

ROTARYGRAM

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Some of the Rotarians who marched in the 34th Annual Belmont Shore Christmas Parade--Jane Netherton, Jerry Bloeser, Gabrielle Canale, Fennard, Lynne Wainfan, Sandy Simon, Steve Keesal, Jayne Lastusky, Connie Rivera, Terry Geiling, Matt Kinley--joined by friends and family.

December meetings are aboard the Queen Mary.

[This Week's Meeting - December 14 - Steve Keesal's Board Revelation and President #103](#)

[Calendar](#)

Bring a Guest

December 14: President #101 Board Revelation and Announcement of President #103

December 21: Holiday Lunch Program

December 28: DARK for Holidays



President #101 Steve Keesal will reveal who's consented to stand with him as he leads us into our second century. And to be sure you'll know that we are solidly set for the future, he'll also reveal who will follow President #102 Gail Schwandner, to be known as President #103.

Next Week's Meeting - December 21 - Holiday Lunch - Queens Salon 4th floor - *RSVP by December 14*



Colby Benson, who wowed the Long Beach Symphony Pops "Monster Mash" audience October 15 with her rendition of "Thriller" will perform at our Annual Holiday Lunch on December 21 in the Queens Salon. Benson is a talented vocalist, songwriter and performer who at age 15 was chosen as one of only 325 people out of 100,000 who made it to American Idol's Hollywood Week season 10. She has won numerous awards and contests. Her stage performance credits include: "Amneris" in Aida, "Sharpay" in High school Musical and "Annie" in Annie.

Another highlight will be a surprise visitor from the North Pole checking out who's being naughty or nice. Come single or bring a guest but don't miss this very special program.

RSVP by December 14: petite filet mignon or vegetables en croute.

Last Week's Meeting - December 7 - Capt. Rich Abele and the USS IOWA During WWII

January 4: TBA

January 11: LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn

January 18: Chris Lowe - CSULB Shark Lab

January 25: Centennial Kick-off Program



Birthdays of the Week

December 14 - **Mark Kachigan** (Pabst, Kinney & Assoc, Real Estate-Residential Income & Investment)

December 17 - **Conor Weir** (Retirement Benefits Group, Financial-401K Plan Advisor)

December 20 - **Tony Chi** (Tony T. Chi, DMD, Dentistry- Oral Surgery)

December 21 - **Otis Cliatt** (Pacific Harbor Line, Railroad Companies)

December 22- **Mitch Dion** (Retired, Oil & Gas Industry - Industrial Lubricants)

December 24 - **Jeremy Harris** (LB Area Chamber of Commerce, Associations-Chamber of Commerce)

December 25 - **Scott Magee** (Magee & Adler, APC, Attorney-at-Law-Estate Planning & Taxation)

December 28 - **Miri Lee** (Ourtopia, Inc., Networking - Travel & Social)

December 30 - **Phil Steuber** (Alta Office Services, Coffee - Service)



Rich Abele was employed in the aerospace industry for 32 years and served in the US Navy, remaining in the Reserves for another 30 years. He volunteers as a tour guide on the battleship USS IOWA in San Pedro. The IOWA was commissioned in 1943 and became primarily an anti-aircraft weapons ship during WWII, serving in 18 anti-aircraft engagements in the South Pacific. Her largest guns had a range of 24 miles (an easy shot from Long Beach to Catalina Island). Long Beach was her home port during WWII and the Korean War. Out of the 49 battleships saved, the USS IOWA is the last of the 8 that have been saved.

Also at Last Week's meeting, President #97 Kay Cofield introduced our newest member Rich Gibson. Suny Chang was caught in the LBBJ news and Mollie Beck's grandson is on the current St. Anthony football team that's clinched the school's first division playoff since 1948.

Membership Avenue Director - Dennis Smith



Thank you to everyone who has brought guests to our Rotary meetings and events in 2016. As you make your plans, resolutions, goals or objectives for 2017 please have one of your non-work priorities being to introduce someone to the Rotary Club of Long Beach with the intent of possibly becoming a member. Our club's future for 2017 and the next hundred years is dependent on every member being conscious of introducing new members to our club. Looking forward to a wonderful 2017 for our club and every Rotarian, knowing the New Year will present us with many new members that will contribute to our wonderful club.



Paul Harris reminds everyone to attend next week's Holiday Extravaganza.



January Centennial Kick-off Program

RI President John Germ will not be able to visit us in January 2017. The Centennial Kick-off meeting has been re-scheduled for January 25



*Save-the-Date: January 26, 2017
LBR Scholarship Foundation Night*

Check Presentation to Rotary Scholars

CSULB vs. CSU Fullerton 7:30pm game
Tickets: 562-985-4949 or LBSUtickets@csulb.edu

2016 Year-end Donations

Through Long Beach Rotary you've had an opportunity this year to make pledges--Centennial Legacy project, Reading by 9, birthdays, special recognitions, Operation Santa Claus.

Contact the office by this Friday, December 16, to get your 2016 tax deductible donations in for year end. Office staff may not be available last 1.5 weeks of December to process.

Please advise the office in advance if you are planning to mail in a check and allow for 5-10 days for delivery.

For those wishing to make donations to [The Rotary \(International\) Foundation](#) for Paul Harris Fellow credits:

- 1) Call Rotary Contact Center at 866-879-8279 with your member ID# and credit card---remember it is Chicago time zone.
- 2) Or make check payable to THE ROTARY FOUNDATION and mail to 14280 Collections Center Drive in Chicago, IL 60693.

For those wishing to make donations to the [LB Rotary Scholarship Foundation](#):

Mail checks to LBR Scholarship Foundation at 1119 Queens Hwy., Suite 103, Long Beach, CA 90802



Belmont Shore Parade on Spectrum TV

Did you miss the December 3rd Belmont Shore Christmas Parade? Or maybe just want to re-live the wonderful memory?

Spectrum Charter is broadcasting the 2016 Christmas Parade on Channel #188, every Saturday and Sunday at 4:00pm, during the month of December

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

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