

# ROTARYGRAM

May 24, 2017 - Vol. 100, Issue 46



*Rotary Club of Long Beach received the 2017 Building Bridges Award at the California Conference for Equality & Justice (CCEJ) 54th Annual Humanitarian Awards Dinner on Thursday. Theresa Bixby and fellow Rotarians Michele Dobson and Carl Ann and Don Wylie also received individual Humanitarian Awards.*

***Aboard the Queen Mary: May 24***  
***OFFSITE: May 31 RSVP for Michelle Obama Library***

***This Week's Program - May 24 -  
Dr. Bryna Kane - Skin Care and  
Cancer***



Dr. Bryna Kane is the senior founding partner and co-owner of Long Beach-based Laser Skin Care Dermatology Associates and is a graduate of the UC Davis School of Medicine. Dr. Kane has been practicing adult and pediatric dermatology for over 30 years. She coordinates with other doctors and specialists in medical, surgical and



*Cup of Kindness to be awarded June 7*

cosmetic dermatology for all skin concerns. Dr. Kane has clinical teaching appointments at both UCLA and UC Irvine where she is Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine/Dermatology and continues to teach residents in her practice.

**Also This Week ....** A recognition of some of the major Centennial Legacy Donors and new Paul Harris Fellows.



**Next Lunch Program - May 31 - OFFSITE - Developments in North Long Beach**

The Michelle Obama Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.) is the venue for this lunch program, and is a good example of the re-development taking place in North Long Beach. Tom Carpenter is VP of Acquisitions for Frontier Real Estate Investments. Carpenter will be talking about the North Long Beach property that he's developing and his projections for the the North Long Beach retail and business corridor. Frontier Real Estate Investments has 125 years experience in development, specializing in infill retail properties.

**Also Next Week ...** LB Vice Mayor Rex Richardson and other distinguished guests from the LB Public Library will be joining us.



**President's Message - Long Beach Rotary Receives 2017 Building Bridges Award from CCEJ**

Thursday evening, May 18, 2017, was a spectacular night for all of our club. The California Conference for Equality and Justice (CCEJ) 54th Humanitarian Awards Dinner recognized Don and Carl Ann Wylie, Michel Dobson and Theresa Bixby. The first Henry Meyer Youth Award was presented by Terry Geiling. I was deeply honored to accept the *Building Bridges Award* on behalf of our club. When Rotarians were asked to stand and be recognized, nearly a third of the attendees were on their feet. The program began with MC and Rotarian Braden Phillips and concluded with Rotarian Sergio Garcia. Award presenters included Craig Cross and Jill Rosenberg. It was a reminder of the incredible impact Rotarians who practice *service above self* every day have had and continue to have on our community. Our shared values such as service, fellowship, diversity, integrity and leadership were evident.

Building Bridges Award presenter and CCEJ Board member, Craig Cross, referenced our 100 years of service and said "...the *Building Bridges Award* is one of our most prestigious. Tonight we honor an

## Calendar

*"Share Rotary with a Guest"*

May 24: Dr. Bryna Kane - Skin Care and Cancer

May 31: What's Happening in North Long Beach? (Michelle Obama Library) - RSVP  
OFFSITE

June 7: TBA - Centennial 2017 Cup of Kindness Award

June 14: DARK - NO LUNCH MEETING

June 21: Last meeting - Celebration of the Past Presidents

June 21: Announcement of the President's Award

June 28: NO LUNCH but PRESIDENTS' PARTY (5:30pm at KYL) RSVP



*Our Presidents' Party will be held June 28 on the 14th floor of the Union Bank Building. Invitations will be mailed soon.*

organization with guiding principles developed over the years with strong common purpose and direction. The principles serve as a foundation for relationships with each other and the actions taken locally and around the world." He summarized his comments with the 4 Way Test.

What a wonderful event! Every Rotarian in the room left feeling proud and grateful.

