



This Week's Program

Wednesday, August 26 - Join Us via ZOOM

SHIFTING SWIFTLY FROM SPIRITS TO SANITIZER
Simon Haxton, Co-owner/Master Distiller
Portuguese Bend Distillery

12:15 p.m. - Dial In to ZOOM
Dial In Details Will Be Sent
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Program Via ZOOM



The World Health Organization recommends a couple different formulas for hand sanitizer: One involves isopropyl alcohol and another which uses denatured ethanol.

Denatured ethanol is precisely the opposite of what Simon Haxton, our next Rotary Speaker, typically tries to craft on a day-to-day basis. Denaturing alcohol involves making it poisonous, foul-tasting, and outright awful. Add some hydrogen peroxide and glycerin and, well, there you have it: sanitizer that can be bottled and shipped.

◆You spend all this time taking the bad stuff out of the alcohol and then you have to put all the bad stuff right back in, ◆ Haxton told the Long Beach Post in March. ◆Soul-crushing in one sense, life-saving on the other in these days and times.◆

As a co-owner and master distiller at Portuguese Bend, Simon was part of the team that recently opened the city's first distillery, a feat of approvals and hurdles itself, then not long after opening, the pandemic hit.

Simon quickly faced new challenges and opportunities to meet a great need during the crisis: mass production of hand sanitizer, hundreds of gallons each week. We◆ll hear how Simon and his team made the shift and how they worked to meet an extraordinary need.

President 104's Post #9

Matt Kinley



ROTARIANS ROLL

What are you feeling? Loss of normalcy? The fear of economic toll? The loss of connection with family and friends? Some friends say they fear for our future, like there is an even bigger storm coming. Some say they fear for their safety. Our communities need help and with us being stuck in our houses, we feel helpless to do anything.

I know Rotarians don't hang on to these hangdog feelings for long. ***This is happening, let's figure out how to proceed. I can learn to meet virtually. I can wear a mask. I can meet with family and friends from a distance because it's better than nothing. I can support people with a phone call or a note. Let's not compound our situation with defeatism.***

And, Rotarians get to work. We have made an amazing start to help with our community's reaction to the pandemic. We donated close to \$50,000 to COVID-19 related community projects. We built over 4,000 face shields for our healthcare workers who provide care for our frailest people. We donated over 40 pints of blood. We continue to grant scholarships, feed families at the Ronald McDonald House and clean Centennial Park.

We aren't resting on our laurels. The project, ***Feeding the Future***, is ready to roll for this Rotary year. The money is in place. Under our co-chairs, **Wendy Leggett** and **Leslie Wiberg**, we will prepare food for students in need at Long Beach City College and California State University, Long Beach. If you want to be a part of this project, don't wait to be asked! Reach out to Wendy or Leslie. You can click on my name or Dan Lipton's name (***next to our photos in the gold sidebar on the right***), send us a message and we will make sure your talents are utilized.

Rotary is made for service and difficult times present multiple opportunities to serve. We don't hang on to negative feelings because we are too busy working to overcome the negativity. Over the next several weeks, the RCLB will announce community service projects which need Rotarian support. I'm looking forward to working with all of you to make sure we do all that we can to support our community. RCLB, let's roll!

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Pawfect Partners

Recently at a Rotary meeting, our Inspiration was given by **Lydia Vincenty-Lowell**, who shared a story about **Valentino**, her 3-year old Alaskan Klee Kai. What is inspiring about a miniature husky, you ask?



Valentino, named for his birthday on Valentine's day, got used to having his mom around the house during the first couple of months of the COVID-19 quarantine. She was always available to shower affection on him, and Valentino happily accompanied her on walks throughout the day. It was husky heaven until 2 months ago when Lydia resumed her work schedule at the office.

Oblivious to a worldwide pandemic, Valentino took Lydia's absence during the day personally. In Valentino's world, he wasn't getting the attention he was used to. He missed all that togetherness time! When Lydia arrived home from the office in the evening, rather than running to greet her, Valentino turned his back on her and walked out of the room, sending a very clear canine punishing message.

Lydia's inspiration message from this story? She reminded us that sometimes, not knowing all the circumstances that others may be dealing with, we can wrongly place blame for a perceived hurt.

