



President 104's Post #1

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REIMAGINING ROTARY

◆The foundation upon which Rotary has been built is friendship; on no less firm foundation could it have stood.◆
Paul Harris, founder of Rotary

Rotary is an organization that embraces the wisdom of reinvention. Every twelve months from the Rotary International President to the individual club officers there is a change of regime, an opportunity to look at things anew. It◆s a smart move. During any time period, needs change, projects conclude, others are just getting started. What worked for years may not now. Or, perhaps, a fresh view only confirms how well many things are being done and should stay the same.

Either way, it◆s time to **Reimagine Rotary**. This year more than ever. With the help of all of you, and our hard-working Board of Directors, we will reimagine our Club. We are already planning to change our meeting venue and we have added a monthly evening meeting, with the goal to make it easier for Rotarians to come to meetings. We are strengthening committees and projects. We are enhancing the ever-important area of membership development. This is your Club, please speak-up. We need your input on what works and doesn◆t work for you. Get involved in the committees and give them the benefit of your energy and drive.

Something that will never change, however, is the importance of our Rotary friendships. It is the backbone of our service. We could not conduct Camp Enterprise, or clean Rotary Centennial Park, or create 4,500 packages of food for Feeding the Future, and so much more, if we didn◆t focus on building strong personal relationships within our Club. And, Rotary relationships give back: you, your family and your business will be immeasurably enriched by really getting to know fellow Rotarians. If you are not sure where you fit in, please contact me or a Board Member. You◆ll be glad you did.

I am humbled and excited to serve as your President this year. The reach of our Club is worldwide, from our work to eradicate polio, to the water wells in Mozambique, to our support of the communities in Caborca, Mexico and the Navajo Nation. We are also intensely local, supporting the schools and distinct communities within our City. While we have many challenges to face at this moment, we also know that without the Rotary Club of Long Beach, the world would be a much darker place. I◆m ready to get started. Not alone, but with each one of you.

IN-PERSON ROTARY MEETING POSTPONED - ZOOM MEETING SET for 7/8 EVENING MEETING - 6:00-7:00pm

We have been in continuing contact with the City of Long Beach to determine safety protocols for our first in-person meeting since the COVID-19 crisis started in March of this year. The safety of Rotarians, guests and servers will always be our top concern. Amid the rising positive COVID cases recently, we have determined that the in-person meeting will have to be postponed. For at least the month of July 2020, we have planned ZOOM meetings, with a new format! Please make sure you 'attend' via ZOOM on Wednesday evening, July 8.

Events

July 8th
[Weekly LB Club Meeting](#)

July 11th
[Centennial Park Clean-Up](#)

July 15th
[Weekly LB Club Meeting](#)

July 16th
[Business Breakfast Roundtable via ZOOM](#)

July 22nd
[Weekly LB Club Meeting](#)

July 23rd
[Rotary Revealed Information Meeting](#)

July 26th
[Ronald McDonald Sunday Meal Preparation](#)

July 29th
[Weekly LB Club Meeting](#)

Birthdays



[Robert D. Bond](#)
July 3rd



[Jeffrey G. Wimbish](#)
July 3rd



[Dennis C. Smith](#)
July 5th

Connect

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