

# ROTARYGRAM

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## [This Week's Lunch Program - March 25, 2020](#)

### ***MAKING LONG BEACH ROTARY HISTORY***

#### ***March 25 Lunch Program via Zoom Video Conferencing***

#### ***Not aboard the Queen Mary***

So you can meet virtually, install the Zoom.com app to your phone or computer and allow the app to access your microphone and video.

1. Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/213910633>

**Meeting ID: 213 910 633**

and/or

2. Dial by your location

*(note that this feature can be used without your computer--just call in to participate)*

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/acYdTNZW32>

"Meeting Room" opens starting at 12:15 for a 12:30pm meeting



### [Upcoming Events](#)

- Wednesday, Mar 25, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
Zoom Video Conferencing -- see instructions above
- Thursday, Mar 26, 2020 - 9:00am-10:00am: CDC Book Delivery **POSTPONED**  
Burbank CDC (535 Junipero)  
*Will be re-scheduled*
- Thursday, Mar 26, 2020 - 5:00pm-7:00pm: Rotary Revealed information meeting  
**POSTPONED**
- Friday, Mar 27, 2020 - 11:30am-4:00pm: Monthly Golf Outing  
Contact Rich Gibson
- Sunday, Mar 29, 2020 - 3:00pm-5:00pm: Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep (every other last  
Sunday  
of the month) 500 E. 27th St. (near Atlantic Ave.)  
Need help to buy and drop off the dinner (no cooking in their kitchen)

Contact Leslie Wiberg or Dorian Bolick

- Wednesday, Apr 1, 2020 - 12noon-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
Juan Huizar - From La Victorina to Opportunity  
Queen Mary, Grand Salon (1126 Queens Hwy.) or via Zoom
- Wednesday, Apr 1-3, 2020: Camp Enterprise **CANCELLED** (LBUSD schools closed)

**Next Rotary lunch meeting - Wednesday - April 1 - From La Victorina to Opportunity- Juan Huizar**



LB Rotarian Juan Huizar's journey began in the dry, remote village of La Victorina in Zacatecas, Mexico. Surviving in this desolate land with no running water or electricity was no easy task and the lack of opportunities was apparent. In search of the American Dream, his family set their sights on the United States, as they knew this would lead to a better education and an abundance of opportunities. After a treacherous journey through the deserts of Mexico, Juan and his family placed their roots in the Central Valley of California, where they began taking advantage of their new life through commitment, hard work, and overcoming challenges. Juan will share his story and his path to becoming a Rotarian and explain why the United States is truly the land of opportunity.

**This Week's Birthdays**

Mar 24 - **Stephanie Dowds** (City of Long Beach, Government - Municipal - City Prosecutor - Deputy City Prosecutor)

Mar 25 - **Denise Dahlhausen** (Retired, Non-Profit Organizations - For the Child)

Mar 28 - **Dan Walker** (Farmers & Merchants Bank, Banking)

**Help to Shop and Drop Off RMD Sunday Dinner**

Sunday, March 29 is our regular date to prepare the Sunday Dinner at the Ronald McDonald House. This Sunday we will not be able to use the RMD kitchen to cook. So instead, we can drop off a restaurant prepared meal.

If you are able to help, please contact: Dorian Bolick (dorianbolick@aol.com) or Leslie Wiberg (lesliewiberg@hotmail.com)

**ATTENTION PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS**  
**FREE Scholastic Learn at Home**

Our partnership with Scholastic Books through our very successful Reading by 9 program, brought this option to us for public use. Anyone can sign in through the link to use this free resource. It provides all students (as early as pre-K) with 20 days' worth of learning journeys to help keep children/students academically active while schools may be closed. Each day has 3 hours of learning opportunities including projects, articles, stories, virtual field trips, reading and geography challenges.

[www.scholastic.com/learnathome](http://www.scholastic.com/learnathome) - Keeping Kids Reading, Thinking, and Growing

**BUSINESS ROLL-CALL**



**President's Message**

Welcome to the new normal. At least for the time-being....

Rumor has it that you inundated Madrid with birthday wishes last Friday in some very clever ways. Good work LB Rotarians! But she got a birthday gift we can't match...she became a Gramma again on Saturday with the arrival of Shiloh Z. A bouncing 6 pound 3 ounce baby girl joining her brother Elijah, 6 years old and sister Maddison, 4 years old. Shiloh was a little early but she's doing well.

Michele Dobson and family are in a rental home now (with a lovely piano). As of right now they do not have any needs other than the same distractions we are all looking for. She is eternally grateful for all the support she's received from you.

Andy McFarland's son Walter took first place in Naples Sabot Fleet competition put on by LB Yacht Club at the end of February. Seems Andy isn't a sailor but Walter clearly is. While this is definitely an ideal topic for a recognition, this is a freebie for the Commish. You're welcome 😊 Great article and photo in the Gazette. Congratulations!

Tony Gales and Steve Keesal recently donated their time to provide real-life guidance to Millikan High School students when they participated in a Youth Mentoring opportunity. This is a way that LB Rotary is supporting education that most of you may not know exists. Henry Fung, your Career Services Director (formerly known as Vocational Services) is doing a fabulous job of finding Rotarians to fill specific LBUSD requests for speakers. This program is going to take off so watch for more information during President-Elect Matt Kinley's upcoming year.

Randy Kemner reports that craft beer is very popular these days. No commentary from me. 😊

Board Meetings and Committee Meetings are continuing as does the work of Rotary. Get involved and rally your Committees! In fact, your Board of Directors will be meeting every two weeks until we find the right mix of Club 'mojo' and Club business. The magic continues!

Very exciting times for our Club as we're making Long Beach Rotary history this week. Our first ever "virtual" meeting after 103 years. Join in the fun and excitement with a touch of the "unknown" on Wednesday. We'll figure this out together!

In closing, remember to "Ring a Rotarian" (ok...'phone a friend') and stay in touch. Everyone is doing well at social distancing but we need to remain keenly aware of the

Your Communication Director, Laura Doyle (pidoyle@gmail.com) has created a Business Roll-Call on our Long Beach Rotary FaceBook Page designed for you to share your business/non-profit, what goods and services you offer and a contact link. It was conceived to offer support of our Rotarian's businesses...so add your business then check out who is open and how we can utilize their services. For assistance please contact Laura.

effects of social isolation. And, fresh fruits and vegetables are in need of replacement for those folks who cannot get to the market. Remember, letting people help you is as big a gift of kindness, if not more so, than helping someone else.

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*P.S. Please send me your updates so I can share them with your Club Members. We all want to know how you're doing!*

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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