



This Week's Program

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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Wednesday, April 13

Horses for Forces*

Joan Blank - Founder, Executive Director
Dream Catcher LA Therapeutic Riding Centers**

**12:00 Noon - LUNCH
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Program**



** What is Therapeutic/Adaptive Horseback Riding, Hippotherapy and Equine Assisted Therapy?*

***Founder, Executive Director, PATH, International Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor and Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning, EAGALA Certified, M.A.*

Joan Blank built her business expertise in the Fashion Industry working as a designer, merchandiser, salesperson and owner. She traveled extensively to major domestic and international markets, bringing back new and innovative ideas. Joan received a Master's Degree from N.Y.U. including a minor in Psychology and a teaching certificate. After 25 years of a successful career, she returned to school to study Equine Management at Pierce College. While volunteering at a Therapeutic Riding Center, Joan found her passion. Seeing there was more of need in the Long Beach and the Los Angeles areas, Joan decided to launch Dream Catcher LA.

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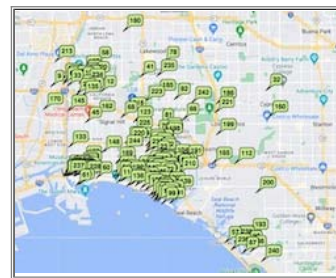
President 105's Post #39

By Dennis C. Smith



In the past few weeks, we've heard from Blair Cohn and Kris Hammond, the Executive Directors of the Business Improvement Districts for Bixby Knolls and Zaferia, respectively.

I was wondering how many of our members in the past years have ventured into either of these areas for shopping, dining, entertainment and/or other businesses. Then I wondered how many have ventured further west of Zaferia or north of Bixby Knolls. Over the years, with my curiosity in gear, I looked at this map a few times:



It is a map with most of our Rotary members' registered addresses. It may be a bit tough to see, but the overwhelming majority of our members are in Belmont Shore, Belmont Heights, Alamitos Heights, and Downtown. The latter may not be surprising as most of those are business addresses.

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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 By-laws. Any comments can be addressed to the President or the Executive Director of the Club during this 10-day period.

Efren Baca - Western Building Maintenance/Real Estate Investor

Proposed classification: Real Estate - Investor/Property Owner-Manager

Proposed by: Don Cochran and Dennis Smith

Another Successful Camp Enterprise Completed After the Two Year COVID Hiatus

By Andy C. McFarland and Henry Fung

Fifty-nine energetic high school students and a host of knowledgeable Rotarians participated in the **2022 Camp Enterprise Program**. The group met at The Grand early Wednesday (3/30) for Orientation. Following lunch with more Rotarians, they boarded the buses for Camp Oaks. On the way to Big Bear patches of snow were seen along the side of the road. About six miles before Camp Oaks, one of the buses experienced overheating and had to pull over to the side of the road. While the students enjoyed a snack break and stretched their legs for a while, the other bus dropped off its passengers and returned to take the stranded passengers to their destination.

Camp Enterprise is one of our Rotary's signature activities which provides high school students the opportunity to learn to work as a team to create and communicate a potential business plan with all the components required to be sustainable and successful including the company vision, marketing plan, operations, and finance.

Students selected to participate in 2022 Camp Enterprise attend the following high schools:

Avalon – Arlene Cazares-Garcia, Jasmine Hernandez, Julissa Herera-Hernandez, Brinly Jewett and Julissa Padilla.

Browning – Miranda Baer, Stephanie Guzman, Samson Leifi and Lumeria So.

Cabrillo – Richard Garcia, Avin Guerrero and Fernanda Marrufo.

CAMS -- John Adams, Glennalyn Alaras, Sonia Cruze, Isabella Dourigan, Kinah France, Nikash Gounder, Isabel Lau, Edward Morales, Emily Reyes and Bella Zapata.

Lakewood – Jean Kim, Mareck Monroy, Mason Monroy, Makayla Palmer-Reyes, Nathaniel Rice and Hannah Townsend.

