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This Week's Program

Club Meeting

Long Beach
Meets at The Grand
4101 E. Willow St.
Long Beach, CA 90815
Time: Wednesday at
12:00 PM

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Wednesday, September 10

"Boeing for Tomorrow - C-17 Globemaster III"

Lawrence Kum
C-17 Services Deputy Program Manager
Boeing Global Services

The Grand
LUNCH - 12:00 Noon
PROGRAM - 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Reservations Close Today, Friday September 5 @ 2pm



Lawrence "LK" Kum is Executive Director and Deputy Program Manager of the C-17 Globemaster III Services Program at Boeing Global Services. In this role, he has over-arching Deputy Program Manager responsibilities leading aircraft modernization roadmaps and strategies, non-recurring development, core developmental engineering services, change management, and training services across the C-17 Globemaster III enterprise.

Most recently, he was Director of Mk45 International Programs at BAE Systems where he was responsible for the capture efforts and execution of international programs. Preceding that assignment, Lawrence served as Program Manager and Operating Unit Strategy Lead in the C4ISR business area of the company.

Prior to BAE Systems, he served nearly two decades as a Program Manager for the RQ-4 Global Hawk UAV, F-35 Lightning II, F-22 Raptor, and other C4ISR Programs at Northrop Grumman. Lawrence began his career as a Project Manager at various technology companies in Silicon Valley.

Lawrence holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of California, Davis, a Master in Business Administration from Boston University, a master's degree from Biola University, and a Postgraduate Certificate from Caltech. He is Shipley Capture and Lean Six Sigma Green Belt certified.

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Impressive Woman of Long Term Service, Dr, Manorama Gupta Joins Rotary

By Natalie Hale



[Rotary Weekly Club Meeting - Twilight on the Queen Mary](#)
Speaker: Derek Sabatini
Subject: The Ethical Use of Facial Recognition

September 29th
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting for FY 2025-2026](#)

September 24th
[Rotary Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Dr. Robert Nagourney
Subject: Human Metabolism: The Next Frontier in Medicine; Reading by 9 Fundraiser

September 25th
[RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

BIRTHDAYS

 [Marjorie Fleming](#)
September 8th

 [Beverly L. O'Neill](#)
September 8th

 [Philip L. Sblendorio](#)
September 9th

 [Olivia Maiser](#)
September 10th

 [Donald E. Cochran](#)
September 11th

Years of Service

 [Jack E. Hinsche](#)
08-01-1983
43 Years

 [Donald N. Serafino](#)
08-15-1987
39 Years

 [R. Whitney Latimer II](#)
08-24-1988
38 Years

 [John W. Hancock III](#)
08-01-1990
36 Years

 [Brandon Howard](#)
08-20-2003
23 Years



Dr. Manorama Gupta brings an extraordinary background to Rotary. She has dedicated more than 35 years to medicine, becoming board-certified in both OB/GYN and Cosmetic Surgery. Her training took her from New York at Coney Island Hospital and Downstate Medical Center, to Cleveland at Case Western's St. Luke's Hospital. She later served as Vice Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and has advised medical associations and hospitals throughout Southern California.

However, Dr. Gupta is much more than her medical credentials. She has been a true community leader—serving as President of the Indian Medical Association of Southern California, the Federation of Indian Associations, and the India Association of Southern California. She even advised the California Assembly on health policy and produced community health programs for television. Her service has been recognized nationally: she was named Physician of the Year by the U.S. Congressional Physician's Advisory Board, and received the Pioneer of Healthcare Reform Award as well as the Ronald Reagan Gold Medal for Leadership.

Closer to home, Dr. Gupta founded the Global Peace Foundation, which organizes a Women's Leadership Summit and World Peace Day each year. She serves as President of the United Nations Associations of the United States of America, Long Beach Chapter in Long Beach and as Commissioner of Health & Human Services for our city. And just as importantly, her compassion shines in hands-on service. For over 25 years she has fed the homeless, distributed toys and blankets in Orange County, and helped provide over 10,000 meals for children around the world for more than 6 years. She's also the author of three books on women's health and youth drug prevention.

Her husband, Dr. Madhu S Gupta, is a retired Chairman of the Electrical Engineering Department of Cal State Long Beach, and was a Professor at MIT, UCSD, and SDSU. He is an International speaker.

Dr Gupta enjoys reading on the internet, dancing, music, travelling, and helping others. In short—Dr. Gupta is a physician, a leader, an author, a philanthropist, and now, a proud Rotarian.

Did You Know... How We Elect RCLB Presidents?



VOTE FOR 7 MEMBERS OF THE 2025 ELECTION COMMITTEE

This Election Committee will select the 112th President of the Rotary Club of Long Beach 2028-2029

Please participate - your vote counts

WHAT TO EXPECT:

1. This week you received **Ballot #1** via email and postal service.
2. Please cast your vote for **ONLY 7** representatives who will select the future leadership of the RCLB.
3. Email your selection of 7 names to the Rotary office OR print your ballot, mark the 7 names, and mail to the Rotary office (**1126 Queens Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90802**). Either way, **ballots MUST be received by 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 17.**

The fine print per the Bylaws:

- **The candidates on the ballot are Active members in good standing for 3+ years as of November 1, 2025.**
- **Previous year's Election Committee members are not eligible.**
- **Honorary members are ineligible to vote or to serve on the Election Committee.**
- **Any ballots received after the deadline will be disqualified.**
- **Ballots with more than 7 votes, fewer than 7 votes or more than 1 vote cast per candidate will be disqualified.**

