



## This Week's Program

**Wednesday, February 26**

**"Rock Stars, Movie Icons and Legends:  
A Lifetime of Celebrity Conversations"**

**Gayl Murphy**

*Award-winning Hollywood Correspondent*

**The Queen Mary - Britannia Salon**

*Directions will be sent with receipt of RSVP*

**LUNCH - 12:00 Noon**

**PROGRAM - 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.**



**Gayl Murphy's** fine-tuned news gathering skills have been sought-after by news organizations worldwide as the go-to reporter who can give fast, accurate story coverage to news outlets -- past and present, local, national, and international.

Gayl has an innate sense of how to connect with an audience, The Hollywood Reporter acknowledged her and calls her a "media pro." While another inside Hollywood publication, Performance Magazine, described her as "L.A.'s original on-air radio reporter covering the Hollywood scene from the ground up!"

News happens fast, with so many new and innovating ways of delivering it - Murphy is always ready and able to go "live", broadcasting with no pre-recorded media packages. She's known for getting the scoop on what's hot and what's not in TV and film. Talking about breaking headlines, she digs into news stories exposing the celebrity do-gooders, trending showbiz stories and gets the details on what people are talking about.

Murphy was one of the very first American entertainment journalists to travel to China to report on the state of popular music and culture. "I was invited to cover a Jan and Dean Tour in China for a month. The band were part of a cultural exchange between the two countries, bringing 'Surf City USA' music to the sleeping giant in Beijing, Shanghai and 6 others cities in China. Less than six months after the second tour...student protests erupted at Tiananmen Square and we all know how that went."

In addition to news assignments in Beijing, Shanghai and Berlin, Murphy's travels in search for a great showbiz story have taken her through Europe, Canada, Mexico, The Caribbean, Costa Rica and Japan. In her on-air career, she estimates she's interviewed more than 15,000+ celebrities in entertainment and business.

## Welcome Back, Matt

By Mark A. Kachigan, Sponsor



**Matthew Harms** brings over 15 years of nonprofit experience, including securing major gifts and sponsorships, managing

fundraising portfolios, and leading development teams across multiple organizations. He has also raised significant funds for organizations like the Boy Scouts of America, Walk With Sally, Cerritos College Foundation, Marshall B. Ketchum University, and The Nonprofit Partnership, achieving consistent growth and exceeding revenue targets.

*Mark's Intro:*

It is my pleasure to introduce **Matt Harms** as our newest member of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. Some of you may know he also was a past member of our Club. Matt's passion about making meaningful connections in the community is what has brought him back to us! I've known Matt for approximately 10 years and can assure you he will be a great addition to our Club.

Matt has been involved in the Long Beach community as a volunteer at the Long Beach Historical Society and Long Beach Shakespeare Company. He was also a member of the local Toastmasters Club, Shoreline Speakers, where I met him.

Presently Matthew is the Development Director for Region 2 at Special Olympics Southern California, serving Los Angeles, Kern, and Inyo Counties. Matthew is excited about returning to Long Beach Rotary and being part of a service club that has significantly impacted the Long Beach community, the world, and his life.

It is Matt's desire and passion to "give back" – I believe that is what makes Matt the perfect fit.



## Honoring Paul Harris Fellows

By Donald E. Cochran, Rotary International Foundation Chair

It is my honor today to recognize a group of Rotarians who have achieved their next level of Paul Harris Fellows.

For the benefit of our guests and Rotarians - The Rotary Club of Long Beach supports three different foundations, our own Charitable Foundation and Scholarship Foundation and the Rotary International Foundation known as 'THE FOUNDATION'. These Rotarians have each donated to THE FOUNDATION to earn their next PHF pin.

These Rotarians have donated enough to pay for a water well in Mozambique or 285,000 doses of polio vaccine.



