



This Week's Program

Wednesday, July 22 - Join Us via ZOOM

'UPDATE' - LONG BEACH'S FIRST ROCKET FACTORY

Will Pomerantz
Vice President of Special Projects, Virgin Orbit

12:15pm - Dial In to ZOOM
Dial In Details Will Be Sent

12:30 - 1:30pm - Program Via ZOOM



Will Pomerantz, Virgin Orbit's Vice President of Special Projects, (*virtually*) returns to the Rotary Club of Long Beach to provide an update of everything that's happening at our city's first rocket factory. From the company's recent launch demonstration to its work designing low-cost ventilators for COVID-19 patients, the Virgin Orbit team has been busy. Join us to hear the latest news and to have a chance to ask questions of Virgin Orbit's first employee!

Yes, William Pomerantz is Employee #1 at Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Orbit, the innovative launch company for small satellites. He also serves as the Co-Founder of the Brooke Owens Fellowship, the award-winning job-placement and mentorship program for women in aerospace, and as Chair of the Board of Advisors of SEDS-USA, the world's largest student space organization. He is a member of the Editorial Board of *ROOM Space Journal*, and a mentor for TechStars, the world's largest start-up accelerator network.

Will is a graduate of Harvard, the NASA Academy, and the International Space University. He has also worked at Virgin Galactic, the XPRIZE Foundation, Brown University, the Futron Corporation, and the United Nations, among others. He has served on two US Federal Advisory Committees: the Federal Aviation Administration's Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee and the National Academies of Science and Engineering's Committee on Building a Better NASA Workforce.

President 104's Post #4

Matt Kinley



FOUNDATIONS

A foundation can be the footing for a structure, or the basis of an argument, or the beginning of great cosmetics. But when we are talking about foundations in Rotary, we are usually talking about one of three charitable foundations that are connected with the mission of Rotary.

Each of these foundations are separate from the Rotary Club of Long Beach (RCLB), and each has its own hard-working board of directors, bylaws, and organizational structure.

Because it can be confusing, here is snapshot of the three foundations.

• **Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation**

This Foundation is the organization which primarily focuses on grants to organizations in Long Beach which are involved in youth or education. This year, the Charitable Foundation focused on COVID related issues. It yearly supports our club's grants for Reading by Nine.

• **Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation**

This Foundation has been financially supporting local youth attending Long Beach City College and California State University, Long Beach since 1929. Every year, Rotarians recruit, interview, and mentor hundreds of students. The Foundation is one of the top donors at both institutions annually.

• **Rotary International Foundation**

At this week's meeting, we will honor Rotarians who have contributed to the RI Foundation and have become Paul Harris Fellows. The Rotary Foundation awards grants to promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water and sanitation, sustain mothers and children, improve education, and strengthen local economies. The Foundation is also a worldwide leader in the efforts to eradicate polio. The RCLB has received many of these grants for Feeding the Future and our work to dig water wells in Mozambique. For the 11th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating - four stars - from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S., in recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

Each of us has the opportunity to contribute tax deductible donations to these amazing foundations that promote our service to our local community and the world. To learn more about each organization, click on the links above. We truly make miracles happen when we work together as Rotarians.

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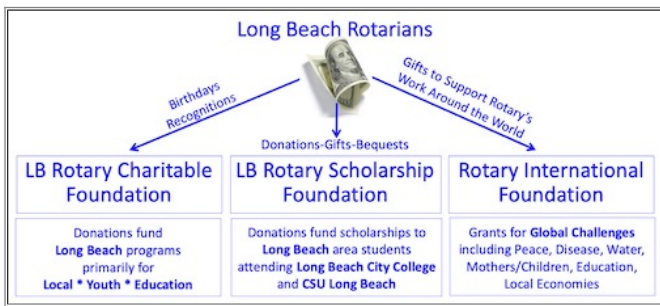


Daniel Bruce Lipton
Community Service Director



Brett Lewis
Fellowship Service Director

Lydia Vincenty-Lowell
Fellowship Service Director



Pawfect Partners



Hi, Rotarians! Some of you have met me at Centennial Park clean-ups ♦ I ♦m Jean Bixby Smith ♦s pal, **Roxy**. I really like that my name goes so well with Bixby. Say, ♦ **Roxy Bixby** ♦ a few times and you ♦ll see why it makes me so happy.

In a couple of weeks, Jean and I will be celebrating our 6th anniversary of finding each other when I was two years old. It was really Jean who found me. I was more like hoping for her. You see, I had a pretty tough couple years before she found me ♦ and I used to be afraid of people but I ♦m not anymore. (Dr. Phil would say I had trust issues.) Thanks to Jean ♦s kindness, patience, and love, I enjoy going on our daily walks and meeting new friends. I hope to see you at the Centennial Park clean-up day soon. I ♦ll be easy to find ♦ I ♦m usually at Jean ♦s side just like in the picture of us. *Photo - Roxy & JBS, Rotarian since 1987*

In the News

The Rotary International Foundation

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH POLIO?

