



ROTARY MEANS FELLOWSHIP – ARTS - BUSINESS - SERVICE FABS

This Week's Program

Wednesday, August 9

LilByLil: Overcoming Homelessness

**Duke Givens, Founder
Care Closet LBC**

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



Duke Givens is a Long Beach native, who grew up in the Sixth District of Long Beach, CA. He received his education in the Long Beach Unified School District and graduated from Long Beach Poly High School. He also served in the United States Air Force during the Desert Storm conflict and was honorably discharged.

Soon after being discharged, he attended Long Beach City College to study photography. Photography would become a staple in Duke's life. He has created a body of work that has been showcased in different venues and received a multitude of acknowledgements and awards. Some of these recognitions include the NAACP Community Service Award, the United States Congress for Community Efforts, the African American Men's Forum President's Award, and most recently inducted into the Long Beach City College Hall of Fame.

His passion for helping the most vulnerable among us led him to create the Non-profit Care Closet LBC. The Care Closet LBC's is the commitment to meet the needs of our unhoused brothers and sisters.

International Service

By **Matthew L. Kinley**, International Service Director



The RCLB's International Avenue of Service strives to support people who live in areas of the world which lack the basic resources necessary for life. Primarily, we:

1. Support New Water Wells in Mozambique. Through Rotary International's Global Grant Process and support from Rotary Clubs all over Southern California, we partner with the Rotary Club of Polona, Moz. and Water Underground to improve the lives of the people of Mozambique by placement of water wells in villages which lack access to clean water. Through donations of just \$10,000 through RCLB, we expect to raise \$150,000 for 5 wells in 5 villages in 2024.

2. Support of the Navajo. The RCLB Navajo Project aims to create Rotarian to Navajo relationships with the

Birthdays



Raymond Cervantez
August 9th



Tina Barry
August 10th



Donald N. Serafano
August 11th



Michael C. Jensen
August 13th



Ian Patton
August 15th

JULY - Years of Service



Robert W. Latimer
67 Years



John W. H. Hinrichs
42 Years



Patrick T. Madden
38 Years



Donald E. Cochran
37 Years



David F. Woody
31 Years

LaVerne Davis
28 Years

Navajo and to support the Navajo efforts to improve the lives of their people. This project includes raising money within our Club and from other Rotary Clubs here and in Arizona for water projects. We are planning our third trip to the Navajo nation in the Spring 2024, which will include a work party to help make basic repairs to community buildings located there.

3. Mexico. The RCLB has for years traveled to Caborca, Mexico with Clubs in our District. We have interacted with the Rotary Club of Caborca and administered the Polio vaccine to help stop the spread of Polio. This year we are evaluating other potential projects for Mexico which will help support the RCLB's mission.

We are currently seeking funding from our Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation for the Mozambique and Navajo Projects. If you would like to support these projects, please reach out. We need both volunteer support and financial support to make these projects a success.



Calling All Singers - only a few slots left!

Thank you to SO many who have stepped up - only SIX spots remain - let's complete this list and not be left out!!! We have Rotarians with just the right voice (or pair up with a Rotarian) to lead us in these upcoming meeting Songs:

Contact [Steve Shaw](#) or [Madrid Zimmerman](#) to sign up!



Rotary Songs

August 9	Hit the Road Jack (<i>Ray Charles</i>)	Marcelle Epley
August 16	Sweet Caroline (<i>Neil Diamond</i>)	Theresa Cornwell
August 23	Fire and Rain (<i>James Taylor</i>)	
August 30	Big Yellow Taxi (<i>Joni Mitchell</i>)	
September 6	Achy Breaky Heart (<i>Billy Ray Cyrus</i>)	Lynne Wainfan
September 13	Hey Jude (<i>The Beatles</i>)	Braden Phillips
September 20	Istanbul (Not Constantinople) (<i>The Four Lads</i>)	Ahmet Atahan & Kayhan Cecen
October 4	California Dreamin' (<i>The Mamas and the Papas</i>)	
October 11	Daydream Believer (<i>The Monkees</i>)	Dorian Bolick
October 18	Take It Easy (<i>Eagles</i>)	Theresa Cornwell
October 25	You're So Vain (<i>Carly Simon</i>)	
November 8	You're a Grand Old Flag (<i>George M. Cohan</i>)	Veteran Ensemble !
November 15	What a Wonderful World (<i>Louis Armstrong</i>)	caryn desai
November 29	Born to Be Wild (<i>Steppenwolf</i>)	

Summertime Gatherings!

