



NorCA CHAPTER 50th ANNIVERSARY PARTY and MEETING
Explorers as Humanitarians
February 25, 2023 from 5 – 8PM
650 W. Tower Avenue, Alameda, CA

50 years ago, “the San Francisco Bay Area members of the Explorers Club held a dinner meeting. At that time it was unanimously decided to form a local group of members.” So began a letter from Charles de Y. Elkus to Mr. Peter Wood, Executive Director of the Explorers Club that announced formation of the Northern California group as an official part of the Club. 27 people, were present at the dinner, including wives, girlfriends, and guests, but the men who were members left briefly to hold the first business meeting. Since then, we’ve had hundreds of dinner meetings, a hundred or more holiday and summer parties, some gala dinners, more than a thousand amazing members, and lots to celebrate.

Join us on February 25th to recognize many of our members accomplishments, hear from several explorers about their humanitarian efforts and speculate on the exploration feats that will be hallmarks of the next 50 years of exploration.

Deep Ocean Exploration and Research (DOER) will open its workshop for our celebration. It’s an active and interesting work area. But, be warned, wires and equipment are everywhere and there is no indoor heat, so wear comfortable, close-toed shoes and dress warmly.

50th Anniversary Party
February 25, 2023; 5 – 8 PM

Place: Deep Ocean Exploration and Research (DOER); 650 W. Tower Avenue, Alameda, CA

Program

5:00 – 6:30 – Nibbles and drinks; social time and tours of DOER

6:30 – 7:15 Program

Celebration of NorCA's First 50 Years

Explorers as Humanitarians

Liz Taylor and/or Sylvia Earle: Welcome to DOER

Mikkel Vestergaard Frandsen, LifeStraw, Sceye, Humanitarian Philanthropist

Angela Abshier, Sail to Shelter

Jimmy Friedman, Aikido Training for One Million Indian Women

Peggy Callahan, Voices 4 Freedom, Mission Joy

Sylvia Earle and/or Lesley Ewing: Closing Remarks

7:15 – 8:00 – Cake cutting and more social time

8 PM – Move conversations across the street to Almanac for more food and drinks

\$39 before February 17th; \$25 for students, \$50 for everyone after February 17th.
Due to space constraints, we must limit attendance to 60 people, including speakers.

To sign up and make reservations online, go to www.explorersnorca.org,

To mail in your reservations, send checks to Anna Freitas

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call Anna at 925-457-6424 or send an email to: treasurer@explorersnorca.org.

Alameda is an interesting area. We have not organized any field trips, but, if you want to make a day of it, here are some things to do near DOER:

USS Hornet Museum (advance reservations needed)

Alameda Naval Air Museum

Alameda Waterfront Park

Crown Beach