

# ROTARYGRAM

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### *It Takes a Village*

#### **John Bishop**



John Bishop became CEO of Long Beach Memorial Medical Center in 2015. When complete in 2021 the Cherese Mari Laulhere Children's Village will be a 80,000 square foot, four-story building on the Miller Children's & Women's campus that will provide a one-stop-shop approach to pediatric specialty care in an outpatient setting. Each year Children's & Women's sees 65,000 in its outpatient specialty centers across the region. There are seven medical offices locations in Long Beach and the Children's Village will bring the services from all seven locations into one building.

### [Upcoming Events](#)

- Wednesday, Feb 12, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
John Bishop - "It Takes a Village"  
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
- Thursday, Feb 13, 2020 - 5:00-7:00pm: 5 Way Test (every 2nd Thursday/month)  
Location: Jade on the Water (6380 Pacific Coast Hwy. #A)
- Wednesday, Feb 19, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
Mohsen Habib - Naples Island Seawall Project  
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
- Wednesday, Feb 26, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
Michele Dobson - ADA and Long Beach Businesses  
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy., 90802)
- Friday, Feb 28, 2020 - 11:30am first tee: Monthly Golf League Outing  
Contact Rich Gibson

**Next Rotary lunch meeting**  
**- Wednesday - February 19**  
**- Naples Island Seawall**  
**Project - Mohsen Habib**



The Naples Island Seawall project repairs are underway. This consists of the area between Ravenna Bridge and the eastern portion of The Toledo Bridge. Some sections of the canal walls have significant risk of "global" failure due to their present deteriorated condition, should the site experience a "moderate" near-source earthquake.

**This Week's Birthdays**

Feb 10 - **Vali De Vries** (State Farm Insurance, Insurance - General)

Feb 12 - **Nelson Kerr** (Dept. of Health & Human Services, Government - Environmental Health)

Feb 12 - **Brett Lewis** (ChildNet Youth & Family Services, Non-Profit Organizations - ChildNet Youth & Family Services)

Feb 17 - **Ken Cecil** (Kenneth Cecil Accountancy, Accountants - Certified Public - Accounting Services)

Feb 17 - **Tony Gales** (Rossi Doscocil & Finkelstein, Accountants - Certified Public - Taxation)

Feb 17 - **Jill Rosenberg** (Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance, Real Estate - Residential)



**President's Message**

Thank you to the hosts and moderators for our Evening Dinner Focus! Our hosts were Freda Hinsche Otto, Steve Hockett, Joe Hower, Matt Kinley, Jerry Maize, Judy Ross, Jean Smith, Greg and Val Owen. The moderators were Michele Dobson, Terry Geiling, Ken Jacobs, Adriana Lanting, Brian Russell, Judy Seal, Steve Shaw, and Conor Weir. We appreciate that you helped facilitate what goes down in history as yet another excellent Rotarian event! John Romundstad, 'godfather of EDF' and his team of Lisa Finn and Marcelle Epley, are to be congratulated.

I have a confession to make. I have a pile of Rotarian magazines that I have yet to read. They often have very interesting articles and the issue with the photography contest is pretty amazing. But I digress. This week I got around to reading the August issue. A Rotarian from Boise, Idaho, wrote in to comment on an article in the May issue called "The Four-Way Test in a Post-Truth Era". (Can't say I remember reading that issue/article :) but his letter was very interesting. He quotes a speech made by John Dean (of President Nixon-era fame) made during the District 5670 (Kansas) conference in 2003. Dean apparently summed up the Four-Way Test like this, "Truth, fairness, friendliness and community assistance are timeless necessities". I like that version of the Four-Way Test. He further said, "the key to this test is not necessarily the answers to the questions. Rather it is what asking the questions forces you to do----to think".

Teaching Ethics to Kids (TEK) is the program a remarkable group of our Club members created as a gift to commemorate our Club's centennial. The recipients are middle school students and it is in the form of a school-based curriculum about ethical conduct based on the Four-Way Test. Come celebrate the success of this program at this week's meeting.

*Mollie*  
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P.S. For those of you interested in Nixon-era history, John Dean concluded his remarks with "I am going to tell you without fear of contradiction that had those of us in the Nixon White House who were involved in Watergate stopped to apply The Four-Way Test -- even if only occasionally -- there would have been no Watergate."

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