

# ROTARYGRAM

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## [This Week's Lunch Program - January 29, 2020](#)

### *"What the Heck is Happening on 2nd Street?"*

*Harry Saltzgaver*



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.

***Lunch takes place in the Britannia Salon, on the "M" Deck in the stern of the ship.***  
Take [interior elevator](#) to "M" Deck and walk to the back of the ship

## [Upcoming Events](#)

- Wednesday, Jan 29, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
**Meeting starts at 12:25pm**  
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"  
**Moderators needed.**
- Saturday, Feb 8, 2020 - 8:00am-9:00am: Centennial Park Clean-up  
Entrance on E. Pacific Coast Hwy., near Junipero  
Contact: Robyn Gordon-Peterson
- Wednesday, Feb 12, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
John Bishop - Children's Village, Miller Women's and Children's Hospital

Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)

- Thursday, Feb 13, 2020 - 5:00-7:00pm: 5 Way Test (every 2nd Thursday/month)  
Location TBA
- Wednesday, Feb 19, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
Mouhsen Habaib - Naples Island Seawall Project  
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)

**No Rotary lunch meeting -  
Wednesday - February 5 -  
Evening Dinner Focus,  
instead**



NO lunch meeting aboard the Queen Mary. There is the Evening Dinner Focus at 5:30pm, instead. Reservations must be made with the **office directly by January 29**, in order to be assigned to a location. We have gracious hosts who are opening up their homes, so it is important to get an exact headcount in time for them to shop/prepare for dinner.

As we enter into a new decade it is a perfect time for us to ponder: What will the Rotary Club of Long Beach look like in 2030? What do you want our club to be in 2030 and what will it take to get there? How can we as a collective come together to make our club the most relevant and impactful member of the LB community in 2030?

If you want to be part of this discussion, sign up with the office today!

**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)

Feb 2 - **Will Grella** (Will Grella, DDS, General Dentistry)

**Wanted for Evening Dinner Focus**

**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 **servicing 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**

It's nice to be able to give the hosts plenty of time to shop and prepare for dinner !

**New Member Introductions**

Our membership is now 282 members since two new members were introduced last week. **Veronica Garcia Davalos** is a former member of Long Beach Rotary. Her job move as Executive Director to the American Red Cross now makes it possible for her to be back



**President's  
Message**

It's not every day you get texted by two past presidents WHILE your speaker is at the podium. Their claim is that after 4870 meetings it was on my watch that the first, (and second and third and perhaps fourth), "f-bomb" was laid forth during a Rotary meeting. I, personally, find this hard to believe considering all those years at the Golden Sails and the tales I've heard about Rotary prior to the gentler sex being introduced. But, it makes for a good story....

Great turnout at Rotary Revealed last week. Thank you, Diane Donaldson, for hosting us in your lovely home. All who attended made Rotary look like a bright shiny penny---well done!

I have a sense that we will see an annual return of the Aloha Bike Ride in Connie Rivera's memory. It was memorable and the lunch gathering afterward was well attended by those too chicken to try the bike ride. I was too chicken to FINISH the bike ride and peeled off at about the halfway mark, conveniently located very near my house. As always, we saw some faces we don't often see on Wednesdays. And that, my friends, is why we have these smaller events for your consideration. Special thanks to Marcelle Epley, Laura Doyle, Alfredo Velasco and Tim Aldrete.

Speaking of smaller events, that's where we REALLY get to know one another. Where, would you think, did I learn that Jack Hinsche is an auto racing fan, Gail Schwandner has a fairly stringent bedtime and Lisa Ramelow can pole dance? Evening Dinner Focus! A week from Wednesday is our annual Evening Dinner Focus and I challenge you to learn something new about a fellow Rotarian that night. Yes, we have a topic to discuss but the REAL reason we attend is the opportunity to establish deeper friendships. So, remember what your mother taught you about being respectful and understanding these events don't happen overnight....RSVP right away.

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in Long Beach. Veronica has devoted her career to serving community as a passionate professional and volunteer. Her sponsors are Judy Ross and Gloria Cordero. **John Mathews** is a Long Beach native. He is bilingual and biliterate in Spanish. A graduate of the Harvard Law School, he later went to Puerto Rico as an Assistant US Attorney. He is currently Senior Legal Counsel for The Justice Collaborative. His sponsors are Judy Seal and Greg Haeseler.

Both Veronica and John helped in Puerto Rico during the aftermath of Hurricane Maria -- which is a good indication of the calibre of character they bring to Rotary.



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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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