WHAT COMES NEXT:



Don Rodriguez
08-17-2005
21 Years



Michael M. O'Toole
08-03-2011
15 Years



Marcelle H. Epley
08-31-2011
15 Years



Randall S. Kemner
08-01-2012
14 Years



Randall C. Fudge
08-08-2012
14 Years



Alfredo Velasco
08-28-2013
13 Years



Jeremy Harris
08-06-2014
12 Years



Kenneth A. McDonald
08-12-2015
11 Years



Phillip L. Sblendorio
08-31-2016
10 Years



William Albert Grella Jr.
08-30-2017
9 Years



Joseph Wayne Hower PE, DEE
08-30-2017
9 Years



Solimar Salas
08-14-2019
7 Years



Julie Ewart Meenan
08-21-2019
7 Years



Phyllis Hayes-Reams
08-04-2021
5 Years



Dan Garrett Jr.
08-10-2022
4 Years



Gloria Cordero
08-16-2022
4 Years



Deborah Williams
08-17-2022
4 Years



Rachel Massari
08-23-2023
3 Years

Following the tally of Ballot #1, you will receive **Ballot #2** via email with the 14 names with the highest votes. You will again vote for **ONLY 7**, and follow the instructions that will accompany Ballot #2.

THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

Ballots will be counted by at least 3 members of the outgoing Election Committee.

The Election Committee serves for one year, Nov. 1 - Oct. 31. The most senior Past President, determined by year of presidency, shall serve as Chair. Should no Past President be elected to the Committee, the longest serving member of Rotary shall serve as Chair. The Chair may relinquish leadership to the next most qualified member. No person shall serve as Election Committee Chair more than twice in a six-year period.

Should any of the 7 elected members desire their name be included in the nominating process for President-designate, they will relinquish their position on the Committee. Any vacated position will then be filled with the Rotarian receiving the next highest votes from the membership.

The newly composed Election Committee (**7 Rotarians**), plus the President, Immediate Past President, President-elect, President-nominee and Executive Director will meet to discuss eligible President-designate candidates and related matters. Members of the Election Committee shall not be eligible to be elected as President-designate.

The Election Committee not only selects the President-designate but also approves the proposed Directors and Officers of the Club for the succeeding fiscal year. Notice of the results of the election of officers and directors by the Election Committee shall not be given to the members until the RCLB Annual Meeting. The reveal will be the 1st week in December, when the President-elect announces the future Board of Directors, concluding with the announcement of the President-designate (**RCLB President #112**).

Current Election Committee

Cam Doherty Killingsworth, Chair

Michele Dobson

Rich Gibson

Steve Keesel

Olivia Maiser

Braden Phillips

Wayne Slavitt

Meet Diego Garcia

By Jon L. Mesko, Youth Service Director



I've been fortunate to have had many interesting entrepreneurial experiences in my life, and now have improved my title to Philanthropreneur.

One of my favorite ways to inspire and support our next generations is to mentor them with business, creativity and leadership skills.

Rotary hosts Camp Enterprise every spring where we do just that!

This year at Camp Enterprise's orientation, I met **Diego Garcia**, one of the more promising young entrepreneurs I've ever met.

Diego mentioned that he had already started several businesses, one of which was a barber shop out of his garage where he was giving 30 haircuts per week.

I was intrigued and made an appointment for a haircut. After an impressive job, I'm honored to call Diego my barber. Diego noted that Camp Enterprise helped him hone his entrepreneurial skills.

In addition to several other businesses, Diego runs track as a senior at Millikan High School, and is considering joining their Interact Club and attending RYLA next spring if our fundraising efforts are successful.

If you'd like a haircut from Diego, you can schedule one here

[-https://www.calengoo.com/booking/muttscutslbc/](https://www.calengoo.com/booking/muttscutslbc/)

Do You Have Any Instruments to Donate to a Good Cause?

By Tina Barry, Community Service Co-Director

I'm sending this message to anyone who has **an instrument** in a closet or garage and would like **to donate it to a Wilson HS student to play music**. Their music director, Kevin Hamilton is reaching out to the community to see if we can help him. His music programs are so popular that he has more students than instruments and he doesn't want to turn any of his kids away.



My personal story is that Kevin Hamilton was the teacher that got my daughter started in her music career playing oboe. This experience got her to UCLA, then into her current research job in music. I'd do a lot to help Kevin.

Please bring any instruments you can donate to our meeting this Wed, September 10.

I'll get them to Kevin, with gratitude from our Club for all he does for our musically-inclined students. Let me know if you have any questions (*or need me to pick up your instrument!*).

Thank you so much!
Tina Barry
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5 O'Clock Somewhere!

By Linda Josephine Rahn and Natalie Hale, Fellowship Service Co-Directors

SAY "ADIÓS" TO SUMMER
TUES, SEPT 9, 5PM-7PM
BEERS \$5, WINE \$8
FREE BEER WITH BURGER



Rotary Golf in September

By Donald N. Serafano, RCLB President #77

Friday, September 12
11:30am

Rio Hondo Golf Club - Downey

Greens Fees
\$50 for Seniors
\$70 for Others

This includes a Cart!

Call Don to Reserve: 562-743-5983

The 19th Hole is all about Fellowship!



New Member Proposal

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.

Mollie Bennett - CEO, Hoopla

Proposed classification: Event Planning
Proposed by: Judy Ross and Kelly Ruggirello

Laura Doud - City Auditor, City of Long Beach

Proposed classification: Government - Municipal - City Auditor
Proposed by: Cam Killingsworth and Deborah Williams

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