We are so close to knocking the terrible disease of polio off the face of the earth. COVID 19 threatens to cause a potential setback of 10 or more years in our fight by impeding efforts to deliver the life saving vaccine to those most in need. Costs estimated to provide personal protection equipment to those administering the lifesaving drops are estimated to be in the staggering billions of dollars.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION POLIO SOCIETY

Take the opportunity to become a charter member of the PolioPlus Society.

It works like the Paul Harris Society, except instead of making an annual \$1000 commitment, you make an annual \$100 (or more) commitment to PolioPlus until polio is eradicated. When you sign up, you get a pin and a certificate and become part of the team determined to rid the planet of this horrible disease. It ♦s an opportunity to make history.

Give \$100 to PolioPlus or sign up for [Rotary Direct](#) and give \$10 a month directed to PolioPlus. This will satisfy your commitment, with an extra \$20 at the end of the year!!

Thank you for your decision to give. If you have any questions please contact: [Adriana Lanting](#) or [Wayne Slavitt](#)



3 minutes. 3 actions. LEARN - SHARE - GIVE

Paul Harris Fellows



PHF

- Ahmet Atahan
- Brett Lewis

PHF + 1

- Sofia Riley
- Gabrielle Canale
- Marjorie Fleming

PHF + 2

- Craig Dougherty
- Jeremy Harris

PHF + 4

- Tom Scott
- Judy Seal

PHF + 6

- Sandra Simon

PHF + 8

- Terry Gelling



Freda Hinsche-Otto
International Service Director



Mark Guillen
Membership Service Director



Lisa Finn
Youth Service Director



Mollie Beck
Past President



Dennis C. Smith
President - elect



Alfredo Velasco
President -nominee



Madrid Zimmerman
Club Executive Director
Club Executive Secretary



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



C. Robert Luskin
July 22nd



Braden James Phillips
July 23rd



Sarah Naccarato
July 24th



Danita Humphrey
July 26th



John Grey
July 27th



Jan P. Maize
July 28th

UPCOMING EVENTS

July

- 21st - RCLB Board of Directors
- 22nd - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: Will Pomerantz, Vice President of Special Projects
Subject: VIRGIN ORBIT
- 26th - Ronald McDonald Sunday Meal Preparation
- 29th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: Dr. Regina F. Lark, PhD, SMM-C, CPO ♦
Subject: IT'S ABOUT TIME!

August

- 5th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
- 8th - Centennial Park Clean-Up
- 12th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
- 13th - 5 O'Clock Somewhere
- 18th - RCLB Board of Directors

Did You Know ...

Iconic RCLB Meeting Sites



During its 103-year history, the Rotary Club of Long Beach has met in iconic locations which are now part of the City ♦s historical past:

The Virginia Hotel - Meetings were held at this long gone famed beachfront location on Wednesdays. Most Rotarians ALSO attended round table lunches on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays AND Fridays.

The Masonic Temple - Meetings were held here after the Virginia Hotel was demolished, ♦ EXCEPT immediately following the 1933 Long Beach earthquake.

Rotary Club of Long Beach
meets every Wednesday

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18th green at the Virginia Country Club ♦ Following the 6.4 temblor that caused major damage to City structures Rotarians temporarily met outdoors. Then, as now, we ALWAYS met -- no matter what.

The Pacific Coast Club - This elegant and iconic beachfront Club on Ocean Boulevard became our home in 1936.

The Lafayette Hotel - Still an historic East Village landmark was our next home in 1954 ♦ interesting that this was also the headquarters for the famed Miss Universe Pageant.

The Golden Sails Hotel - This was our first ♦away from downtown♦ venue so a RotaryGram note advised commuting Rotarians. ♦for those of you who wish to take a bus ♦ No. 13 will let you off on Loynes & PCH ♦ follow the crowd!♦

The Queen Mary - Twenty-five years after she sailed into Long Beach Harbor this globally recognized symbol of our great City became home to the Rotary Club of Long Beach.

Cyberspace - This year as we are *Reimagining Rotary* we gather as often as possible via **ZOOM** ♦ a new definition of a familiar word. We are assembling as our RCLB founders did ♦ only now in new ways. Just as Long Beach Rotarians have met for 103 years we are connecting in fellowship. We are grateful for being able to share time with each other while keeping a vision of when we will again be in person.

1917 ♦ 1932	1932 ♦ 1936	*Briefly after 1933 earthquake	1936 ♦ 1954	1954 ♦ 1974	1974 ♦ 1992	1992 ♦ 2020	2020
Hotel Virginia	Masonic Temple*	18th green Virginia Country Club	Pacific Coast Club	Lafayette Hotel	Golden Sails Hotel	Queen Mary	ZOOM

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