

# ROTARYGRAM

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Rotary's float "Doing Good in the World" was awarded the Princess Trophy for the most beautiful float 35' and under in the 2017 Rose Parade. Riding on the float in the front are RI President John Germ and his wife Judy.

**ALL JANUARY LUNCH MEETINGS ABOARD THE QUEEN MARY.**

**[This Week's Meeting - January 11, 2017 - Janice Hahn - LA County Supervisor, 4th District](#)**



Janice Hahn is no stranger to Long Beach or to our Rotary Club, as she was elected the US Representative for our 44th District in 2012 and 2014. A Los Angeles native, she first entered public office in 1997 joining the LA Charter Reform Commission and started serving on the LA City Council in 2001. In December 2016, Hahn succeeded Don Knabe as the LA County Supervisor for the 4th District.

## [Calendar](#)

Bring a Guest

January 11: LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn

January 18: Chris Lowe - CSULB Shark Lab

January 25: Centennial Kick-off Program -  
RSVP by January 18

February 1: OFFSITE at the Golden Sails - Ken  
McDonald - LB Transit Zero Emission Buses -  
RSVP by January 24

**Also This Week** the parade of Past Presidents as Sergeant-At-Arms continues with Jane Netherton doing the honors. As part of our Centennial celebration past presidents will serve as Sergeant-At-Arms during the 3rd Quarter. Past Presidents in the on-deck circle for future meetings are Whit Latimer, Bob Graham, Frank Newell, Kay Cofield, Terry Geiling, Greg Haeseler, Greg Burnight, Carl Calkins, Russ Hill.

**Next Lunch Program - January 18, 2017 - Chris Lowe - CSULB Shark Lab**



Christopher Lowe began running the CSULB Shark Lab in 1998. Over the last 20 years he has used and developed acoustic telemetry techniques to study movements, behavior, and physiology of sharks, rays and gamefishes. His recent research has focused on the development of robots for autonomously tracking sharks. He was recognized as one of the 100 Most Influential People by OC Register in 2016.

**Chronicler Report - "Breezy Beverly" Goes to Sea**

*Under the headline "Rotarian Beverly" the following story written by Walter Hayes appeared in the June 1993 Bulletin of the Nottingham, England, Rotary Club.*



It was yours truly's experience, when acting as President at a Rotary meeting on "Sea Princess" sailing on the North China Sea, to have a female Member Rotarian arrive at the meeting (the only one) and 20 or so members from half a dozen different countries were, like Walter, surprised. She turned out to be a lively American member from the Long Beach Rotary Club, California, and when she discovered our "wonderment" at having a female Rotarian in our midst, she proceeded to accept the fact and her undoubted ability to match most present Rotarywise (Her husband also on board was NOT a Rotarian.) Beverly, a University high-ranking Staff Member, certainly had lots of friendly banter for the remainder of the cruise and finally, after being much photographed, sent yours truly one of her Club banners which now hangs at Rose Cottage (inside a cupboard) along with a most charming letter. That was back in April 1989 and I may well send a copy of this Bulletin to breezy Beverly. I wonder if she is still in Rotary?

*Yes, Walter, she's still in Rotary. Matter of fact one year after this story appeared in 1993 "Breezy Beverly" was elected Mayor of Long Beach. She was reelected in 1998 and in 2002 won her third term as a write-in candidate because by law she could not appear on the ballot for a third term. Beverly was the first big city mayor to be successful as a write in. Beverly O'Neill has*



**Birthdays of the Week**

- January 9 - **Steve Dragovich** (Advanced Orthopedic Solutions, Manufacturing - Medical Devices)
- January 9 - **Bob Latimer** (Latimer and Massoni, Accountants - Certified Public - Accounting Services)
- January 10 - **Craig Dougherty** (The Dougherty Company, Insurance - Casualty)
- January 13 - **Ken Trossen** (Equity Brokers, Inc., Real Estate - Residential)



*Wednesday's Speaker Mike Machat makes presentation to Jay Leno for "Jay's Book Club." Machat returns after a very well-received presentation in 2012 on the history of the Douglas Aircraft Co. in Long Beach.*



**January Centennial Kick-off Program**

been a member of our Rotary Club for 28 years having joined in 1988. Before being elected mayor she spent 31 years working at Long Beach City College last five as Superintendent-President.

