



ROTARYGRAM

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This Week's Lunch Program - June 5, 2019

Aquarium of the Pacific - Pacific Visions - Dr. Jerry Schubel

Dr. Jerry Schubel has served as president and CEO of the Aquarium of the Pacific since 2002. He was the original champion of a plan to expand the Aquarium in an untraditional manner -- by creating a new wing devoted to educating the public about humanity's relationship with and impact on world oceans.

Opening just last month to the public is Pacific Visions, a wing combining a high-tech theater, art gallery, interactive displays and live animals.

Founded in 1998, the Aquarium of the Pacific is the fourth most-attended aquarium in the nation. It displays over 11,000 animals in more than 50 exhibits that represent the diversity of the Pacific Ocean.



Find out who will be receiving the President's Award at lunch !

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, June 5, 2019 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program
Aquarium of the Pacific - "Pacific Visions" - Jerry Schubel
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
 - Thursday, June 6, 2019 - 1:00pm: Last Monthly Golf Outing
Mesa Verde Country Club
Contact Dennis Smith
 - Saturday, June 8, 2019 - 8:00am-9:00am: Centennial Park Clean-up (2nd Sat/month)
Park entrance on E. Pacific Coast Hwy., near Junipero
Contact Ahmet Atahan
 - Wednesday, June 12, 2019 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program
The Return of World War II Veteran - Sam Sachs
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
 - Thursday, June 13, 2019 - 5:30pm-7:30: 5 Way Test Monthly Mixer
Hosted by Curtis Pilon - Shenanigan's (Shoreline Village)
Band performance at 7:00pm
 - Wednesday, June 19, 2019 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program
Roasting and Toasting President Gail Schwandner - The Demotion
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
 - Wednesday, June 26, 2019 - 6:00pm-8:00pm: Presidents' Party
No lunch meeting, for evening event
Aquarium of the Pacific - new Pacific Visions Wing
Invitations forthcoming, but save-the-date
 - Thursday, June 27, 2019 - 6:00pm-8:00pm: LBRCF Community Grant Check Presentation
Able ARTS Works fundraiser concert - free admission
The Ordanarie 210, The Promenade North
Exile on Broad Street presented by Keesal, Young & Logan
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Next Rotary Lunch meeting
- Wednesday - June 12 -
75th Anniversary of D-Day -
Sam Sachs



At age 104, retired Army Lt. Col. Sam Sachs joined the Army in 1931 and served for 32 years. As part of the Normandy invasion, his glider coming under heavy enemy anti-aircraft attack, landed safely in French farmland about two miles from Utah Beach.

This is an incredible opportunity to hear directly from a D-Day veteran!

This Week's Birthdays

Jun 3 - **Russ Hill** (Halbert Hargrove Global Advisors LLC, Financial - Investment Counseling)

Jun 3 - **Ken McDonald** (Long Beach Transit, Transportation - Public Transit)

Jun 3 - **Adriana Lanting** (Adriana Lanting & Associates, Real Estate - Mortgage Loans)

Jun 5 - **Wendy Leggett** (SERVPRO of Downtown Long Beach, Restoration Services)

June 6 - **Tom Merrick** (T.F. Merrick Co., Inc., Real Estate - Industrial Property)

New Member Proposal

The following is being proposed as a member of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. Her name is hereby submitted to the membership for a 10-day period as required by the by-laws. Any comments can be addressed to the President or the Executive Director of the Club during this 10-day period.

Leslie Davis - President, Trusted Life Care, LLC

Proposed classification: Health Care - Medical/Non-Medical Home



President's Message

Weren't we lucky to have such an amazing understandable speaker for a not always understandable topic? Seiji Steimetz is Professor and Chair of Economics at CSULB and Director of the Office of Economic Research. He told us that our LB population of about 470,000 has not changed significantly over the last decade. Our median household income is about \$60,500 which has grown by about 10% over the last 5 years and that we are enjoying an historically-low rate of unemployment at 4.2% which anyone who is trying to hire or keep employees can attest to. The median single-family home in LB is about \$629,000 which has grown by about 10.8% over the last two years. And median rent, that we hear so much about, is actually a bargain (even though it doesn't sound like it) at \$1,800 when it is compared to rent in the LA/Anaheim area which is \$2,300. The big number that really surprised me was that downtown LB retail sales have grown by about 21% to \$590 million over the last year. I heard many people commenting as I left about what a good job he did so you missed another good one if you weren't here.

Craig Cross did a very special In Memoriam moment for Bob Langslet who recently died. Craig was in his

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Proposed by: Lisa Hain and Vali De Vries

Presidents' Party - June 26

We're ending the 102nd year of the Rotary Club of Long Beach with the beginning of the Aquarium of the Pacific's Pacific Visions. This new wing just opened in late May to the general public. At 6:30pm we start in the two-story Honda Pacific Visions Theater with a viewing of "Designing Our Future" --the story of the world's oceans----featuring high-resolution footage of marine animals, animated segments and computer-generated imagery. Rotarians can then munch through the appetizer buffet in the Culmination Gallery as they experience interactive art installations, engaging multimedia displays and a live animal exhibit.

Date: Wednesday - June 26, 2019 (no lunch program that day)

Place: Aquarium of the Pacific - Pacific Visions Wing

Time: 6:30pm showing of "Designing Our Future"

Cost: \$65/person

Cash Bar for your beverage selection

Parking vouchers provided to the first 50 Rotarians who RSVP with the Rotary office. Otherwise \$9.00 as you leave the garage.

(The Aquarium does not close to the general public until 6:00pm.)

Please RSVP by June 19.

regular morning exercise group and knew all about the tough exterior that hid a huge heart. We heard about his life with the lovely Audrey who passed away several years ago and how he got his start in LB. These are the things we often never know as when we meet them they are extremely successful and it is really important to know how they had to be really smart and work very hard to have this successful career. Thank you, Craig!

Ginny Baxter did an especially creative birthday celebration with Bob Steuber. She left her notes at the dais but we couldn't find them. So, my best guess is that she was making things up but Bob was a good sport and only prompted her when she gave the wrong name for his wife and when the grandchild number did not even come close to the number in the picture on the screen. Thank you, Bob, for your contribution to the LBRCF.

This was my day to present the Rotary Cup of Kindness Award. It is defined as going to someone who has made notable contributions to others without thought of reward, personal gain or recognition. Freda Hinsche Otto almost fell out of her chair when her name was announced but while she was surprised, she was a popular choice and many sent me emails saying how deserving they thought she was. Her work with us, LBCC, Rancho Los Alamitos and other organizations is well known to many and greatly appreciated.

We had a really fun last Rotary Revealed of the year with Jayne Lastusky and Craig Dougherty hosting at Craig's wonderful beach



Aquarium of the Pacific - Pacific Visions Wing

house. We had a very large group of Rotarians attending and I believe close to 12 prospectives. Good food, plenty of beverages, and lots of fun was had by all; how could they not want to be LB Rotarians.

OK, I have 2 program meetings, 1 demotion meeting and 1 presidents' party left to go. But who is counting !!

Gail #102

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at 12:00 noon on the Queen Mary (1126 Queens Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90802)
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