**PHF+1** Raymond Cervantez, Lynne Wainfan and Deborah Williams

**PHF+2** Doug Coleman and Alison Bruesehoff

**PHF+3** Michael Neils

**PHF+5** Liz Lucas, Michele Dobson and Dennis Smith

**PHF+6** Henry Fung



**Congratulations and Thank You to our New Paul Harris Fellows!**

**Click on [Paul Harris Fellows](#) for more info!**

## SAVE THE DATE!

By Natalie Hale, Fellowship Service Director

**Rotary**



Club of  
Long Beach

**5 O'CLOCK  
SOMEWHERE**

**ANGEL'S SHARE  
WHISKEY LOUNGE**

5110 2ND STREET,  
LONG BEACH

**BEER FOR \$5  
BEFORE 6PM**

**30 BEERS ON TAP  
300 WHISKEYS**



**THURS, FEB 27TH 5-7PM**  
**JOIN US FOR  
FELLOWSHIP AND BRING A  
POTENTIAL MEMBER**

**RSVP ON EVITE OR**

**[nhale@mediapartnersww.com](mailto:nhale@mediapartnersww.com)**

**(562)335-5661**

**Attention Rotary Golfers**

By Donald N. Serafano and Mike Wilson



Hello Fellow Rotarians,

Our next Rotary Golf event will be **THIS WEEK** at the **Navy Golf Course**, in **Cypress** at **11:30 on Friday, February 28th**. We have 3 tee times reserved (12 players total). Regardless of your handicap or tee preference, come and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship.

If you are interested, please let us know:

Don Serafano ([dserafano@gmail.com](mailto:dserafano@gmail.com))

Mike Wilson ([wilsomik@gmail.com](mailto:wilsomik@gmail.com))

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you on the links.

Regards,  
Michael Wilson and Don Serafano

**ALSO, SAVE THE DATE:**

We are also scheduled for **Friday, March 28** at **Dad Miller Golf Course**.

---

**Save the Date - March 1, 2025 - RSVP and pay by February 25 to Madrid**

By Linda Josephine Rahn, RCLB Vice President

*Join Rayne Sherman, fellow Rotarians and Friends in an  
engaging, awe-inspiring tour of*

## *The Nethercutt Museum & Collection*

*15180 Bledsoe St, Sylmar, CA 91342*

*Saturday, March 1, 2025*

*Guided Tour of the Collection Begins Promptly at 10 am*

- *The Collection has more than 50 "Best of the Best" Classic Cars*
- *Restoration Shop*
- *Exquisite Antique Furniture & Glass*
- *Rare Musical Instruments e.g. Mighty Wurlitzer Theater Pipe Organ  
(There will be a live performance of the Instruments.)*

*Delicious Lunch Included (On-Site)*



*Followed by*

*Additional Non-Guided Self-Tour of Museum*

- *Extraordinary, Premium Classic Car Gallery including 250+ perfectly restored  
American & European Classic Cars*
- *1937 Canadian Pacific Royal Hudson Locomotive; 1912 Pullman Private Car*

*Cost of Tour & Lunch \$50 per person*

*Free Parking - Car-Pooling strongly encouraged.*

---

## **New Member Proposals**

The following are being proposed as members of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. They 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.

**Duane Evans - Retired, American Plant Services**

Proposed classification: Oil Refineries - Retired

Proposed by: Dave Woody and Steve Keesal

## Monique McCrimmon - Senior Associate, Capstone Tax Consulting

Proposed classification: Tax Resolution Advocate

Proposed by: Kay Cofield and Lynne Wainfan

## Jesse Pazdernik - Executive Director, Los Altos YMCA

Proposed classification: Non-profit Organizations - YMCA Executive Director Los Altos YMCA

Proposed by: Steve Hockett and Lance Kenyon

## Jesa Townsend - Executive Director, Angels for Sight

Proposed classification: Non-profit Organizations - Angels for Sight

Proposed by: Jon Mesko and Natalie Hale

## Birthdays - Click on a Name and Send Greetings



[Valerie J. Owen](#)  
February 27th



[caryn desai](#)  
February 28th



[Paul Kaminski](#)  
February 28th



[Douglas P. Haubert](#)  
March 3rd

## Club Leaders - Click on a Name and Send a Message or Question



[Steve M. Hockett](#)  
President



[Katherine \(Kay\) Cofield](#)  
Assistant to the President



[Braden James Phillips](#)  
Assistant to the President



[Richard Gibson](#)  
Vice President



[Lance R. Kenyon](#)  
Vice President



[Linda Josephine Rahn](#)  
Vice President



[Michael Rivard](#)  
Vice President



[John E. Romundstad](#)  
Secretary  
Treasurer



[Roger Civalleri](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Lisa Finn](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Randall S. Kemner](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Daniel Eufrazio Tapia](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Whitney Leathers](#)  
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



