

ROTARYGRAM

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This Week's Lunch Program - January 22, 2020

"The Popular Art of Storytelling"

Mariana Williams



Mariana Williams is producer of *Long Beach Searches for Greatest Storyteller*, currently in its tenth year. She leads storytelling workshops on the art of expressing oneself in memoir. She penned the Veronica Bennett series of novels, receiving "Most Humorous" international book award for two of them. Her father had a thriving business for over 50 years in Long Beach and her husband, songwriter Paul Williams, drove in the LB Grand Prix. Her affection for Long Beach is long and deep.

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, Jan 22, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program
The Popular Art of Storytelling - Mariana Williams
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
- Thursday, Jan 23, 2020 - 6:00-8:00pm: Rotary Revealed Information Meeting
Hosted by Diane Donaldson (640 Santiago)
RSVP to bring a prospect
- Sunday, Jan 26, 2020 - 3:00pm-5:00pm: Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep
500 E. 27th St. (near Atlantic)
Contact Michele Dobson to help with the meal preparation
- Wednesday, Jan 29, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program
Harry Saltzgaver - "What the Heck is Happening on 2nd Street?"
Come early for Table Networking
In Memoriam for John Wavell
Queen Mary, Britannia Salon ("M" Deck in the stern)
- Saturday, Feb 1, 2020 - 7:30pm LBR Scholarship Foundation Check Presentation at
LBSU Men's Volleyball vs. UCLA at Walter Pyramid
Free tickets - includes pre-game reception
Contact:: Scholarships@lbrsf.org
- Wednesday, Feb 5, 2020 - NO Lunch, but Evening Dinner Focus
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Sign up by **January 29** to join an intimate group at a LB Rotarian's home
"Long Beach Rotary 2030"
Hosts and Moderators needed.

Next Rotary lunch meeting
- Wednesday - January 29 -
Harry Saltzgaver - "What
the Heck is Happening on
2nd Street?"



For anyone who frequents Belmont Shore, you might have noticed a few businesses departing. What is happening on 2nd Street? Harry Saltzgaver has been wondering. He's been executive editor of the Gazette Magazines for more than 20 years and has had more than 30 years' experience in both weekly and metropolitan newspapers.

Come early for Table Networking. There will also be an *In Memoriam* for John Wavell.

This Week's Birthdays

Jan 27 - **Steve Kuykendall** (Steven T. Kuykendall & Associates, Consultant - Business)

Jan 28 - **Jim Morris** (JCL Traffic Services, Contractors - Temporary Traffic Control)

Jan 28 - **Judy Vander Lans** (Retired, Judiciary - Superior Court)

Jan 31 - **Lun Hom** (Retired, Medicine - Neoplastic Diseases)

Wanted for Evening Dinner Focus

Hosts and Moderators. This year's Evening Dinner Focus will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020.. This is a popular annual event where club members meet in small groups to have dinner at another LB Rotarian's home. The topic will be Long Beach Rotary 2030.

If you are **interested in hosting or serving as a moderator**, please contact **John Romundstad** (jer.attorney@verizon.net).

If you are interested in **attending** this dinner meeting, please **sign up with the office no later than January 29**

WANTED: Interviewer for Global Scholars

If you care about students studying abroad to make this world a better place...and you have **Saturday (March 14) morning open...** please join LB Rotarians and other District Rotarians to interview candidates for the next Global Grant Scholar. Social Media Savvy will help in this process.

The two most recent recipients Suzan Al Shammari and Izak Epstein were sponsored by LB Rotary.

Contact Dee Wood (dwood9119@gmail.com) if you would like to participate in the Global Scholars program in some way.



President's
Message

One of the things I like most about Rotary is the diversity of our events. We **GET TO** pick from lots of options when it comes to spending time together and in the way we "do good".

A favorite event of mine is the Evening Dinner Focus. Getting together in smaller groups of Rotarians with a topic to discuss that isn't the typical "small talk", gives us the opportunity to really begin to get to know each other. Please consider signing up to attend or to be a host (we give you money to use toward the meal you decide to serve) or to be a moderator directing the discussion and making sure everyone has a chance to be heard. Fellowship at its finest!

Speaking of small groups, Business Breakfast Roundtable is another opportunity to get together in a smaller group to discuss a meaty topic. Last week, LB Rotarian Suman Naresh, taught us all about Intellectual Property law--well not ALL about it, but he did share valuable pointers on trademarks, copyrights and patents. Do you have an interesting topic in your field of expertise you can share? Next BBR is set for March 19. Talk to Rayne Sherman or Wendy Leggett.

Bicycling definitely falls under the "diverse events" definition. In honor of our beloved Connie Rivera, a hearty (and not so hearty--my category) group of Rotarians and friends are doing "Connie Rivera's Aloha 60k Birthday Ride" this Friday January 24th--which would have been Connie's 60th birthday. Now, 60 kilometers is probably not going to happen on that little beauty you see in the photo, BUT I can ride the first part and drop off in Belmont Shore. I plan to return to the start (by car) and enjoy lunch with the group. Join us. Marcelle Epley has details.

As always, you are welcome to attend the Board of Directors Meeting tomorrow, January 21st at 4:00. We meet at the local Red Cross Chapter. It is a good idea to know the inner-workings of any organization you belong to. We'd love to have you.

Whatever you choose to do this week, be sure to have fun doing it!

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Rotary Club of Long Beach usually meets every Wednesday
at 12:00 noon on the Queen Mary (1126 Queens Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90802)
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