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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, May 11**

**Cleaning California's Air: Carbon Capture at CRC**

**Jon Klein**  
Manager, California Resources Corporation

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



**Jon Klein**, a Southern California native is one of the current managers at California Resources Corporation leading the charge to a zero carbon emissions future.

He started his career at the famous Long Beach T.H.U.M.S. Islands, and has held various positions in his 15-year career.

Jon graduated from Arizona State University with an M.B.A., and built various small businesses in the community.

Jon and his teammates at C.R.C. now shift their focus to a greener future for their fellow Californians.

**President 105's Post #43**

By Dennis C. Smith



Last Thursday, a dozen Long Beach Rotarians reengaged in what was a routine, pre-pandemic activity, reading to children at a local elementary school.

At Burbank CDC (Child Development Center), 3-4 year old youngsters received books and were read to in small groups. This morning activity was organized by our Club's Reading by Nine Committee and Cindy Young, Long Unified School District's Director for Child Development Centers and Kids' Club.

It was evident that not only did Rotarians miss their engagement in the Reading Program, but so did the children. As I was walking down the hallway with Dale Whitney before the program started, I said "Hello" to a student sitting at a desk and working on a laptop. As I passed the student, who was perhaps in 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade, I saw a huge grin on her face. The reason for the happy expression was Dale.

Dale gave a warm and happy "Hello!" and then stayed to speak with the student. She was part of a pre-pandemic student group Dale read to on a regular basis. It was evident they were very happy to see each other.

Each Rotarian sat at a table with three or four students. These tables were built for four-year old children, not adults! On each table were several books and each child was asked to select a book that they would like to take home. Our Club provided a book plate, "I am a Rotary Reader! This book belongs to me!" and a place for the child's name. The looks on the children's faces were priceless when they were told that this was **their** book.



As I was reading to Maya, Katherine, and Layla and pointing out the different sea creatures in "See to Sea" (with googly-eyes!), counting octopus' legs, or worrying about what happened to Stick in "Stick and Stone," I was brought back to when my daughters were at that age. When reading with children, we point out funny pictures, ask them to find colors, highlight words and their meanings, count objects, answer questions, go back a page when they reach out and turn the page back. We are actively engaged with them as they learn to read.

This engagement clearly reinforces the importance of our Literacy Committee and Reading by Nine Program. Reading to our children is something we take for granted, but it is not part of the life for many children in our community. By offering books for children to take home, we are providing opportunities for other parents to read to their children, and as we know, as the children learn to read, they will read the books to their parents.

After reading to the students, Ms. Young shared with us the major changes in the coming year for LBUSD and schools statewide. Kindergarten classes will be going full day; with new classroom settings and instruction, schools will be bridging Early Childhood Education and Kindergarten; and after-school programs will be offered through the eighth grade. This new path for children improves primary education statewide and education experience through and beyond high school. Thankfully the state is providing the financial resources to LBUSD to create, staff, and facilities for

implementation of the new requirements. However, there is a tremendous strain on human resources to have the programs in place by the September deadline.

When the 2022-23 school year begins in August, look for announcements from the Literacy Committee for opportunities to read in our local classrooms, and sign up to spend some time in a small chair in a classroom reading about sea creatures, animated objects, challenges for boys and girls to solve, and other adventures that captivate and engage both the students and the readers.

We are Long Beach Rotary,

Dennis

## Request for Rotarian Judges

By Henry C. Fung

Available to Help Judging in Millikan High School Shark Tank?

Millikan High School is having two Shark Tank events on **Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** from **9:30-11:00 am** or **9:30-1:30 pm** and need Rotarians to help judge the students' presentations. The judges will be provided with the criteria and scoring sheet. If you are available to help in either time slot, please let **Henry Fung** know at [igg\\_igg@yahoo.com](mailto:igg_igg@yahoo.com) and he will relay your contact information to the teacher in charge.

Many thanks for contributing in the development of our future community leaders.

## Join Us In Africa - October, 2022

By David A Lott and Lisa Finn

Want to see the water well projects we've installed in Mozambique?

