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**Club Meeting**

The Rotary Club of Long Beach  
**Meets on Catalina Island This Week**  
Joint Meeting with the Rotary Club of Avalon!

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**This Week's Program**

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| <p><b>Wednesday, September 29</b></p> <p><b>JOINT MEETING</b><br/><b>Rotary Club of Avalon and Rotary Club of Long Beach</b></p> <p><b>Catalina Island Conservancy</b><br/><b>Geoff Coster - Manager, Major Gifts</b></p> <p><b>Reservations are Closed</b></p> |  |
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**Geoff Coster** has been matching those who appreciate Catalina's wild beauty with the needs of the Catalina Island Conservancy since 2018. His focus is on facilitating major gifts for programs, Capital Campaigns, and building the Conservancy's Leadership Circle, an exclusive group of annual supporters whom the Conservancy relies upon to execute its mission. His enthusiasm for the Island increases each year as he continues to camp, hike and tour the Interior with friends, family and supporters. Geoff has completed all three levels of Naturalist Training offered by the Conservancy and is a certified UC California Naturalist.

**President 105's Post #13**

By Dennis C. Smith



Please read this week's comments all the way through as it contains information regarding our weekly meetings.

The history of the Rotary Club of Long Beach's meeting locations is one of tenure and stability. For a few decades through March 2020, our members congregated for the Wednesday lunch meetings aboard the Queen Mary. Prior to that, meetings were held for many years at the Golden Sails Hotel where our first women members joined the Club.

Prior to the pandemic and the financial and legal issues of the Queen Mary operating entity, the Presidential Council had planned on moving our weekly meetings from the Queen Mary. This was due to many factors, including location, distance for members from their cars to the meeting room, and cost increases the QM management included in our renewal contract.

Instead of sticking a pin in the map and stating, all future meetings will be here, it was decided we should try different venues in the City of Long Beach before deciding on the next long standing location. The criteria in our selection process are cost to our members for the weekly luncheon, location, parking, amenities such as WiFi, and the meeting room offering good sight lines, sound, and staging.

[Read More](#)

**Rotary Revealed**

By Lisa Hain



Would you like to learn more about Rotary, the world's largest service organization?

What about becoming more acquainted with the Rotary Club of Long Beach, one of the largest clubs of the 35,000 Rotary clubs in the world?

How about making a difference locally and globally, and seeing if Rotary is a good fit for you?

Connect and learn at our next Rotary Revealed meeting at a beautiful home one of our Rotarians. Meet other new guests and the leadership team of our legendary club.

Appetizers, wine and beverages will be served at the home of Rotarian Diane Donaldson, 640 Santiago Avenue, Long Beach 90814

**Thursday, October 7th, 2021 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Contact Madrid Zimmerman, Executive Director of the Rotary Club of Long Beach  
Email: [madrid@rotarylongbeach.org](mailto:madrid@rotarylongbeach.org) Phone: 562 436-8181

**Come Cruise With Us!**

The Rotary Club of Long Beach is offering another way to enjoy fun and fellowship!  
[\(see attached flyer for details\)](#)



Our annual **Sunset Boat Cruise & BBQ** takes place on Thursday, October 14, at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

We do need your **reservations by September 30** so that we will know how many boats we need for the cruise.

\$65 includes cruising boat, hors d'oeuvres/drinks, BBQ dinner and a whole lot of relaxing fun with Rotarians and friends.

If you haven't already been contacted for your duffy, power or sailboat and have one you want to show off...please let us know.

Hope to hear from you soon!

### Use Amazon SMILE to Donate to the LBRCF

By Matthew L. Kinley, LBRCF Chair



Rotarians can now use Amazon Smile to Donate to the **Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation**

#### What Is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile, a separate portal from Amazon's main site, offers the same items, prices, and benefits as Amazon.com, but with one distinct difference.

When users shop on AmazonSmile, the retailer's Foundation contributes 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charity of your choice. There is no cost to charities or customers, and 100% of the donation generated from eligible purchases goes to the consumer's charity of choice.

#### How to Set Up Your AmazonSmile Account

Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and click "Get Started." If you already have an Amazon account, you'll be asked to sign in. If you don't have an Amazon account, you will need to set one up. It doesn't cost anything to set up a basic Amazon account. It also works with Amazon Prime. You still pay the same prices as if you were under a regular Amazon account.

#### How Do I Choose My Charity?

Once signed into [AmazonSmile](https://smile.amazon.com), you will be prompted to pick a charity. Type in **Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation**. There are more than 1 million eligible 501(c)(3) charities listed.

Once you do that, a percentage of your purchase price on many, but not all, items will be donated to the charity of your choice. During future visits to the site, AmazonSmile will remember your charity and apply eligible purchases towards your total contribution...it is that easy. EVERY time you shop on Amazon, be sure to first sign in to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

### New Member Proposal

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

**Michael J. Neils** - President/Chief Philanthropy Officer  
Proposed classification: Foundations - St. Mary Medical Center Foundation  
Proposed by: Terry Geiling and Tim Aldrete

### Upcoming Events - Click Title for More Info

September 29th  
**[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting - OFFSITE](#)**  
Speaker: Catalina Island Conservancy  
Subject: on Catalina Island - joint meeting with Avalon Club

October 6th  
**[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)**  
Speaker: Neil Sahota  
Subject: How Artificial Intelligence is Revolutionizing the 21st Century

October 7th  
**[Rotary Revealed Information Meeting](#)**  
For Prospects and Sponsors only  
Subject: Information on the Rotary Club of Long Beach

October 9th  
**[Centennial Park Monthly Clean-up](#)**

October 13th  
**[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)**  
Speaker: Brian Connors  
Subject: The Future of Fintech--Cryptocurrency and DeFi

October 14th  
**[Rotary Sunset Cruise & BBQ](#)**  
Duffy and Small Boat Cruise  
Followed by BBQ dinner at LBYC *(In place of the monthly 5 O'Clock Somewhere)*

October 19th  
**[RCLB Board Meeting](#)**

October 20th  
**[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)**  
Subject: Rotary Roots re-scheduled to March 9, 2022

### Birthdays This Week - Click Name to Send a Greeting



[Julie 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



[Dennis C. Smith](#)  
President

[Dana A. Buchanan](#)  
Assistant to the President



[Dorian Bolick](#)  
Vice President



[Robyn Gordon-Peterson](#)  
Vice President