LB Poly – Savannah Gray, Taylor McEachin and Nehe'mya Wise.

McBride – Jhordyn Belcher, Michael Boren, Tia Breaux, India Cathcart, Anaiya Hale, Nicole Marshall and Shilah Walker.

Millikan – Jasmine Baldwin, Delonge Blackshire, Jazmin Bravo, Isaac Breland, Jordan Caceres, Isabella Harper, Alicia Landa, Jaylynn Lara, Xanna Palafox-Rosas, Ajay Patel, Jayden Sandstrom and Logan Vallianos-Healy.

Reid – Dymond Thomas

Sato – Alana Gascon, Phillip Devirian, Tosh Martinez and Maxwell Tucker-Bernal.

Wilson – Rolando Carpio, James Donis, Kariza Ignacio and Great Okwuoha.

Camp Enterprise was led by **Andy McFarland** for the seventh and final time and many Rotarians were involved to make the Camp a success. The Rotarians who greeted, mentored, and/or reunited this year's Camp Enterprise alumni with their families (on Friday) included **Ahmet Atahan, Tina Barry, Mollie Beck, Aaron Blackburn, Marnee Brooks, Don Cochran, Kay Cofield, Shel-lee Davis, Denise Dahlhausen, Vali DeVries, Rich Gibson, John Graham, Juan Huizar, Mark Kachigan, Walter Larkins, Willetta McCulloh, Braden Phillips, Lisa Ramelow, Mike Rivard, Rayne Sherman, Dan Tapia, Conor Weir, Dale Whitney, Lynne Wainfan, Leslie Wiberg, Karen Wიდerynski and Nancy Zwiers**. Special thanks to **Madrid Zimmerman** and **Jennifer Santos** for helping to coordinate the many pieces of Camp Enterprise. Our appreciation also to **Matt Garcia** (Director), the **Camp Oaks Staff**, and our **Camp Counselors**. The accompanying photograph taken by **Dan Tapia**.



Feeding the Future – Grab and Go

By Leslie Wiberg and Tina Barry

On Saturday, March 26, **33 Rotarians** and **8 Rotaract members from CSULB** gathered at Long Beach City College to pack 1,300 string bags with food and hygiene items. Thanks to a \$16,000 grant from Rotary, a variety of high needs food and hygiene items filled the bags.

Set-up began at 8 am, and all bags were packed by 11:30 am. **Justin Mendez**, the Basic Needs Coordinator at LBCC assisted **Christina Limon** from CSULB in loading the bags designated for the ASI Beach Pantry. Both expressed their deep gratitude to our club for helping those students who don't know where their next meal will come from.

Special thanks to:

- **Kia**, the owner of the Grocery Outlet on 7th Street for working with **Solimar Salas** and **Sarah Soriano** on providing discounts on food products.
- **Tina and Paul Berry** for picking up and storing items in their garage.
- **Diane Donaldson** for coordinating the volunteers.
- **Mu Zhang** of Encore Awards for overseeing the purchase of the string bags while waiving her overhead costs.
- **All the volunteers** who came out and worked hard to make this a great day!



Upcoming Events - Click Title for More Info and for Meeting RSVP

April 13th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Joan Blank - Dream Catcher of LA
Subject: Horses for Forces

April 27th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Randy Shrewsberry
Subject: Reimagining Police Training in the 21st Century

April 14th
[5 O'Clock Somewhere Mixer](#)

May 4th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Ana Nogales - Casa de la Familia
Subject: Human Trafficking

April 19th
[RCLB Board Meeting](#)

April 20th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Mark Whicker
Subject: Sports Columnist

Birthdays This Week - Click Name to Send a Greeting



[Jean Bixby Smith](#)
April 14th



[Andrew J. Barber](#)
April 14th



[Robb Korinke](#)
April 15th



[Sofia M. Riley](#)
April 15th



[Jacqueline Padilla-Perez](#)
April 16th



[Mark Curtis](#)
April 16th



[Charles Parkin](#)
April 16th



[Stacy Rose Mungo](#)
April 18th

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