[Lisa Ramelow](#)  
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



[Nancy Zwiers](#)  
Career Service Director



[Timothy Aldrete](#)  
Club Service Director



[Leslie Wiberg](#)  
Community Service Director



[Natalie Hale](#)  
Fellowship Service Director



[Matthew L. Kinley](#)  
International Service  
Director



[Sarah Soriano](#)  
Membership Service Co-  
Director



[Debbie Thorpe](#)  
Membership Service Co-  
Director



[Conor Kenneth Weir](#)  
Youth Service Director



[Michele A. Dobson](#)  
iPast President



[Kelly Ruggirello](#)  
President-elect



[Wayne C. Slavitt](#)  
President-nominee



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



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

## EVENTS

February 26th, 12:00-1:30 PM

### [Rotary Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Gayl Murphy

**Subject:** Rock Stars, Movie Icons, and Legends: Gayl Murphy on a Lifetime of Celebrity Conversations

February 27th, 2:00-3:00 PM

### [RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

**Speaker:** Port of Long Beach - Suzanne Plesia  
**Subject:** "Pier Wind"

February 27th, 5:00-7:00 PM

### [Rotary Connections and 5 O'Clock Somewhere](#)

Meeting for prospective members

February 28th, 11:30-3:30 PM

### [Rotary Club Monthly Golf Outing](#)

This month: Destroyer Navy Golf Course

March 1st, 10:00-2:00 PM

### [Nethercutt Collection/Museum: Tour and Lunch](#)

March 5th, 12:00-1:30 PM

### [Rotary Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Port of Long Beach - Suzanne Plesia  
**Subject:** "Pier Wind"

March 8th, 8:00-9:00 AM

### [Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

March 13th, 2:00-3:00 PM

### [RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

March 13th, 5:30-7:30 PM

### [Rotary Journey](#)

Bi-monthly 2nd Thurs/mo  
Getting to Know Rotary Better

March 18th, 4:00-5:00 PM

### [RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

March 19th, 12:00-1:30 PM

### [Rotary Weekly Club Meeting](#)

**Speaker:** Eric Lopez  
**Subject:** Public Works Projects in Long

March 20th, 8:00-9:30 AM  
[Business Breakfast Roundtable](#)  
Speaker: TBA

March 26th, 12:00-1:30 PM  
[Rotary Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: Austin Metoyer - DLBA

March 27th, 2:00-3:00 PM  
[RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

March 27th, 5:00-7:00 PM  
[Rotary Connections](#)  
Bring a prospective member

March 28th, 11:30-4:00 PM  
[Rotary Club Monthly Golf Outing](#)  
Dad Miller Golf Course

March 30th, 3:30-5:45 PM  
[Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep](#)  
Volunteer to make a Sunday meal for the families at RMDH

	<p align="center"><b>Rotary Club of Long Beach</b> meets every Wednesday @ 12 Noon</p> <p align="center"><b>THE QUEEN MARY</b> 1126 Queens Hwy Long Beach, CA 90802</p> <p align="center"><i>LB Skyline Photo Credit Long Beach Convention &amp; Visitors Bureau</i></p> <p align="center">February 26, 2025 - Vol. 108, Issue 29</p>	<p align="center"><b>Club Office</b> Rotary Club of Long Beach The Queen Mary 1126 Queens Hwy. Silvania Room Long Beach, CA 90802 562-499-1752 <a href="mailto:Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org">Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org</a></p> <p align="center"><b>Visit</b> <a href="#">Long Beach Rotary</a> <a href="#">District 5320</a> <a href="#">Rotary International</a></p>	<p align="center"><b>Visit our Social Media Pages</b></p> <p align="center"> </p>
--	---	---	---