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ROTARY**

**Club Meeting**

Long Beach  
Meets at THE GRAND  
4101 E Willow Street  
Long Beach, CA 90815  
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

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**This Week's Program**

<p><b>Wednesday, January 11</b></p> <p><b>The Power of Philanthropic Collaboration</b></p> <p><b>Darick J. Simpson</b> Earl B. and Loraine H. Miller Foundation President</p> <p><b>12:00 Noon - LUNCH</b> <b>12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Program</b></p>	
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**Darick J. Simpson** is President of the Earl B. and Loraine H. Miller Foundation. Within his initial years of leadership, The Miller Foundation has continued to enhance its role as a Funder and innovative Community Collaborator with Foundations, Nonprofits and Businesses.

Before joining the Miller Foundation in 2019, Mr. Simpson served 13 years as Executive Director of the Long Beach Community Action Partnership (LBCAP). Three of those years he also served as the Region IX Representative on the National Community Action Partnership Board. With his leadership LBCAP grew from 24 staff and a \$1.3 million budget to a high point of 120 staff and \$17 million. During this tenure he also provided leadership in serving thousands of families in poverty and creating the Public Access Digital Network (PADNET.tv) which serves the Long Beach Community. Throughout his career Mr. Simpson has established an excellent reputation as a community leader with diverse experiences that include business development, community development, youth programs and entertainment.

In addition to myriad corporate and community accomplishments nationally, Mr. Simpson is a published author with three books, a podcast and serves as a national CLIFTONSTRENGTHS Facilitator. He also served as a member of the Recording Academy and was a voting member of the Grammy Awards from 2008-2014. He has been nationally recognized as a PBS SoCAL American Graduate Champion, CCEJ Humanitarian Award Recipient. In 2020, he was selected as the California State University Long Beach, Leader in Residence and in 2022, he was selected as one of the Long Beach Ronald McDonald House Few Good Men. Mr. Simpson is most proud to be a father of twins, grandfather of five and alumnus of the University of Alabama.

**POST - Camp Enterprise**

**By Daniel Eufrazio Tapia, Chair**



My colleagues in Long Beach excellence,

Without question, the most important thing that we do in the Long Beach Rotary is prepare the youth in Long Beach to be safe, successful, healthy contributing members of the most loving and livable city in California. Reading by 9, RYLA, Feeding the Future, and, of course, Camp Enterprise sets our Club apart for excellence in service and commitment to our city's youth. I joined this Club for the camaraderie, but I stay and sing our praises to others for this singular reason. We take care of our kids.

Camp Enterprise, thanks to the generous contributions of the Steuber Family and the Henry Meyer Endowment, does untold wonders for high school juniors in our area, many of whom have rarely seen the world outside the city, let alone going to camp to learn and grow in the fresh air of Camp Oakes. As we look to this coming year's program, we are excited to be able to make a real difference in the lives of a new cadre of students.

Here's what we need from you. This program relies on volunteers to organize and operate. Some of you will go "up the hill," and others we need to communicate with the schools, prepare for send-off, organize events...and so much more (which we do so well). If you are not able to volunteer for the trip, there is still somewhere I can have you contribute that will be meaningful. If you can go up the hill, and/or you are able to join the Planning Committee, please reach out to me right away - [danieleufraciotapia@gmail.com](mailto:danieleufraciotapia@gmail.com) Many hands make for lighter work, and I promise you it is rewarding and fun. For those that struggle to make weekly meetings, this is a great opportunity to contribute.

This year's camp will be April 4<sup>th</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>, which is a Tuesday through Thursday, due to Good Friday being on that week.

I look forward to working with all of you,  
Humbly yours in service,  
Daniel Tapia

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## Write a Caption!



**WHAT** - Submit a caption for this photo - 'Dan Tapia'

**WHEN** - by EOD Thursday, January 12

**Send caption to -**  
Wayne Slavitt - [wayneslavitt@gmail.com](mailto:wayneslavitt@gmail.com)

**Top Winners will be announced at the January 18 lunch meeting**

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## Can You Host Evening Dinner Focus?

By John E. Romundstad, Evening Dinner Focus Chair

After a long hiatus due to COVID, our annual **Evening Dinner Focus** (EDF) returns to the Rotary calendar on **Wednesday, February 1**.

For members who are relatively new to the Club, once each year, in lieu of our weekly Wednesday luncheon meeting, we meet instead for dinner in the homes of several fellow Rotarians to discuss a designated topic. This year, the topic of discussion will be our Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation (LBRCF). We will address where the funds come from; how the funds are invested; to what charitable purposes the funds are devoted; and what changes, if any, should be made to our charitable objectives, among other subjects. A member of the LBRCF Board will serve as discussion moderator in each host home.