By Lisa Finn, Fellowship Service Director

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[Robert A. Steuber](#)
27 Years



[Shell W. Grossman](#)
25 Years



[Marnee Brooks](#)
25 Years



[Mark Gray](#)
24 Years



[John J. Gilligan](#)
22 Years



[Michele A. Dobson](#)
15 Years



[Steven M. Keesal](#)
14 Years



[Karen K. Widerynski](#)
12 Years



[Virginia Baxter](#)
11 Years



[Stacy Mungo Flanigan](#)
10 Years



[Daniel Eufrazio Tapia](#)
7 Years



[Ahmet Atahan](#)
7 Years



[Laura Knapp](#)
7 Years



[Lisa Hain](#)
6 Years



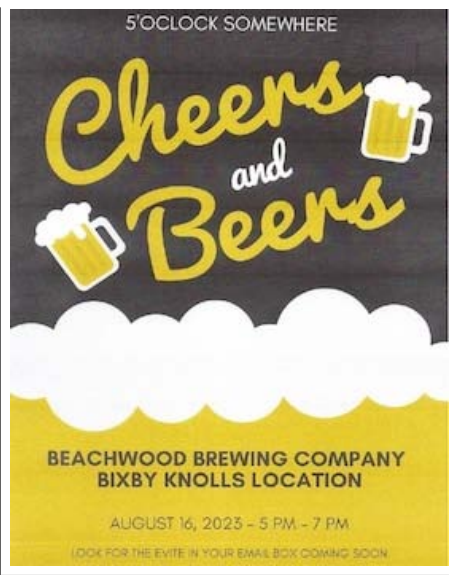
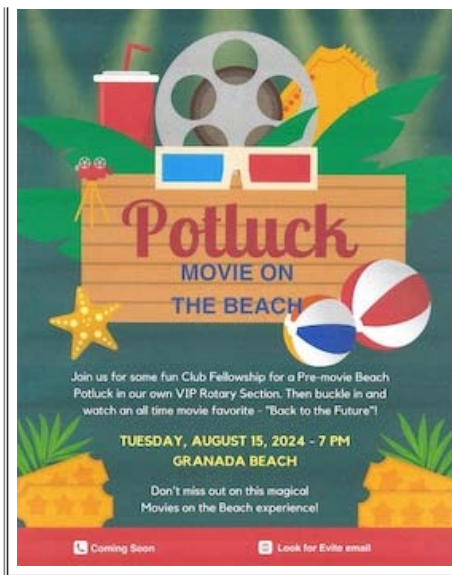
[James F. Bunnell](#)
11 Years



[Sarah Soriano](#)
4 Years



[Mike Munoz](#)
3 Years



[Christy Westphal](#)
2 Years



[Theresa Cornwell](#)
2 Years



[Goran Reil](#)
2 Years



[Woody Sides](#)
2 Years



[John Keisler](#)
New Member!



[Mary Zendejas](#)
New Member!



[Melissa Erin Evans](#)
New Member!

New Member Proposal

The following are being proposed as members of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. Their names are hereby submitted to the membership for a 10-day period as required by the Bylaws. Any comments can be addressed to the President or the Executive Director of the Club during this 10-day period.

Ali Vaghefi - Branch Manager/Senior VP, Wells Fargo Advisors

Proposed Classification: Financial - Financial Advisor

Proposed by: Greg Haeseler and Dennis Smith

Gregory "Greg" White - VP/Financial Consultant, Charles Schwab

Proposed Classification: Financial - Financial Advisor

Proposed by: Dennis Smith and Leslie Wiberg

Events

August 9th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Duke Givens - Care Closet

Subject: "LilByLil: Overcoming Homelessness"

August 10th, 2:00-3:00 PM
[Ro Toastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

August 12th, 8:00-9:00 AM
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)
Rotary Centennial Park
Monthly clean-up

August 15th, 4:00-5:15 PM
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

August 15th, 7:00-10:00 PM
[Potluck Movie on the Beach](#)
Potluck Dinner and Movie

August 16th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Patty Civalleri

Subject: Trader Joe's Differentiation Success

Wear a Hawaiian shirt!

August 16th, 5:00-7:00 PM
[5 O'Clock Somewhere](#)
Monthly after hours mixer
3rd Wednesday this month -
usually 2nd Tuesday/month;
location varies

August 22nd, 5:30-7:00 PM
[Rotary Connections](#)
Bring a member prospect to meet LB Rotary
Hosted by Deborah Williams

August 23rd, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Mayor Rex Richardson

Subject: Developments and Opportunities in the City of Long Beach

August 24th, 2:00-3:00 PM
[Ro Toastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

August 30th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

Speaker: Carolyn Caldwell

Subject: St. Mary's 100th Anniversary

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[Gail B. Schwandner](#)
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[PE, DEE](#)
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Vice President



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Secretary
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[Shel-lee Davis](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Shelley Hanks](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



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Youth Service Director



[Alfredo Velasco](#)
iPast President



[Steve M. Hockett](#)
President-Elect



[Kelly Ruggirello](#)
President-Nominee



[Donald E. Cochran](#)
Rotary Foundation
Chair



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in the WORLD**

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