

## This Week's Program



## Feeding the Future – Part Deux Student Food Gift Card Drive – Month of April

### By Leslie Wiberg, Community Service Director

Last Spring, as part of our Club's annual Feeding the Future Community Service Project, we collected food gift cards *in lieu* of a food drive. Nearly 80 gift cards totaling \$1,855 were donated.

As a result, we have designated **April** to be **Gift Card Donation Month** to once again assist our food insecure students at Long Beach City College and at CSU Long Beach.

The Rotary Club of Long Beach has long been a champion of education in our community. Many college students face financial hardship. The rising cost of education often necessitates cutting corners, with food being a common sacrifice. This can have a detrimental impact on their studies, health, and overall well-being. But with your support, we can make a difference.

**Every contribution, big or small, is greatly appreciated!** Please reach out to your neighbors, friends, and co-workers and ask for a gift card in any amount from any location that provides food, e.g. Grocery Store, WalMart, Target or a Sandwich Shop.

### Gift cards will be collected in April, beginning April 9 at the Rotary meeting.

If you prefer to donate to the Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation/ Feeding the Future, we can purchase gift cards on your behalf. Contact with any questions **LeslieWiberg@hotmail.com** or in April at the Rotary meetings.



## Mark Bixby Easter Egg Hunt and Paul Kennard Book Fair



## Rotary Night @ Blair Field

## Come Celebrate President #97 Kay Cofield throw THE FIRST PITCH President #71 Craig Dougherty won the Auction for Kay! All Rotarians/Guests to Group on the Field for the LBRSF Check Presentation Photo & The First Pitch



# ROTARY Night at Blair Field CSULB Dirtbags vs USC Trojans Baseball

# Tuesday, April 22, 2025

5:00pm - Pre-Game Reception at 1<sup>st</sup> Base Pavilion LBRSF Hosted Food and Drink from Legends 6:00pm - Game Time Presentation of Rotary Scholarship Foundation Check for CSULB Scholarships

to President Jane Close Conoley on the Field ! Purchase Tickets through link: <u>www.longbeachstate.com/Rotary</u>

Please RSVP to scholarships@lbrsf.org



## It's a Wrap!

By Gregory L. Owen, RCLB President #75 & Past District Governor 2011-2012

A new rolling Rotary billboard has just hit the freeways and streets of Southern California!

About 15 years ago, my company (Ability TriModal Transportation) wrapped one of our trucks with Rotary International's message about eradicating polio. This month, we are introducing another "moving billboard" – this time a wrapped 28-foot trailer featuring **Rotary's seven Areas of Focus**.

If you happen to spot this rolling Rotary message, you will notice that the colorful graphics include **End Polio Now** and **The Four Way Test.** The brightly colored graphics highlight how Rotary and its programs make a difference in our communities and globally. The traveling display will also have QR codes so people can get more info on Rotary and its life-changing programs.



**Rotary District 5320 Mental Wellness Walk** 







## Birthdays - Click on a Name and Send Greetings







Stacy Mungo Flanigan April 18th



Veronica L. Garcia Davalos April 18th



Deborah Williams April 20th



Marnee Brooks April 20th

Steve M. Hockett



Mu Zhang April 22nd



Mark Schneider April 22nd





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April 15th, 4:00-5:00 PM **RCLB Board of Directors Meeting** 

April 23rd, 12:00-1:30 PM Rotary Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Camp Enterprise Kick-off: Thomas O'Leary Subject: Pres/CEO of JetZero

May 4th, 9:00-1:00 PM Rotary District #5320 Mental Health Walk

May 13th, 5:00-7:00 PM 5 O'Clock Somewhere Monthly mixer

May 22nd, 2:00-3:00 PM RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club

May 30th, 11:30-4:30 PM Rotary Club Monthly Golf Outing Meadowlark, Huntington Beach \$65 includes cart/bucket of range balls April 24th, 2:00-3:00 PM RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club

April 16th, 12:00-1:30 PM

Speaker: Alicia Kirkwood

Subject: LBCC TTC

Rotary Weekly Club Meeting

May 7th, 12:00-1:30 PM Rotary Weekly Club Meeting Speaker: Mark Whicker Subject: Author of Don Drysdale biography "Up and In"

May 14th, 5:30-8:00 PM **Rotary Weekly Club Meeting** Evening Dinner Focus - NO Lunch meeting Subject: 2028 Olympics in Long Beach facilitated by an Olympian medalist

May 27th, 6:00-7:30 PM Special Reception for those attending Rotary Weekly Club Meeting in May 28 lunch in Avalon John Mulvey and Geraldine Knatz hosting wine and cheese reception For those attending the May 28 Avalon Rotary Club lunch

drinks provided by LBRSF

April 30th, 12:00-1:30 PM **Rotary Weekly Club Meeting** Rotary Roots OFFSÍTE: Lunch program at individual member businesses Registration opened April 9

May 8th, 2:00-3:00 PM RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club

May 20th, 4:00-5:00 PM **RCLB Board of Directors Meeting** 

May 28th, 9:00-5:00 PM Avalon, Catalina Is. OFFSITE - Avalon Rotary Club Catalina Canyon Inn

April 22nd, 5:00-8:00 PM LBRSF Annual Sporting Event Reception and CSULB Dirtbags vs USC Game Blair Field - First Base Pavilion Light food/

> April 30th, 12:00-1:30 PM **ROTARY ROOTS Lunch Program** -April 30, 2025

Rotary Roots - individual member hosts

May 10th, 8:00-9:00 AM Centennial Park Clean-up

May 21st, 11:30-1:30 PM Rotary Weekly Club Meeting - Annual InterŠervice Člub Luncheon Hosted by LB Kiwanis Club Speaker: LB Fire Chief Dennis Buchanan

May 29th, 5:00-7:00 PM Rotary Connections Special meeting for member prospects



**Rotary Club of Long Beach** meets every Wednesday @ 12 Noon

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