EM Downer Early Learning Center, 263 South 20th Street, Richmond.

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

November 20th

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

## Birthdays

Joanne Dickerson-Harper

October 29th

Ilya Khanykov

November 1st

Joan Collignon

November 3rd

Pate D. Thomson

November 5th

Elizabeth Holl Tyler

November 16th

Maurice Gene Marcus

November 19th

Jonathan DeYoe

November 24th

Leslie A. Levy

November 26th

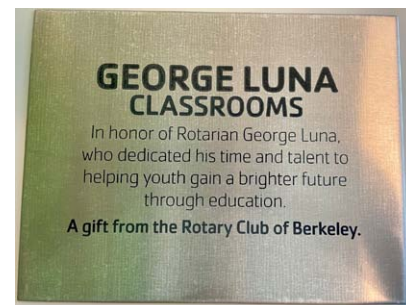
John J. O'Dea

November 27th

James Brenneman

November 27th

Questions? Contact O'Neil Dillon  
([oneilsdillon@gmail.com](mailto:oneilsdillon@gmail.com)).



## Glass Sculpting Class



**Join us for a class in glass sculpting on Friday, November 8, 1 PM, at the Slow Burn Glass Studio, 833 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Unit A, Richmond.**

Club members who visited last year had a wonderful time watching glass being sculpted and then creating their own keepsake: a paperweight, heart, flower, bird, or egg. The process uses various tools to shape molten glass into a solid sculpture. (This does not involve glassblowing.) The class is for a maximum of 12 persons (no children), \$50 each, payable on site. The studio is easy to find, and nearby parking is available. Sign up at the next club meeting or email Arlene Marcus ([arlenebmarcus@gmail.com](mailto:arlenebmarcus@gmail.com)).

## Girls Garage: Building Competence and Confidence

By Douglas Fielding

Girl's Garage, started in 2013 and located off Second Street in Berkeley, is an innovative design and construction school that teaches carpentry, welding, architecture, and activist art to girls and gender-expansive youth ages 9-18. Kristy Higaes, Director of Development, spoke to Rotary last week about the work that the nonprofit has done over the years.

The program serves about 190 girls each year, many of whom return year after year. The program is divided into younger children, "The Littles," and older children who are in high school and have acquired skills they learned in the program. Once the girls learn some skills, they start working on projects that are of benefit to a wide range of nonprofits throughout the US. These projects range from covered bus stops—including a bookshelf—in Vermont to a wooden cat sculpture for Berkeley Animal Care Services. They have built planter boxes and picnic tables for Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP), which serves people with physical disabilities and visual impairments. Just this summer, they built a beautiful, slatted shade house for Petaluma Bounty, which provides space for a community garden. [Read More](#)



## International Service Opportunity: Wheelchairs to Mexico

The following message has been sent out to all Rotarians in our district from District Governor Dan Gerald.



I am super excited to announce that the first Wheelchair Distribution trip has been scheduled to take place in Monterrey, Mexico, from March 5<sup>th</sup> through March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. And the additional exciting news is that the trip is open to all District members. Past Rotary International Director Brad Howard, of Howard Tours, which is well known for organizing international Rotary service projects, has scheduled an incredible trip for our members. It will combine wheelchair distribution, additional service opportunities, and fellowship events with Rotarians from both District 5160 and from Monterrey, Mexico. It will also include luxury hotel accommodation and several sightseeing opportunities. The [attachment](#) provides further details and pricing information.

This is an incredible opportunity for our District Rotarians to take part in a Rotary International Service project, while traveling in style and enjoying the fellowship only available in Rotary. So please join us as we improve lives on this adventure.

Yours in Rotary service,

Dan  
Dan Gerald  
District Governor 2024-2025  
Rotary District 5160

## Where in the World Is . . .

Linda Cogozzo?



The peripatetic Ms. Cogozzo is at the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sophia, Madrid, viewing Picasso's famous painting, *Guernica*.

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