



This Week's Program


Wednesday, October 14 - Join Us via ZOOM

WHERE and HOW LB GETS ITS WATER

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager
Long Beach Water Department

12:15 p.m. - Dial In to ZOOM
Dial In Details Will Be Sent

12:30 - 1:00 p.m. - Program Via ZOOM



The Long Beach Board of Water Commissioners appointed Christopher J. Garner as General Manager of the Long Beach Water Department on September 3, 2015. He reports directly to the Long Beach Board of Water Commissioners.

Mr. Garner oversees the day-to-day operation and business activity of one of the most reliable and advanced municipal retail water agencies in the country. Mr. Garner leads a team of over 250 water system professionals in regulating the sale, use, and distribution of water in the city of Long Beach, California's seventh largest city. The Department operates one of the largest groundwater treatment facilities in the United States. The Department's annual budget is nearly \$150 million.

Mr. Garner has been with the City of Long Beach organization for 36 years. He started his City career in 1984 overseeing City property leases as an Administrative Analyst in the now-dissolved Tidelands Agency. In 1987, he transferred to the Gas Department, where he was a leader in the energy industry for 28 years. In that capacity, Mr. Garner oversaw the City's natural gas utility, the onshore and offshore oil operations, and the SERRF waste-to-energy power plant, with a budget of over \$250 million. He also served as the Director of the Long Beach Energy Department during the early 2000's which included, in addition to the gas utility, the oil operations, and SERRF, the operations of Fleet Services, Towing Operations, Refuse Operations, Recycling Operations, and Street Sweeping.

Through the years, Mr. Garner has held the management positions of Gas Acquisition and Transportation Officer, Superintendent of Gas Supply and Regulatory Affairs, Manager of Business Operations and Gas Supply, and Manager of Energy Services before being the Gas Department's General Manager for 16 years, and now General Manager of the Water Department. Mr. Garner has also twice served as Acting Director of the Department of Public Works and once as the Acting Director of the Department of Oil Properties.

President 104's Post #16

Matt Kinley



100% CLUB PARTICIPATION REQUESTED FEEDING THE FUTURE: OCTOBER 24th FOOD DRIVE

I'm asking each and every Rotarian to get involved in the **RCLB Feeding the Future Food Drive**, <http://www.longbeachrotary.org/feeding-the-future>. Your participation will take little time, it's low cost, and it's COVID-safe.

And your participation is **IMPACTFUL**.

This month, the RCLB will help stock college pantries with basic supplies to help students who are homeless or struggling with obtaining food or personal supplies. Providing them with basic necessities helps the students focus on their educational goals as they seek to improve their lives.

We can talk endlessly about being sensitive to others' needs and listening to those who are marginalized. Right now, it's time to walk the walk. As someone wisely said, "If you can't prove it by your actions, you don't mean it".

What can I do?

Long Beach Rotarians have always walked the walk with a proven track record in helping our community. 100% participation means that every Rotarian does one of the following:

1. DONATE!

Preferred method: Bring items to donate to LBCC or CSULB on Saturday, 10/24, 9 a.m. - 12 noon (see addresses below). If that doesn't work for you, take your donations to:

- * Rotarian Lisa Hopkins' office (5610 E. 2nd Street) during business hours;
- * Rotarian Shel-lee Davis's office (5375 E. 2nd Street) on Saturday 10/17 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., or
- * the Rotary Office. (Call me if you need items picked up: 562.715.5557)

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2. Get Friends, Neighbors, Family & Work Associates to Participate.

Send them the [FEEDING the FUTURE FLYER](#) linked here. Let us know if you have reached out to others to let us know how you have helped!

3. Send Money.

The primary needs are non-perishable and hygiene items; however, if you are unable to participate in the other ways, please consider sending your tax deductible donation by writing a check to: Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation. Mail to: Rotary Club of Long Beach 400 Oceangate, Suite 470, Long Beach, CA 90802. Shoppers are prepared to turn your monetary donations into food and products.

4. Participate on Event Day - October 24.

We need volunteers for the day of the event! At the same time, we are limited as to the number of volunteers for viral protection. **Call Tina Berry** if you want to participate at 626.379.0650.

◆Life◆s most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?◆ (Martin Luther King, Jr.) Please participate so you can say you helped the RCLB give college students the opportunity to succeed.

In the News

Rotary Meetings - What's Up!



Ballot #2 due @ Rotary Office by THIS Wednesday 10/14 @ 1:30 p.m.

ROTARY ROOTS 10/21 - Deadline for Sign Up THIS Wednesday 10/14

Don't miss the unique opportunity to virtually visit Rotary businesses and hosts:
Alfredo Velasco, **YMCA Camp Oakes** - Debra Fixen, **Shoreline Village**
Steve Keesal, **Oppenheimer & Company** - Marcelle Epley, **LB Community Foundation**
Bill Ridgeway, **LB Animal Hospital** - Jim Morris, **JCL Traffic Services**
Don Serafino, **Eye Physicians of Long Beach**

Only a few openings remain - Register by logging into our club website (www.longbeachrotary.org), Click **Logins**, then **District Login (DACdb)**, go to **My CLUB**, then **Calendar**. Scroll down, **open October 21** and register.

