

ROTARYGRAM

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Alfredo Velasco, Salvador Farfan, Past President Kay Cofield, Past President Cam Killingsworth, President-Elect Steve Keesal, Supervisor Don Knabe, President Jayne Lastusky, President-Nominee Gail Schwandner, Olivia Maiser, Connie Rivera and Jay Beeler at Supervisor Knabe's office in recognition of Rotary Long Beach's 100th Anniversary.

NOVEMBER 2, 9, AND 30 ABOARD THE QUEEN MARY.
NOVEMBER 16: RSVP - OFFSITE DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR.
NOVEMBER 23: DARK - NO MEETING FOR THANKSGIVING.

This Week's Meeting - November 2 - LA County Supervisor Don Knabe

Due to term limits, Don Knabe will be retiring from a position he has held since 1996. Knabe



Calendar

Bring a Guest

- November 2: LA County Supervisor Don Knabe
- November 9: Phil Angel - LA Homeless Initiative
- November 12: Centennial Park Clean-up 8:00am (Brian Russell)
- November 16: OFFSITE - Downtown Historic Walking

represents the 4th District, a uniquely diverse area ranging from Marina Del Rey through the San Gabriel Valley. Knabe has spent most of his political career protecting innocent and vulnerable children in Los Angeles County. He formerly served on the Cerritos City Council and as past president of the Cerritos Chamber of Commerce. 48 years ago he married Julie Gillbreath, a native of Long Beach.

Next Week's Meeting - November 9, 2016 - Phil Ansell - LA County Homeless Initiative



In June the State Assembly passed House Resolution 56 urging the Governor to declare a state of emergency on homelessness in California. This swift legislative move followed a unanimous vote by the LA County Board of Supervisors requesting this declaration.

Phil Ansell was appointed Director of the County's Homeless Initiative in 2015 when he temporarily left his position as Chief Deputy Director of the Department of Public Social Services, where he played a key role in the design and implementation of numerous programs and services for homeless families and individuals.

Last Week's Meeting - October 26, 2016 - League of Women Voters - CA November Ballot Propositions

Faced with 17 state ballot propositions, voters this November are asked to make many important decisions. Representatives from the League of Women Voters provided a summary of some the California state ballot propositions: 62 and 66 (Death Penalty), 63 (Firearms Ammunition), 56 (Cigarette Tax), and 61 (Prescription Drugs). They also made available a summary pamphlet for everyone to help navigate through the state propositions.

Also last week, Wendy Sorel was recognized for her new position as CFO for YMCA of Greater Long Beach and newlywed Miri Lee explained why 1000 was a special number in her name character in Korean. Freda Hinsche Otto introduced our newest member, Mary Ellen Mitchell (Executive Director, LB WomensShelter)

Tour (start at The Federal Bar)

November 16: LB Rotary Charitable Foundation Board Meeting 2:15pm

November 23: DARK - No Meeting for Thanksgiving Holiday

November 27: Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep (Randy Gordon) 4:00-6:00pm

November 30: Robert Haxby, CBS Studio Archives

November 30: 5 O'Clock Somewhere at The Wine Country (wine tasting) 5:30-7:30pm



Birthdays of the Week

November 2 - **Gainer Pillsbury** (LB Memorial Medical Center, Medicine-Obstetrics/Gynecology)

November 3 - **Angela Fisher** (National Recalls, Health Care-Administrative Services)

November 4 - **Gail Schwandner** (Retired, Education-LBCC-Educational Development)

November 4 - **Henry Taboada** (Retired, Government-Municipal-City Manager)

November 6 - **Wende Nichols-Julien** (Court Appointed Special Advocates, Non Profit Organizations - CASA)

November 6 - **Karl Von Der Linden** (P2S Engineering, Engineering-Design High Performance Systems)

November 6 - **Swami Nathan** (Threshold Partners, Consultant-Mergers & Aquisitions)

[Reading by 9 - Frank Newell - Fundraising Chair](#)

If you didn't attend the October 26 lunch program to watch Frank miraculously match the many faces in the crowd with the appropriate names.....there is still time to support Rby9. Contact the office with your pledge and payment preference (562-436-8181).



76 members and 2 guests made their pledges last week. With the additional matching grant money, \$42,325 has already been raised!

[Election Committee FY 2016-2017](#)

The new Election Committee will be holding its first of two meetings on November 10 to discuss potential candidates for President #103.

If you have a recommendation of one of our members to be considered, you may contact any of the following before November 10: Greg Burnight, Cam Killingsworth (chair), Frank Newell, Connie Rivera, Gail Schwandner, Dennis Smith, Alfredo Velasco.

[OFFSITE: November 16 for Downtown Walking Tour](#)

Be sure to **RSVP by November 9** for the November 16 OFFSITE lunch program. It will be a Downtown Walking Tour of historic commercial buildings along Pine Avenue and the Promenade. We will start at 12 noon with a box lunch at The Federal Bar, followed by an hour-long tour.

We need an exact headcount in advance for the box lunch and tour guide fees per person.



[Annual District Rotary Foundation Gala - November 19](#)

Celebrate 100 years of the Rotary



Rotarians, friends and family showing service above self at the Ronald McDonald House.

NEW QUEEN MARY MENU

Have you noticed lunch lately on the Queen Mary? Like the Street Taco Bar?? Taste of Tuscany??? Asian Stir Fry??? Pannini Delights?

As a reminder there is a minimum charge of \$10.00 to attend the lunch program.

Even if you do not eat anything, we still have to pay for the room facility, Queen Mary staff, parking.



Rotarians proudly show-off scroll awarded by Don Knabe at October 26 Board of Supervisors meeting.



Our club has pledged to donate 100 PINTS FOR BLOOD for 100 YEARS by June 2017 !

(International) Foundation at this year's District Gala. Indulge in the supper club atmosphere of *The Great Gatsby* theme in the Balboa Pavilion (400 Main St., Newport Beach). Festivities start at 5:00pm. RSVP online (www.rotary5320.org/calendar) or through Lauren Pittman (714-878-4646). Cost is \$110 per person, semi-formal attire. Call the office if interested in sitting with other LB club Rotarians.

[Centennial Video Interviews](#)



Help us celebrate our Centennial! You will be contacted by a member of our Centennial Video Brigade to do a brief but fun video interview. Just looking for a 30-60 second sound-bite to use during our meetings, website, Facebook page throughout the Centennial year. Just say YES, when you get the call or email....we want to tape each and every one of you.

Contact Debra Fixen (dfixen@yahoo.com) for dates of upcoming blood drives around the city.



December 3 - Christmas Parade

Join Belmont Shore's *Candyland Christmas* on Saturday, December 3.

Contact Katherine Peoples-McGill (562-424-4477, katherine@hppcares.org) to help with decorating our float and/or marching with the club.

Lance Kenyon and *The Hammered Nails* will be performing with us.

Rotary Club of Long Beach usually meets every Wednesday at 12:00 noon on the Queen Mary.

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