Her story ended happily, as Valentino has once again adjusted to the new schedule and is back to being an affectionate Pawfect Partner who appreciates time with his mom Lydia and dad Joe.

Welcome...

By Tina Barry



Sometimes Rotary just gets under our skin. That's just what happened to **Jim Bunnell**. Having been a Rotary member with the Long Beach Club from 2001-2006 he has found his way back to us, and we couldn't be happier.

Jim has a long history of involvement in Long Beach and his business of 22 years, Total Network Solutions, an IT management company, is located in nearby Seal Beach. He's also a proud alumnus of CSULB (*Go Beach!*).

When Jim was part of the RCLB in the early 2000's, his family and business were growing at a rapid rate. His co-sponsor, Mollie Beck told us that he was one of the younger members who brought great energy and vitality to the club during his time as a member. Unfortunately, his busy schedule and family commitments eventually required him to step back from Rotary for a while. With his return to our club, we look forward to his involvement in our many planned projects during President Matt's year.

In addition to busy professional and home lives, Jim and his wife Masy serve on the Board of the Boys and Girls Club of Long Beach. They have 3 children; Sophia - age 14, Parker age 10 and Scarlet age 9.

Welcome home, Jim! Your old friends look forward to seeing you again and your new friends look forward to getting to know you!

New Member Proposal

The following is being proposed as a member of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. Her 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.

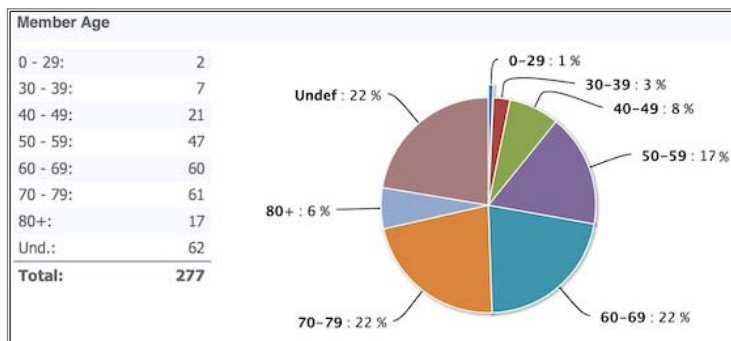
Jeanne Perales - Owner, Perales Enterprises

Proposed classification: Consultant - Engineering Project Management

Proposed by: Lisa Hain and Matt Kinley

Did You Know...

Rotary Club of Long Beach Membership



Freda Hinsche-Otto
International Service Director



Mark Guillen
Membership Service Director



Lisa Finn
Youth Service Director



Mollie Beck
Past President



Dennis C. Smith
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President - nominee



Madrid Zimmerman
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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Brandon Hovard
August 28th



Kevin M. Tiber
August 29th



Dale C. Whitney
August 30th



Debra Kahookale
August 31st



Donald B. Snyder
August 31st



Donald J. Trojan
August 31st

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

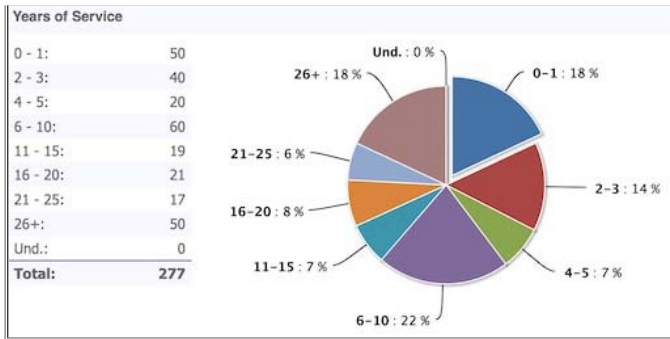
26th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
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Subject: SHIFTING SWIFTLY FROM SPIRITS TO SANITIZER

September

2nd - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
9th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
10th - **5 O'Clock Somewhere**
12th - **Centennial Park Clean-Up**

Our Rotary Family...

Rotarian and Mayor **Robert Garcia** was one of 17 people from across the country selected as 'rising stars' in the Democratic Party to give the keynote address at the Democratic National Convention on Tuesday, August 18, the second day of the convention.



Congratulations to Gloria and Rotarian **Mark Kachigan** on the birth of their 1st grandchild, **Micah** (weighing in @ 10+ pounds).

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