[Download the itinerary](#) for a fabulous trip to Africa, October 6 – 21, 2022.

On this trip you'll also be able to:

- Visit the world famous Kruger National Park and all the animals within
- Spend several nights in one of the most stunning cities in the world – Capetown
- Meet with Rotarians in the Rotary Clubs of Johannesburg and Capetown
- Travel with a small group of Rotarians



Please advise David Lott ([davidlott1952@gmail.com](mailto:davidlott1952@gmail.com)) and/or Lisa Finn ([lisa.finn@cruiseplanners.com](mailto:lisa.finn@cruiseplanners.com)) **by May 15**

Also, let David Lott know if you are want to attend an evening gathering in May when Justin Arana (of Water Underground) will be in town.

## Volunteer Positions Open - Meet Your Fellow Rotarians!

By Meredith Shaw

Hi Rotarians,

As we approach the 2022-23 Rotary year, I have been asked to set up a **group of volunteers to head the Lunch Ticket Table Committee**. We can arrange this to do one person each quarter or we can rotate monthly, whatever works best.

Many of you have done this job previously but for anyone who has not, it involves arranging for 3 volunteers each week in addition to yourself to hand out lunch tickets and keep track of how they are paid for and also to have a person at the head of the buffet line to collect the tickets. It is not a difficult job and is actually kind of fun as you get to greet and chat with the members. It requires arriving by 11:30 to get organized and is done by 12:25 in time to get your own lunch and attend the meeting.

If you are interested in signing up for this or would like additional information, please feel free to email or call me.

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Thanks, Meredith Shaw

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

May 11th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** California Resource Corp.: Jon Klein  
**Subject:** Cleaning California's Air: Carbon Capture at CRC

May 12th  
[5 O'Clock Somewhere Mixer](#)  
**Speaker:** Monthly mixer

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

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

May 17th  
[RCLB Board Meeting](#)

May 18th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** Antoine Soliman  
**Subject:** Advances in Neo-Natal Care at Memorial

May 19th  
[Business Breakfast Roundtable](#)  
**Speaker:** Nelinia Varenas - Breakthrough SEO Marketing  
**Subject:** Implement a Website Accessibility Strategy to Increase Traffic: The Case for ADA Compliance

June 1st  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** LB Pride  
**Subject:** A behind-the-scenes look at Long Beach's 2nd largest event

## Birthdays This Week - Click Name to Send a Greeting

[Sumer A. Temple](#)  
May 11th

[Gregory L. Owen](#)  
May 12th

[Laurence W. Jackson III](#)  
May 14th

[Sathya Chey](#)  
May 14th



[Pamela Young Lee](#)  
May 14th



[Brad A. Willingham](#)  
May 15th



[Michele A. Dobson](#)  
May 15th



[Gloria Cordero](#)  
May 16th



[W. Kurt Wood](#)  
May 17th



[Stephanie James](#)  
May 17th



[Gregory Haeseler](#)  
May 16th



[Matthew L. Kinley](#)  
19 Years



[Robert D. Bond](#)  
11 Years



[Mary Sophiea](#)  
8 Years



[Mooyon Kim](#)  
3 Years

[Timothy Aldrete](#)  
3 Years



[Craig T. Cross](#)  
45 Years



[Ronald D. Rand](#)  
35 Years



[W. Kurt Wood](#)  
20 Years



[Gregory Haeseler](#)  
19 Years



[Matthew L. Kinley](#)  
19 Years



[Robert D. Bond](#)  
11 Years



[Mary Sophiea](#)  
8 Years



[Conor Kenneth Weir](#)  
7 Years



[Mark Guillen](#)  
5 Years



[Janet M. Nelson](#)  
5 Years



[Mooyon Kim](#)  
3 Years



[Timothy Aldrete](#)  
3 Years



[Jesse Rivera](#)  
2 Years



[caryn desai](#)  
1 Year



[Jill Baker](#)  
1 Year



[Tanya Adolph](#)



[Efren Baca](#)  
Welcome Back!  
18 previous years in RCLB

Rotary-versaries - Click Name to Send Congrats!

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