### [Last Week's Meeting - May 17 - Dan Zaharoni - Re-development of the Queen Mary and Its Surroundings](#)



In defiance of the recent headlines in major daily newspapers, Dan Zaharoni of Urban Commons stated with his very first sentence that the Queen Mary is "not going to sink." In April 2016 Urban Commons became the leaseholder of the ship and the surrounding 65 acres. Structural renovations to the 83-year-old vessel are part of the \$250 million master plan proposed by Urban Commons to the City of Long Beach to keep the ship in good shape for another 80 years. The master plan includes the development of the surrounding area to be known as the Queen Mary Island, which will be a vast entertainment complex to include an amphitheater, hotel, boardwalk, marina, urban indoor adventure. The vision is to create a destination in Long Beach like Disneyland and Universal Studios for all ages.

**Also Last Week ...** Youth Services Director Michele Dobson announced the winner of this year's student *Service Above Self* winner, Taeler Danzler, a Lakewood High School senior. Queen Mary Commodore Everette Hoard briefly described the history of the Grand Salon---a room that could accommodate 815 people, the entire first class passengers in one seating.

### [The Chronicler Report - The Green Family](#)



Ray Green, Jr.

The Green family has a long history with Long Beach Rotary. Raymond



### Birthdays of the Week

May 23 - **JC Richards** (Retired, Manufacturing-Adhesive Products)

May 25 - **Cindy Swan** (Bloch Chiropractic, Consultant-Public Relations)

May 26 - **Bob Steuber** (Alta Office Services, Coffee - Service)

May 29 - **Suny Chang** (LINC Housing Corp., Non-Profit Organizations-LINC Housing Corp.)

May 30 - **Greg Burnight** (Curtis & Burnight, Attorney-at-Law - Real Estate)

May 31 - **John Graham** (Graham Consultants, Consultant - Strategic Technology)

May 31 - **Jane Close Conoley** (CSULB, Education-CSULB-Administration - President)



LB Rotaractors and Rotarians (Mary Sophiea, Gabrielle Canale, Whitney Leathers, Michele Dobson, Lynn Wainfan) march in this year's Gay Pride Parade.

H. Green Sr. was the 19th president of our club in 1935-1936 and was such a dedicated member he has the Rotary emblem on the door of his vault at Sunnyside Mausoleum on San Antonio Drive. The Greens ran Green's Printing, a very successful printing business located on Spring Street near Cherry Ave. Green's printed the Rotarygram for many years and before the arrival of faxes and email the editor would personally deliver the copy to Green's each week. In addition to Ray Green Sr. many members of the Green family were part of the business including Rotarians Ray Green Jr. and Rex Green. As legend has it the following is what happened years ago when a Sergeant-at-Arms called their office.

*"Good morning, I'm from the Rotary Club, can I speak to Mr. Green?"*

"I'm very sorry to tell you this but Mr. Green passed away several months ago."

*"Please accept my condolences but can I speak to Mr. Green?"*

"Too bad you didn't call earlier because Mr. Green retired just last month."

*"I understand, can I speak to Mr. Green?"*

"You just missed him -- he's on vacation and won't be back for two weeks."

*Exasperated, the Rotarian say "OK, OK can I **please** speak to Mr. Green?"*

After a long pause the voice on the other end of the phone says...  
"speaking".

GIVE BLOOD FOR OUR 100 PINTS



For our centennial year LB Rotary has pledged 100 pints.  
Contact Debra Fixen (dfixen@yahoo.com)  
or www.redcross.org

*You can give every 56 days.....*

*....If you missed the April 26 Bloodmobile Drive at the Queen Mary, you can still give blood at any time during 2017 to count towards our 100 pints!*

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

Rotary Club of Long Beach:  
1119 Queens Highway, Suite 103, Long Beach, CA 90802  
562-436-8181; Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org

Visit: [Long Beach Rotary](#), [District 5320](#), [Rotary International](#), [E-Club of the West](#)

