



This Week's Program


Wednesday, February 24 - Join Us via ZOOM

ChildNet - Helping Vulnerable Youth

Kathy Hughes, President/CEO
ChildNet Youth and Family Services, Inc.

12:15 p.m. - Dial In to ZOOM
Dial In Details Will Be Sent

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Program Via ZOOM



Kathy Hughes, MA, MFT, began her highly successful career with ChildNet Youth and Family Services (ChildNet) in 1986. Prior to being named President/Chief Executive Officer in 2011, she served as case manager (1986), clinician (1990), treatment director (1992) and program director (1997) for the Long Beach Youth Home, formerly a division of ChildNet.

She began her climb up the corporate ladder in 1998 as Special Projects Director. In 2000, she was promoted to Vice President of Community-Based Services, followed by a promotion to Chief Operations Officer in 2009. She provided oversight of all ChildNet programs including Behavioral Health Services, Foster Care, Adoptions and Wraparound/Family Support Services.

After beginning her ChildNet employment in an entry level position 34 years ago, she is honored to provide ultimate oversight of the organization as the President/Chief Executive Officer.

During her tenure with ChildNet, Ms. Hughes has been an integral part of the growth and expansion of the organization. She possesses excellent leadership skills and has been instrumental in policy development and program implementation.

Ms. Hughes earned a BA in Psychology (1983) and an MA in Clinical Community Psychology (1985) both from CSU Dominguez Hills. She holds a Marriage, Family Therapist (MFT) license

President 104's Post #33

Matt Kinley



THE MOUSE THAT ROARED & BLACK HISTORY MONTH

In the late 1970s, the *eight-member* Rotary Club of Duarte, CA granted active membership to three women, violating Rotary International's constitution. RI's Board of Directors soon revoked the Club's charter, and a decade-long legal battle ensued. The Duarte Club sued Rotary International claiming that RI's rule disallowing women violated the Unruh Act, California's basic civil rights law. RI claimed that Rotarians had, under the First Amendment of the Constitution, the right of free association. The United States Supreme Court in *Rotary Int'l v. Rotary Club of Duarte* ruled that RI could not disallow women. The Court recognized that Rotary Clubs, like similar organizations, perform useful and important community services. It also found that at that time, women made up a large portion of the workforce. More than that, Rotary Clubs are business associations and California's statute appropriately protects against discrimination against women, especially so that women could have access to a group devoted in some respect to information and sharing about business.

While it's amazing that it took until 1987 for Rotary to allow women, a tiny Rotary Club located at the intersection of the 605 and 210 freeways (where *nothing* ever happens) made all the difference. Today, RI is one of the most diverse organizations in the world, with clubs in every corner of the world. RI's expressed policy is to be open and inclusive, fair to all, building goodwill for all of our communities. This is smart. Communities are always changing and failure to diversify would mean declining relevance and membership. Even more so, instituting such a policy is the right thing to do.

I am proud to belong to the RCLB. Our Club quickly reacted in 1987 and immediately inducted women into our Club. Women have taken leadership roles for decades. We are a much better club because we better reflect our community. Women have brought new energy and priorities to our Club. It is not an exaggeration to say that women saved the RCLB.

I know that every member supports our efforts to better reflect our community. Since its founding, the RCLB has worked to support underserved communities in Long Beach, providing scholarships, supporting students and families at Christmas. We recently have supported drives for food insecure students at LBCC and CSULB. Our work has made our

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community a better place.

For Black History Month, let's focus our efforts to better represent all segments of our business community and cultural leaders. Long Beach is known as one of the most diverse communities in the nation. We can better reach out to the Black community. We also can reach out to our vibrant Cambodian community, the Hispanic community and the LGBTQ population.

We must do this so we can stay relevant. New members from diverse communities will direct our service and add energy to our efforts. We will add new and important relationships. Adding diverse members will assure that we continue to be one of the largest Rotary Clubs in the world.

But so much more than that, we must reach out to our community because it's the right thing to do. If an eight-member club from Duarte can change the world, think of what our 275-member club can do.

In the News

Rotary Meetings - What's Up!

THIS Week @ Rotary

Churchill Moment w/Bond Nichols
BirthDay - Genevieve Brill Murphy
Recognitions - Hockett/Barry and Suny Lay Chang
Program - Helping Vulnerable Youth

Breakouts

Rotary Revealed - Thursday, February 25th - 6:00 PM

Rotary Roots - March 10 - Remember to Sign Up NOW!

