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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, September 28

Sports Stories You've Never Heard Before - and More

Larry Stewart
Veteran Sports Journalist

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



If you like sports, particularly L.A. sports, you're going to love the program set for Sept. 28.

Our guest speaker will be **Larry Stewart**, a sportswriter, sports editor, and sports columnist for nearly 40 years at Los Angeles' two major newspapers. He brings a veteran sports journalist's experience to any event. And he is a great storyteller, as evidenced in his recently published book, "My Up-Close View."

The title comes from the fact that Stewart wrote a column about sports television (and radio) for nearly 35 years first for the L.A. Herald Examiner and then the L.A. Times.

You want to know what broadcasters such as Vin Scully, Chick Hearn and Dick Enberg are like off camera? Stewart can tell you. And he always leaves time for questions when speaking.

Stewart didn't write just about broadcasters during his long career. He had dealings with a wide variety of sports figures.

Stewart is still writing as a freelancer for the Southern California News Group, a chain of 11 newspapers, including the Long Beach Press Telegram.

Stewart lives in Arcadia but calls Long Beach his second home. In semi-retirement, he is involved with several charities, including the Boys & Girls Club of Long Beach.

Stewart, who grew up on a small citrus farm in the San Joaquin Valley, began writing for local papers while in high school. A 1968 graduate of Fresno State, Stewart worked part-time for the Fresno Bee during his college years and had a short stint at the Visalia Times-Delta before coming to L.A. in 1969 to work for the Herald Examiner. He became that paper's Assistant Sports Editor in 1974 and went to the Times in 1978.

Stewart was profiled in Rich Archbold's column that appeared in the Press-Telegram and other area newspapers. [Click Here](#) to view.

Message from Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation

By Dennis C. Smith, 2022-23 LBRFC Chair



"That's \$25 for your cell phone ringing during the meeting."

"I'll donate \$500 as part of my recognition for our business milestone."

"We have three birthdays to celebrate at our meeting today."

"Over \$85,000 was raised at the beginning of the meeting for Reading By 9."

Rotary has three foundations which receive donations from its members and guests. They are (1) Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation (LBRFC), (2) Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation (LBRSF), and (3) Rotary (International) Foundation. The following paragraphs will describe the focus of each of these foundations.

Where does all the money raised during our meetings go?

The money raised goes to the *Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation (LBRFC)*, an IRS 501(c)3 non-profit whose purpose is to, "distribute funds in a manner that furthers the mission, projects and goals of

the Rotary Club of Long Beach.”

Does the **LBRCF** contribute scholarships for students we see at meetings?

No. Scholarship funding is provided by the *Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation (LBRSF)*, also a 501(c)3. The Scholarship Foundation consists of Long Beach Rotarians and representatives from Long Beach City College and California State University Long Beach. Funds for the scholarships are from donations and endowments, mostly generated by Long Beach Rotarians.

Does the **LBRCF** contribute to international projects funded and organized through Rotary International?

No. *The Rotary Foundation* is an umbrella over all Rotary Clubs around the world, providing grants for education and literacy, economic development, disease prevention and treatment, maternal and child health, peacebuilding and conflict resolution, and water, sanitation, and hygiene. Donors to the Rotary Foundation become part of the Paul Harris Fellow/Society and receive recognition for donations.

The funds in the *Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation* are donations from our Club members, and in some instances non-members, that are used to support projects, activities and programs.

The two major programs funded through the **LBRCF** are **Camp Enterprise** and **Reading By 9**. Major donations from Rotarian Henry Meyer's Estate and the Steuber Family have fully funded Camp Enterprise for many decades.

Through Past President Frank Newell's extraordinary fundraising efforts Reading by 9's annual budget available for literacy grants, book purchases, reading festivals, and other projects is dependent on the amount raised each year. Frank has set a goal this year to generate enough donations so the total donations received by this Program since its inception in 1999 will total One Million Dollars or more.

Other projects funded through the **LBRCF** include *Feeding the Future* and grants to local community organizations, most of whom focus on child services.

Looking forward, the **LBRCF** is expanding its Board and reach. Starting this year, the Board has added an additional position for our Rotary Club of Long Beach's Director for International Service. This will increase our awareness of international projects engaged in by the Clubs in our region and globally and where we might assist in contributing matching funds toward international projects.

Also, two additional members will be added to the **LBRCF Board** this year. Each will serve a three-year term so that in the 2024-25 Rotary Year, the Board will have expanded by six members who will be nominated and chosen from members of our Rotary Club of Long Beach.

Increasing the size of the **LBRCF Board** will enable more outreach opportunities for projects, programs, and donations. Over the past several years, the unrestricted funds donated through recognitions and birthdays have declined, thereby reducing the impact our members may have in supporting community's needs. More financial support is needed from members and non-members to enable our continued support of organizations and projects. Enlarging the Board may help provide more resources to generate increased support for, recognition of the LBRCF, and its positive impact in our community.

LBRCF's recognition within our Club and community has been low for many years. In large part, this may be due to the Rotarian trait of just doing and not tooting their horn. Tooting the **LBRCF** horn in-and out-side the Club and increasing awareness, will over time increase funding and enhance LBRCF's impact on our local, regional, and global communities

Write a Caption!



