



Rotary



Club of Long Beach



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Club Meeting

Long Beach
Meets at THE GRAND
4101 E Willow Street
Long Beach, CA 90815
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

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Victor 'Vic' Ira McCarty

*Rotary Club of Long Beach
President #68 (1984-1985)*

54+ Year Rotarian

Scholarship Foundation Annual Donor

Graveside Service

November 12 - 2:30pm

Forest Lawn Cypress

4471 Lincoln Avenue

Attendees are welcome to speak during the service

This Week's Program

<p>Wednesday, October 26</p> <p>Rotary Club of Long Beach</p> <p>5,000th Meeting</p> <p>12:00 Noon - LUNCH 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Program</p>	
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5,000th Meeting

By Randy W. Gordon



On Wednesday, October 26, our Club will hold its 5,000th meeting in its nearly 105-year history. I want to thank President Alfredo Velasco for this incredible opportunity to research the fascinating history of our Club. I have been reading through bound RotaryGrams from 1921 through 2007. I followed the Club through two World Wars and the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. We've had unbelievable speakers through the years including famous politicians, dozens of Rear Admirals, Ted Turner, Ronald Reagan, Betty Ford, several RI Presidents, and British Parliament members. It's been such a journey and my head is filled with so much history. I've tried to document it the best I can.

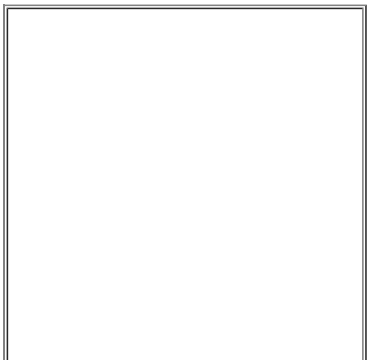
Past Presidents Russ Hill, Craig Dougherty, Jayne Lastusky, Frank Newell and Matt Kinley will share gems from their approximate twenty-year period. Twelve Past Presidents will be involved in the meeting.


Everyone in attendance will receive a complimentary commemorative keepsake coin, courtesy of the following Rotarians who sponsored the coins: Rhiannon Acree, Mollie Beck, George Bell, Craig Cross, Vali DeVries, Greg Gill, Randy Gordon, Robyn Gordon-Peterson, Steve Hockett, Steve Keesal, Matt Kinley, Adriana Lanting, Whit Latimer, Bob Luskin, Frank Newell, Greg Owen, Gail Schwandner, Steve Shaw, Dennis Smith and Alfredo Velasco.

Please do yourself a favor. Come and listen to our Club's incredible history. You will be able *'to both have and eat your cake'!*

Rotary Connections - JOIN US!

By Gregory Haeseler





Rotary Connections

Home of Steve and Priscilla Hockett

Thursday, October 27

5:30-7:00

*Do you know anyone that might be interested in joining Rotary?
All are Welcome!*

Come and meet new prospects - and bring a bottle of wine!

Check your emails to RSVP on the Evite

Welcome...

By **Matthew L. Kinley**



Welcome **Jens Rosmus** to the RCLB!

New member Jens Rosmus is new to our Club, but he's not new to Rotary. He is a past member of the Thunderbird Rotaract Club in Arizona and a member of the Rotary Club of Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, where he was involved with mentorship of youth. He's also been active in Habitat to Humanity and his church.

Jens is originally from Odenberg, Germany and now resides in Belmont Shore. He started his education in Germany and completed his MBA in International Finance and Operations Management at Thunderbird University in Phoenix. He's worked at multiple positions in worldwide corporations including notably American Honda in Torrance and Dell. While at Dell, he was tasked with creating a global shared services network in places like China, India and Morocco, and many other places. Jens is also an instructor in the German language. He is now Corporate Controller at Virgin Orbit in Long Beach.

As a testament to the power of Rotary, Jens was introduced to Virgin Orbit's CEO, Dan Hart, when he spoke to our Club.

Jens' daughter, Hannah, is a student at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. focusing on International Relations. In November, Jens will be traveling to New York to celebrate with his daughter as she receives recognition from the German government for her abilities in the German language. From there, he will travel to Europe to witness Virgin Orbit's commercial satellite launch, a first in Europe.

When you see him, please take a moment to welcome Jens to our Club!

Welcome...

By **Vali DeVries**



I am so happy to introduce my good friend, **Lori Dwight**.

You may have recently heard, at one of our meetings, that she is a living miracle as a survivor of pancreatic cancer. Ask her about her journey sometime, it is quite amazing!