Rotary International Conventions - Great Opportunities!

We were unable to attend the **2020 RI Convention in Honolulu** but Did You Know... that we all have access to the sessions, breakouts and speakers online? [Click here](#) if you wish to review the many topics and video opportunities!

The **2021 RI Convention (12-16 June, 2021)** which was planned for **Taipei** also will be virtual this year. Watch [this site](#) for opportunities to attend the Convention virtually!

March Membership Madness

By **Mark Guillen**, Membership Service Director

The whistle has been blown, and we are off to an exciting start to our **1st Annual March Membership Madness**. Teams are beginning to rally, and phones are ringing to invite prospective new members to over 14 club events scheduled through the next 5 weeks of Madness!

On Thursday night, the **Rotary Rebels**, **Wooden Warriors**, **Middle-aged Mutant Ninja Turtles** and others chose their teams. If you were chosen, expect a phone call from your captain. It's not too late to sign up as a captain, or to join a team.

Remember to email Madrid - madrid@rotarylongbeach.org - to inform her of your interest. Points will begin to tally starting at the next Rotary Lunch Meeting on February 24th. Don't miss out on the fun!

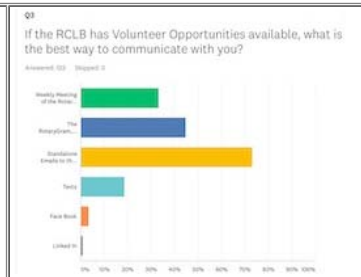
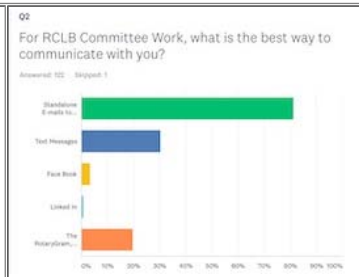
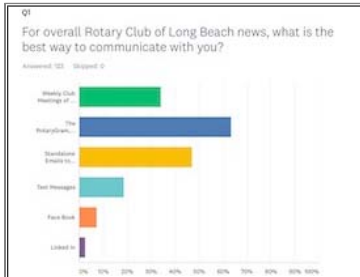


RCLB Communications Survey Results - 123 Responses

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Freda Hinsche-Orto
International Service Director

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Membership Service Director

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Youth Service Director

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Dennis C. Smith
President - elect

Alfredo Velasco
President -nominee

Michele A. Dobson
President -designate

Madrid Zimmerman
Club Executive Director
Club Executive Secretary

Dan Ouweleen
Assistant Governor

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Aaron Anthony Blackburn
February 25th

Kristian Gragson
February 26th

Valerie J. Owen
February 27th

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

24th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Kathy Hughes, ChildNet Youth and Family Services President/CEO
Subject: HELPING VULNERABLE YOUTH

25th - **Rotary Revealed**

March

3rd - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Reena Hajat Carroll, CCEJ CEO
Subject: RACISM and HEALING

9th - **Malaria Partners - Focus on Africa**
Speaker: Adriana Lanting
Subject: Medical Mission to Zambia - UPDATE

10th - **ROTARY ROOTS Lunch Program - Spring 2021**

11th - **5 O'Clock Somewhere**
Speaker: The RCLB Virtual Mixer
Subject: Happy Hour with Friends!

13th - **Centennial Park Clean-Up**

16th - **RCLB Board of Directors**

17th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Steve Goodling, LBCVB CEO
Subject: COVID IMPACT ON CVB AND FUTURE

18th - **Business Breakfast Roundtable**
Speaker: Wayne Slavitt
Subject: Business Succession Planning

18th - **Discover Rotaract**

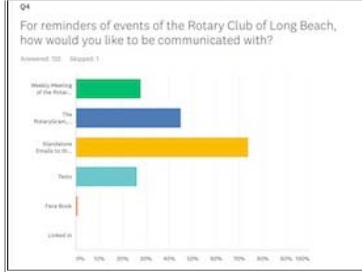
24th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: John Bishop, Long Beach Memorial Medical Center CEO
Subject: COVID HOSPITAL UPDATES

28th - **Ronald McDonald House Meal Prep**

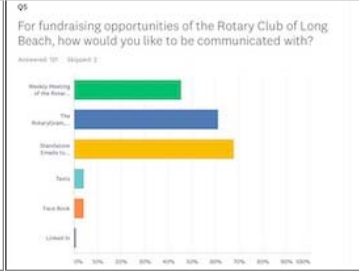
31st - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Janet Robert, Retired Educator
Subject: KINDNESS