**Last Meeting - January 4, 2017 - Mike Machat - Aviation Artist, Author, Historian**



There have been three main industries that have affected the growth of Southern California: agriculture, entertainment, and aviation. Artist, author and historian, Mike Machat discussed the role of aviation, especially its effect in Long Beach, from Charles Lindberg landing in Long Beach and how Donald Douglas revolutionized air travel for passengers. Machat is the former Staff Illustrator for the McDonnell Douglas Corporation and first President of the American Society of Aviation Artists. He has painted murals in the Bob Hope Airport terminal, Edwards Air Force Base, and the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica. Machat has four paintings in the Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum and eight paintings in the Pentagon. He is the only artist to win the prestigious Combs Gates Award from the National Aviation Hall of Fame. As an aviator, Machat has flown in 225 different types of aircraft. He has written several books on commercial and military aviation and was the former Editor-in-Chief for *Wings & Airpower Magazine*.

**Also at Last Week's Meeting:** Carl Calkins provided a *Member Talk* recalling his 40 years in the club (including his presidency 1982-1983 and overseeing the largest Polio Plus campaign in 1988 when \$220,00 was raised by the club) and time spent as former Chief of Police for Long Beach. Past President Randy Gordon (2004-2005) recognized Mitch Dion for his birthday and pointed out that Mitch has the dubious honor of avoiding directorship on the board through his entire 50 years with the club; he is one of our club's most faithful greeters--often the first face you'll see when coming to our weekly lunch meeting.

**Centennial Kick-off - January 25, 2017 - RSVP by January 18**



**RSVP now** for a seat at our Centennial Kick-off during our regular Wednesday lunch meeting on January 25. Guests from the first generation of clubs we have sponsored will be in attendance, so we want to be sure we have plenty of room for all. Highlights include historical reflections on three of our club's major emphases and an update on the centennial plans for the year. Program starts with a

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



**NEW DATE!**

**Save-the-Date: February 16, 2017  
LBR Scholarship Foundation Night**

**Check Presentation to Rotary Scholars**

CSULB vs. UC Davis 7:00pm game  
Tickets: 562-985-4949 or  
LBSUtickets@csulb.edu



**POLIO Plus Concert with Itzhak Perlman**

**Segerstrom Concert Hall  
Sunday - January 22 - 3:00pm**

Experience the world's reigning virtuoso of the violin, who is a polio survivor. 25% of ticket purchase donated to Polio Plus.

Ticket code: ROTARY  
www.philharmonicsociety.org 949-553-2422

Cash Bar at 11:30am. Cost to those not on the Meal Plan: \$30.

**"Return With Us Now To Those Thrilling Days of Yesteryear**



No, not the Lone Ranger -- The Golden Sails Hotel. On February 1 Rotary will make a triumphant return for one meeting at the Golden Sails where our club met for 18 years between 1974 and 1992. The move to the Golden Sails, 6285 E. Pacific Coast Highway, was a major and for some members a controversial change because it was the first time in the club's 57-year history that we did not meet downtown. During our tenure at the Golden Sails attendance averaged somewhere in the neighborhood of 300 members each week. The room could be set up with a head table on the stage or on the side. Many historical moments for our Club occurred at the Golden Sails including the raising of \$220,000 for Polio Plus, and the introduction of the "Fabulous Four," the first women to join Long Beach Rotary--Jean Bixby Smith, Jane Netherton, Jayne Lastusky and Cam Killingsworth. It was also the site of legendary programs like Ted Turner, George Deukmejian, Funeral Director Randy Stricklin's demotion and *the program that will live in infamy,* "The Trampoline Salesmen (more on that next week). The Golden Sails was the birthplace of Table 13 and "Rotary South, the bar adjacent to the meeting room where many members (and some speakers) would gather for a pre-game warm-up before the meeting. Past Presidents who served at the Golden Sails include Jim Willingham, Carl Calkins, Randy Stricklin, Vic McCarty, Craig Dougherty, Bob Fronke, James Robert Howe and Greg Owen. The program February 1 will be Ken McDonald of LB Transit and the zero-emission bus program. By popular demand the Sergeant-at-Arms will be Frank Newell.



RONALD MCDONALD SUNDAY MEAL PREPARATION

Come help prepare a home-cooked meal for the families staying at Ronald McDonald on **Sunday, January 22** (the fourth Sunday of the month).

Contact team captain: Denise Dahlhausen  
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Rotary Club of Long Beach usually meets every Wednesday at 12:00 noon on the Queen Mary.

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