All of which leads me to the central purpose of this article - **we need Rotarians who will open up their homes for this special event. We need approximately 8-10 hosts**, depending on the overall number of attendees. Dinner can be prepared by the host or purchased elsewhere, as the host desires; each host will be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the amount of \$25 per attendee.

So, please contact either Madrid [madrid@rotarylongbeach.org](mailto:madrid@rotarylongbeach.org) or myself [jer.attorney@verizon.net](mailto:jer.attorney@verizon.net) if you are willing and able to serve as a dinner host on February 1. EDF is a signature Rotary event, and offers an opportunity for an intimate evening of Rotary fellowship that all participating members will enjoy.



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## Learning About the RCLB's Partnerships in Rotary International Projects

By Freda Hinsche Otto, International Service Director



## RCLB INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS OVERVIEW MEETING

### WHAT'S HAPPENED? WHAT'S TO COME? HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

Water projects in Mozambique. Polio eradication. Medical services in Caborca, Mexico. Water cisterns in the Navajo Nation. Global Grants scholarships. Malaria work in Africa. and much, much more . . .

Are you interested in finding out more about what the Rotary Club of Long Beach is doing internationally? Join us for an informational update and project review meeting and find out how you can get involved.

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**

**5:30 pm to 7:00 pm**

Rancho Los Alamitos

6400 East Bixby Hill Road

Long Beach 90815

***Wine, cheese and appetizers.***

RSVP to Freda Hinsche Otto at [fhinscheotto@icloud.com](mailto:fhinscheotto@icloud.com) or Madrid at [madrid@rotarylongbeach.org](mailto:madrid@rotarylongbeach.org)

### New Member Proposal

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

#### **Maria F. Hunter - Sr. VP Relationships Manager, Enterprise Bank & Trust**

Proposed Classification: Banking

Proposed by: Dennis Smith and Steve Hockett

#### **Greg Magnuson - Owner, Achievement Systems, LLC**

Proposed classification: Consultant - Education Management

Proposed by: Steve Hockett and Craig Cross

### Upcoming Events - Click Title for More Info and for Meeting RSVP

January 11th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** Darick Simpson - Miller Foundation  
**Subject:** The Power of Philanthropic Collaboration

January 14th  
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

January 17th  
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

January 17th  
[5 O'Clock Somewhere](#)  
Joe Jost - Cash Bar  
Re-scheduled from Jan 10 to Jan 17

January 18th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** Kelly Colopy - City of Long Beach  
**Subject:** The Mental Health of Long Beach

January 24th  
[Rotary LB International Projects](#)  
Rancho Los Alamitos - 5:30-7:00pm

January 25th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** Johnny Sampson  
**Subject:** Catalina Museum for Art & History

January 31st  
[Rotary Connections](#)  
For membership prospects

[Rotarians Appreciate Wine \(RAW\)](#)  
TO BE RESCHEDULED

February 1st  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
Evening Dinner Focus  
(No lunch meeting)

February 8th  
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
**Speaker:** Leron Gubler  
**Subject:** Hollywood Walk of Stars

February 11th  
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

February 14th  
[5 O'Clock Somewhere](#)

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



[Kenneth H. Trossen](#)  
January 13th

### Rotary-versaries - Click Name to Send Congrats



[Tony T. Chi](#)  
27 Years



[Mark A. Kachigan](#)  
20 Years



[John M. Graham III](#)  
19 Years



[John E. Romundstad](#)  
17 Years



[James M. Morris](#)  
12 Years



[Traci R Glassock](#)  
10 Years



[Lisa Ramelow](#)  
9 Years



[Freda Hinsche Otto](#)  
8 Years



[Rhiannon Evans Acree](#)  
8 Years



[Richard Gibson](#)  
6 Years



[Carolyn Caldwell](#)  
5 Years



[Susan Collida](#)  
5 Years



[Diane J. Donaldson](#)  
4 Years



[Jim Better](#)  
3 Years



[Lee Shoag](#)  
3 Years



[Michael Rivard](#)  
2 Years



[Gilbert Maldonado Wenseslao](#)  
New Member



[Raymond Cervantez](#)  
New Member

<p><b>Rotary Club of Long Beach</b> meets every Wednesday</p> <p><i>LB Skyline Photo Credit Long Beach Convention &amp; Visitors Bureau</i></p> <p>January 11, 2023 Vol. 106, Issue 26</p>	<p><b>Club Office</b></p> <p>400 Oceangate, Suite 470 Long Beach, CA 90802</p> <p>562-436-8181</p> <p><a href="mailto:Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org">Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org</a></p>	<p><b>Visit</b></p> <p><a href="#">Long Beach Rotary</a></p> <p><a href="#">District 5320</a></p> <p><a href="#">Rotary International</a></p>	<p><b>Visit our Social Media Pages</b></p> <p> </p>
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