April

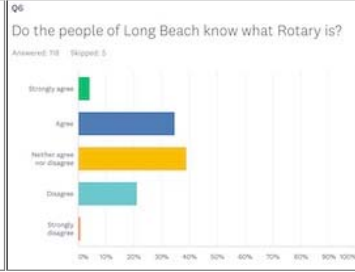
7th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**



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Q5
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Q6
Strongly Agree
Agree
Neither Agree Nor Disagree
Disagree
Strongly Disagree

The 2022 Rotary Peace Fellowship

By Diane 'Dee' Wood

APPLICATIONS FOR ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS
 NOW OPEN

What a great opportunity for the right, focused young professional! This Fellowship covers tuition and living expenses for 130 fellows selected every year globally in a competitive process.

The goal is to increase the capacity of existing leaders to prevent and resolve conflict. They are provided academic training, field experience, and professional networking. Fellows will earn a master's degree or a certificate in peace and development studies at one of seven Rotary Peace Centers, located at leading universities around the world. There are already 1,400 program alumni working in more than 115 countries as leaders in a variety of organizations, education, research and law enforcement.

Qualified candidates must have three years of related work experience for the master's program. They also need to have a bachelor's degree and demonstrate leadership skills. Applications for the 2022-23 academic term need to be submitted by May 15, 2021.

If YOU, as a Rotarian, know someone who might be a good candidate for this fellowship, please let us know with their name and email address! We will contact them with information on how to apply. Thank you for supporting this program!

For more information please click [on this link](#) and [this website](#).

Dee Wood dwood9119@gmail.com



Did You Know... RCLB President #58, Jim Willingham

By Cam Doherty Killingsworth

LARGER THAN LIFE

That is what Jim Willingham (*Uncle Jim to me growing up*) was. He called me Cammie, one of only three people ever to call me that (*all Rotarians - Jim, Marvin Cloyd and Bob Maxson*) maybe a Southern thing

At 18, when I had a budget and a wish list for a car that no doubt exceeded that, he helped me select my first car, and ensured that it was just what I wanted!

What stands out the most is the way he made you feel. When he saw anyone, his focus was on them. How are you? How are your folks? What's new? This held true up to the last time I saw him when Brad, Jim, Betty and I sat together at Tom Ramsey's Memorial in 2019. His interest and questions were still about anyone who came to the table to say hello. He was a magnet. It was a treasured lesson to watch him in action.

HOW IT BEGAN...

It's true that many times in our lives it's the misfortune, the happening at the time, that seems insurmountable, even tragic. It's to that time that we can look back and say it was the best thing that could have happened to me. Our RCLB 58th President said that an ankle broken while playing football was a blessing in disguise.

President Jim was a P.K. preacher's kid. Born in Risco, Missouri, he graduated from Ada, OK High School after some 18 different homes as his father moved from pastorage to pastorage not an unusual experience for a preacher's kid. It was this experience that taught him to meet all kinds of people to give him a head start as a salesman. After service as an aerial gunner in the US Marines, Jim played football, on a scholarship, at Missouri including the Gator Bowl Game in 1949. But the following football season, he broke his ankle playing Colorado and started his CA experience by hitchhiking here with \$60 in his pockets. He majored in petroleum geology in college but found his first job selling women's shoes.



But the salesmanship he learned in his youth lead him to a field more to his liking automobiles joining a Studebaker agency in 1950 - from used cars, to new cars, to assistant sales manager, to new car sales manager.

In 1960 he bought into and changed the name to Boulevard Buick one of the largest automobile agencies and largest Buick service departments west of the Mississippi.

In the automobile business, he was a legend.

[Read More](#)

- 8th - 5 O'Clock Somewhere
Speaker: The RCLB Virtual Mixer
Subject: Happy Hour with Friends!
- 10th - Centennial Park Clean-Up
- 13th - Rotary Goal to Eliminate Polio
Speaker: Greg Owen and Greg Haeseler
- 14th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
- 17th - Feeding the Future - Grab'n'Go Food Packaging Event
- 20th - RCLB Board of Directors
- 21st - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: Mea Lath, Managing Director - Khmer Arts Academy
- 28th - Weekly RCLB Meeting

May

- 5th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
- 8th - Centennial Park Clean-Up
- 11th - Global Grant Scholars
Speaker: Dee Wood
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- 30th - Ronald McDonald House Meal Prep

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