WHAT - Submit a caption for this photo

WHEN - by EOD Thursday September 29

Send caption to -
Wayne Slavitt - wayneslavitt@gmail.com

Top Winners will be announced at the October 5 lunch meeting

Reading by 9 - DID YOU KNOW?

By Frank R. Newell

- The first Reading by 9 fundraiser was in November, 1999 at our 3,943 meeting. We will have had 1,055 meetings since then when we raise funds on October 12th at our 4,998 meeting.
- Initially, Reading by 9 was to be a one-year fundraiser as part of a district partnership with the Los Angeles Times and Scholastic Books.
- At our first fundraiser the speaker, Charles Miller, CEO of Avery Dennison, a Fortune 500 company, was our first donor to contribute \$500 to the program.
- The first year we donated 6,500 books to 5 LBUSD schools which was the largest number of books ever donated to the LBUSD.
- In 2000, Reading by Nine and Rotary Reads were featured in *The Rotarian* magazine.
- By 2003, 1,000+ books were donated to ALL 60+ LBUSD Elementary Schools.
- In 2005, we initiated grants to nonprofit and community literacy programs.
- Since 2009, we have been donating books and reading to low socioeconomic pre-school kids at the Child Development Centers.
- In 2011, Rotary created the Literacy Committee to oversee the Reading by 9 Program.
- In 2015, we raised \$500,000 since the inception of the Program.
- In 2020, during the pandemic, we raised over \$65,000 at a Rotary Zoom meeting.
- Last year we raised a record \$86,500 from over 120 Rotarian donors.
- To date we have raised over \$880,000 and donated well in excess of 300,000 books.

- The Literacy Committee has grown to nearly 20 members and meets regularly throughout the year to review, recommend, and administer the donations and grants.
- Your donations are received to our Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation, a 501 (c)3 organization, first established in the early 1990s.
- Also, you can make a donation from a Donor Advised Fund, as part of your IRA-required mandatory distribution and we welcome Employer matching grants.
- ON OCTOBER 12th WE WILL RAISE FUNDS FOR THE 24th CONSECUTIVE YEAR AND HOPE YOU WILL ATTEND AND CONSIDER A DONATION AS WE APPROACH \$1 MILLION RAISED SINCE 1999.

Rotary Sunset Cruise - Sign Up NOW!

Rotary Sunset Cruise



Food, Drinks and Fellowship

Thursday, October 6th, 2022

Hop on a Duffy, Sail or Power Boat to cruise Alamitos Bay or the outer harbor while enjoying drinks (white wine, beer, soda, water) appetizers, friends and the sunset. Guests are welcome. We will then return to LBYC for a Hamburger or Chicken dinner with all the fixins and a no host bar.

Time: 5:45 to 6:00... Board the boats
 Last boat leaves 6:00 !!!
 7:15 ... Dinner at Long Beach Yacht Club
 6201 Appian Way (end of Appian Way)
 Cost: \$65 per person

Please RSVP with Madrid. DEADLINE: Wed. Sept. 28

Yes, # _____ will attend! @ \$65 (each) = \$ _____

Name(s): _____

(please make checks payable to: Long Beach Rotary or bill your account?)

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 Bylaws. Any comments can be addressed to the President or the Executive Director of the Club during this 10-day period.

Eboney Pearson - Chief of Staff District 1/Office of Council Member Mary Zendejas

Proposed Classification: Government - Municipal - Government Affairs

Proposed by: Olivia Maiser and Michele Dobson

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

September 27th
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

September 28th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Larry Stewart
Subject: Sports Stories You've Never Heard Before - and More

October 5th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Christopher Chiamas
Subject: Carnival Cruise - The Rising Tide

October 6th
[Rotary Sunset Cruise](#)
 Rotary Sunset Cruise & Dinner
 Annual Alamitos Bay cruise followed by dinner at LBYC

October 8th
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

October 12th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Jane Close Conoley
Subject: Plus, Reading by 9 Fundraiser

October 18th
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

October 19th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Craig Smith
Subject: Confessions of a Presidential Speech Writer

October 26th
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
 The 5,000 Meeting of the Rotary Club of Long Beach

October 27th
[Rotary Connections](#)
Speaker: For membership prospects
Subject: Connect with Long Beach Rotary

Birthdays This Week - Click Name to Send a Greeting



[Julie Ewart Meenan](#)
September 29th



[John G. Beeler](#)
September 30th



[Jim Hankla](#)
September 30th



[Mark A. Garlington](#)
October 1st



[Dana A. Buchanan](#)
October 1st



[Lisa Hopkins](#)
October 2nd

Club Leadership - Click Name to Send a Message



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President



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Assistant to the President



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Assistant to the President



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Sergeant-at-Arms



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Sergeant-at-Arms



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Communications Director



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Career Service Director



[Richard Gibson](#)
Club Service Director



[Tina Barry](#)
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International Service Director



[Judy Ross](#)
Membership Service Director



[Brian Camp Russell](#)
Youth Service Director



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President-elect



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



[Madrid Zimmerman](#)
Club Executive Director
Club Executive Secretary



[Wayne C. Slavitt](#)
Rotary Foundation Chair

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