LAST Week @ Rotary

BOND and the BLUE GUYS - Bond Nichols/Steve Finch
Four-Way Test and Breakouts - Steve Keesal
Program - Economic Development in Long Beach

5 O'Clock Somewhere at 5:30 p.m.
Football Pool w/Andy McFarland

THIS Week @ Rotary

Birthday - Dana Buchanan
New Member Introduction - Jeanne Perales
ROTARY on the ROAD x 2
John Morris - Boathouse on the Bay
Chris Wacker - Laserfiche
Program - Where and How Long Beach Gets Its Water

Football Pool w/Andy McFarland

Congratulations... Cochran Family Scholarship

By Frank R. Newell



ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION AWARDS FIRST COCHRAN SCHOLARSHIP

For many years at our Rotary Club, **Don Cochran** has been a champion of supporting our youth programs. Whether it involves leading our local Rotaract Club, playing an integral role in Camp Enterprise, or serving on the Board of our Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation (LBRSF) and Chairing the Long Beach City College Committee, Don has shown a passion for helping and mentoring youth in our local Long Beach community.

Thus it comes as no surprise that Don made a donation of \$100,000 to the LBRSF in 2019 to endow the **◆Cochran Family Scholarship◆**. Don and his late wife Maria both attended Jordan High School and Long Beach City College so both hold a special place for Don and the Cochran family. It is fitting that the Cochran Family Scholarship will provide scholarships to Jordan High School seniors and other students who reside in North or West Long Beach attending Long Beach City College. A Cochran Family Scholarship will be awarded each year and the recipient will receive a \$1,500 scholarship which is renewable for up to three years at LBCC and for up to two additional years if the student transfers to CSULB. The criteria for scholarship recipients will include students who have overcome personal, family or economic challenges; have engaged in community service or volunteer involvement; and have an inspiring personal story.

On September 30th during our Rotary meeting we introduced the **first Cochran Scholarship recipient, Kaisa Matagiolo Faleono**. Kaisa graduated from Jordan High School this year with a GPA over 3.7 while participating in numerous activities such as the Eagle Scouts, Key Club, Vice President of the National Honor Society, IB Jr. and Sr. Class Officer, Youth Leadership Long Beach and many others. Kaisa is also a talented musician who has a passion for the piano and plays several other instruments. He is the son of immigrant parents from Samoa, and as an older sibling in a large household, assumes many adult responsibilities and serves as a role model to his younger siblings.

Did You Know...



Freda Hinsche-Otto
International Service Director



Mark Guillen
Membership Service Director



Lisa Finn
Youth Service Director



Mollie Beck
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Dennis C. Smith
President-elect



Alfredo Velasco
President-nominee



Madrid Zimmerman
Club Executive Director
Club Executive Secretary



Dan Ouweleen
Assistant Governor

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Victor L. McCarty
October 14th



Mark Guillen
October 14th



Donald Burdige
October 15th



Patrick G. O'Grady
October 15th



Don Pierce
October 20th

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

14th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Chris Garner - General Manager, Long Beach Water Department
Subject: WHERE and HOW - LONG BEACH WATER

20th - **RCLB Board of Directors**

21st - **ROTARY ROOTS Lunch Program - Fall 2020**

24th - **Feeding the Future Food Drive**

28th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Robert Luna - Long Beach Police Chief
Subject: POLICING in LONG BEACH

November

4th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Bill Bedrosian
Subject: COVENANT HOUSE - MEETING THE NEEDS OF HOMELESS YOUNG PEOPLE

11th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**
Speaker: Anindo Marshall
Subject: AFRICAN DANCE HISTORY

14th - **Centennial Park Clean-Up**

17th - **RCLB Board of Directors**

18th - **Weekly RCLB Meeting**

19th - **Business Breakfast Roundtable**

25th - **NO WEEKLY RCLB MEETING - Thanksgiving Holiday**

29th - **Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep**

Our Rotary Family...



ROTARIANS MAKING A DIFFERENCE
FOOD DRIVE, OCTOBER 24th

Did you know that nearly 1 in 4 students don't know where their next meal will come from?

We can all make a difference by participating in our upcoming Feeding the Future Food Drive!!

Show your support and let our LBCC and CSULB students know you care by bringing your donations to the drive-up **Food Drive October 24th from 9am-12noon**

[Click to View Flyer](#)

There are several ways you can make an important impact!!

1. Shop now, and often, for the high needs list of non-perishable food and hygiene items*. Fill up bags and boxes with your donations, load them in your trunk and bring them to the **Food Drive on 10/24**.
2. Tell all your family, friends, work associates, community and faith-based organizations about the event so they can participate, too! Share flyers, Facebook and Instagram posts, Nextdoor notifications, etc.
3. Share your ideas with others and challenge/encourage them to spread the word and show their support by **bringing their donations on 10/24!**

BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO EITHER OR BOTH CAMPUSES

LBCC: Off of Clark Avenue between Carson Street and Harvey Way (Lot G, Carson Campus)

CSULB: 7th St. to West Campus Drive or Bellflower Blvd. to Beach Drive (Parking Lot E-11)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th 9AM - 12NOON

THIS IS A SAFE, CONTACTLESS DRIVE-UP EVENT!!

STAY IN YOUR CAR, POP YOUR TRUNK AND LEAVE THE REST TO US

(NO LOOSE ITEMS PLEASE, ALL DONATIONS IN BOXES AND BAGS FOR EASY UNLOADING)

[Click to View Directions/Instructions](#)

*High need items - [Click to Download Shopping List:](#)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canned Meats • Canned Vegetables • Beans and rice • Pasta and sauce • Peanut butter, jelly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dry cereal, oatmeal • Snacks, protein and granola bars, nuts, cookies, crackers • Toothbrush, toothpaste • Shampoo • Hand sanitizer
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Questions: please contact RCLB Rotarians **Leslie Wiberg** or **Wendy Leggett**

Please let the Rotary office know of any Rotarians who might need a wish of wellness or enjoy a congratulatory greeting!

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