Lori lives in Huntington Beach with her hubby, Steve, and their son Langdon. She is also Step-Mom to Becky, Zach & Amanda, and Grandma to Benjamin who is 18.

Lori was a member of the Rotary Club of Lakewood for 3 years while running her State Farm Agency. Lori was then recruited into Management with State Farm, and had a very successful management career for 14 years in the South Bay Area.

She then decided to go back into the trenches and opened her insurance office on Ocean Blvd in Long Beach, just this past spring.

If you are confused by another State Farm office with the last name Dwight, Steve, her husband, has had his office on Anaheim Street for the past 45 years.

Lori, Steve, my husband Dave and I have traveled the world together. We have enjoyed wine in places like Paris, Barcelona, and Munich. The four of us have gone on a dog sled ride in Alaska, body surfed in Maui and sang songs on our bus rides through Vienna. Many world problems have been deeply discussed, yet never solved by the four of us.

My favorite characteristic of Lori is her kind and giving heart. Along with her involvement at Grace Lutheran Church, Lori loves giving back to the men and women of Peppermint Ridge. I know she will become an active member in our Club, just as she was with Lakewood Rotary, and The John Tracy League. Lori has already committed to being a part of our Camp Enterprise gang!

You will love getting to know this sweet, sassy, caring, wonderful wife, mother, and one of my true friends.

Welcome Lori!

Don't Miss Out!

By Marnee Brooks

Our customized **Rotary Club of Long Beach Polo Shirts** are ready to order! These soft collared blue polo shirts come in all sizes in either a Men's style (\$27) or - for the first time - a Women's style (\$26).

You and your family will be proud to wear this shirt when representing our Club in the community and at our various functions!

[Click on this link for an order form!](#)



Feeding the Future - Save the Date – Wednesday, November 2

By Leslie Wiberg

Long Beach Rotary has made a commitment to support the success of all students. But how can a college student succeed when food compromised and hungry? Nearly 1 in 4 college students are food insecure, and currently our college food pantries are now struggling to keep up with the demand.

On Wednesday, November 2, you will have an opportunity to participate in the gathering for our **Fourth Annual Grab and Go** event. During the regularly scheduled Rotary lunch meeting, we will work in The Grand's Ballroom to fill 1500 bags with food and hygiene items. The packed bags will then be distributed to the food pantries for students at both Long Beach City College and CSU Long Beach.

The need has never been greater! If you wish to participate, we are looking for volunteers to:

- Arrive as early as 9 am to assist in stocking the assembly tables at The Grand.
- Lunch available between 11:15 am – 12:30 pm. Arrive early and fill bags after you have eaten.
- Stay after 1:30 pm and assist in loading the bags to be transported to the schools.

This is a terrific opportunity to work closely with other Rotarians for a worthy cause and get to know our many new members. We encourage you to dress casually, wear your Rotary shirt or get a second use out of your Halloween costume.

Lunch reservations are still required to be submitted to Madrid by Friday, October 28th.

Please contact Diane Donaldson at 562.243.7682 or DianeLDonaldson@gmail.com if you can volunteer for set-up or clean-up.



New Member Proposal

The following is being proposed as a member of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. His name is hereby submitted to the membership for a 10-day period as required by the Bylaws. Any comments can be addressed to the President or the Executive Director of the Club during this 10-day period.

Randy Lindros - VP/Sr. Relationship Mgr., Citizens Business Bank

Proposed Classification: Banking

Proposed by: Brian Russell and Steve Keesal

October 26th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
 The 5,000 Meeting of the Rotary Club of Long Beach

October 27th
[Rotary Connections](#)
 For membership prospects
 Connect with Long Beach Rotary

November 2nd
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Topic: Feeding the Future
Action: Assemble the bags for LBCC/CSULB students during our Rotary lunch

November 8th
[5 O'Clock Somewhere - The Wine Country](#)
 Wine Tasting for the Holidays
 Hosted by Randy Kemner

November 9th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: LB Rotary Scholarship Foundation Day
Subject: Dr. Beth Manke - Creating Opportunities for Local Students

November 12th
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

November 15th
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

November 16th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
 Bruin & Trojan Big Game Debate

November 17th
[Business Breakfast Roundtable](#)
Speaker: Jeremy Harris - CEO, LB Chamber
Subject: How Election Results Will Affect Your Business

November 23rd
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: DARK for Thanksgiving Holiday

No RCLB Birthdays This Week

Club Leadership - Click Name to Send a Message



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Communications Director



[Rayne Sherman, FIIDA, CID, CSI](#)
Career Service Director



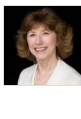
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President-nominee



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Club Executive Secretary



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Rotary Foundation Chair

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