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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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This Week's Program

Wednesday, April 20

Sports Now and Then

Mark Whicker
Sports Columnist

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



Mark Whicker was a columnist at the Register for 34 years. Before that he worked in Philadelphia for the Bulletin and the Daily News for eight years, and as a columnist from 1980 until 1987. He also worked as a general assignment sports writer for the Dallas Times-Herald from 1977-78 and as a columnist for the Winston-Salem Journal from 1974-77.

He was twice named among the Associated Press 10 best sports columnists, and was named Sportswriter of the Year twice in North Carolina and once in Pennsylvania. He also was the recipient of the Nat Fleischer Award for boxing stories in 2014 and was inducted into the U.S. Basketball Writers of America Hall of Fame in 2010. Mark lives in Long Beach, CA.

President 105's Post #40

By Dennis C. Smith



What's next?

This question was asked almost every time anyone met with Shaun Lumachi, my friend, and a friend to many Rotarians. Shaun was an amazing young man. He worked with Randy Gordon at the Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, co-founded the Long Beach Post, and became a consultant on political advocacy for Chambers of Commerce members across the state.

What's next, he would ask everyone he met. It was a reminder, a prod, and a suggestion, that what you are doing is great, but what happens next.

With two and a half months left in the current Rotary year, it's time for each of us to ask ourselves, **"What's next?"** How will I be involved in our Club next year?" Some have already volunteered to lead projects, assist with programs, and/or serve in leadership positions. Others may be wondering where, what, and/or how to become involved next year.

Alfredo Velasco, our 106th President, and members of next year's Board have been working on plans for the coming year. At our May 11th and 18th meetings, they will be presenting an outline of next year's objectives, projects, events, and opportunities for our Club's members to participate.

As our 105th year draws to a close, it's a good time to ask and answer, **"What's next?"**

We are Long Beach Rotary,

Dennis

Annual Mark Bixby Easter Egg Hunt Returns with Paul Kennard Book Fair

By Katherine (Kay) Cofield and Henry Fung

The Annual Mark Bixby Memorial Easter Egg Hunt returned to beautiful Rotary Centennial Park on Saturday April 9 – with added "Paul Kennard Book Fair." Long Beach Rotary's Reading By Nine program provided neighborhood children with a free grade-level book, pencils, sharpeners, erasers, and a coloring book and crayons.

Throughout the event, volunteers provided children with an opportunity for face painting, decorating their goodie bags, and the special treat of spending time with the Easter Bunny and posing for photographs. An estimated 200 youngsters participated in the neighborhood event.



Rotarian Robyn Gordon-Peterson chairs the Centennial Park Committee. Talented, generous, and energetic Rotarian volunteers planning and working the event included Past Presidents Kay Cofield, Terry Geiling and Brian Russell; and Rotarians Tina Barry; Desmond D'Sa; Henry Fung; Shelley Hanks-Hokari; Dr. Phyllis Hayes-Reams; Lance Kenyon; Solimar Salas; Jean Bixby Smith and Sarah Soriano.

Other Rotarians joining to help with the activities included current Rotary President Dennis Smith; Past Presidents Steve Keesal and Gail Schwandner; President-elect-elect Michelle Dobson; Shel-lee Davis; Diane Donaldson; John Graham; Mike Rivard and Lynne Wainfan.



Rotary Centennial Park was created in 2005 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of Rotary International. The late Mark Bixby was the guiding inspiration for the creation and vision behind the fundraising and development of Rotary Centennial Park and built-in partnership with Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine.

Formerly a weed-choked Pacific Railway right-of-way, the Park now provides a wonderful green oasis in a congested area with very little green space for the neighboring children. The award-winning Park features an educational "planet walk", complete with an accurate sundial art feature, and the planets in our solar system.

Centennial Park was awarded the 2005 Award of Excellence by the California Park and Recreation Society, and the 'Frontline Park' Award by City Parks Alliance, a national urban park advocacy organization.

The Rotary Club of Long Beach (RCLB) is the oldest service club in Long Beach and among the top 50 largest Rotary Clubs in the world. Founded in 1917, the RCLB is comprised of approximately 250 of Long Beach's business and community leaders.



2022 Camp Enterprise GALLERY





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.

David Clark - Senior Pastor, Bay Shore Community Congregational Church

Proposed classification: Clergy

Proposed by: Diane Donaldson and Freda Hinsche Otto

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

April 19th
[RCLB Board Meeting](#)

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

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

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

May 11th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Justin Arana - Water Underground
Subject: Mozambique Water Well Projects

May 12th
[5 O'Clock Somewhere Mixer](#)

May 14th
[Centennial Park Monthly Clean-up](#)

May 16th
[Rotary Golf Tournament for World Peace](#)
Old Ranch Country Club
Shotgun start at 1:00pm

Birthdays This Week - Click Name to Send a Greeting



[Marnee Brooks](#)
April 20th



[James R. Howe](#)
April 21st



[Mu Zhang](#)
April 22nd



[Mark Schneider](#)
April 22nd



[Traci R. Glascock](#)
April 22nd



[Christopher Yeo](#)
April 23rd

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