

# ROTARYGRAM

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## [This Week's Lunch Program - May 20, 2020](#)

### *May 20 Lunch Program via Zoom Video Conferencing (Not aboard the Queen Mary)*

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

### *"Re-opening for Business"*

#### *Long Beach Day Nursery*



It is clear that businesses and organizations will face unique issues as they re-open after the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. In these past few months, the LB Day Nursery, considered an essential business caring for young children of essential workers, has faced and solved some of these issues already. LBDN Executive Director (and LB Rotarian) Whitney Leathers will explain some of these issues and how they were addressed, including coordinating with government agencies and vendors.

In 1913, LB Rotary founding president Joe Mottell began celebrating his birthday with a party for the children at the LB Day Nursery. For the next 30 years Mottell and other Rotarians held his annual birthday party at the Nursery, establishing a long-standing and close relationship that exists today between the Day Nursery and LB Rotary.

### ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

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.

OR JOIN via a LINK

***\*\*\*A separate email will be sent to you with Zoom link, meeting ID #, etc.on Tuesday afternoon\*\*\****

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

### [Upcoming Events](#)

- Wednesday, May 20, 2020 - 12:15pm-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program "Re-opening for Business" - Long Beach Day Nursery - Whitney Leathers via Zoom

- Thursday, May 21, 2020 - 5:30pm-6:30pm: *New Rotary Revealed* Q&A for prospective and new members  
Meeting focus:  
via Zoom
- Wednesday, May 27, 2020 - 12:15pm-1:30pm: Weekly Lunch Program  
"What's Coming Up for Long Beach Rotary?" Your Questions Answered.  
via Zoom

**Next Rotary lunch meeting - Wednesday - May 27 - What's Coming Up for Long Beach Rotary?**



Although we've run out of cleaning wipes and our crystal ball is a little blurry these days.....there are still some clear outlines of what the future will look like for the Rotary Club of Long Beach. The line-up of Presidents #103 through #106 would like to share the scope of what's in the forecast. You'll see why these telepathic thoughts have been burning up the Zoom lines while practicing safer-at-home.



**President's Message**

**This Week's Birthdays**

- May 18 - **Greg Gill** (Lee & Associates, Real Estate - Commercial & Investment)
- May 22 - **Salvador Farfan** (Caught in the Moment Photography, Photography - Commercial)
- May 23 - **JC Richards** (Retired, Manufacturing - Adhesive Products)
- May 23 - **Linda Treffry** (Coldwell Banker Commercial BLAIR WESTMAC, Real Estate - Sales and Leasing)

**LB Rotary Food Establishments**

Please support these food establishments owned by LB Rotarians which are open for take-out and/or delivery:

- Baja Sonora - Mary Sophiea
- Belmont Brewing Company - David Lott
- Boathouse on the Bay - John Morris
- Derrick's on Atlantic - Aaron Blackburn
- La Strada - Lisa Ramelow
- Primal Alchemy Provisions - Dana Buchanan
- Shenanigan's - Curtis Pilon
- TGIS - Sofia Riley
- The Wine Country - Randy Kemner

**The Magic of Rotary**

*Martha and I moved to Long Beach in September 1999 after a brief stint to helping a church get started in Syracuse NY. At that time I decided to get back to being a financial advisor and restarted my practice in 2000. One of my former clients, Leroy Doty, invited me to a Rotary meeting in 2002 at the Queen Mary. Being new to Long Beach, I did not know anyone in the room of 100 except Leroy. I was so impressed with the club and wanted to join.*

*Since my introduction in April 2003, Rotary has had a HUGE impact on my life in the following ways:*

- *I have made hundreds upon hundreds of connections through Rotary. Because of those connections, Long Beach has become that small town in a big city to me. It seems like I can know just about anyone in Long Beach through one degree of separation.*

The Magic of Rotary.....last week Past President and Past District Governor Greg Owen shared a most personal story of the magic we experience as members of Rotary. While ultimately a unique story, it rang so familiar for so many of us. During the "Friend-Working" breakout session we heard stories of friendships forged, business relationships created, solutions found for personal and professional issues and how we plan to spend our futures together helping, caring and contributing with the compassion we all have in our hearts. "Pay it forward" by thinking of people who can benefit from Rotary and with whom you want to share our magic....invite them to a meeting.

See the message on the left I received from Past President Greg Haeseler sharing similar reflections on the "intangible" benefits of Rotary. Stories of hope and gratitude will sustain us while we are unable to greet each other in person. Please share your story with us by emailing me.

This week our speaker is Whitney Leathers of the Long Beach Day Nursery. It is so natural to turn to a member of our Club for the back story on running an organization under the current restrictions. Who can count the number of Rotarians who have attended LBDN, served on their Board of Directors or contributed to their existence?! We'll see all of you on Wednesday with a special guest Vice President for the day.

Rotary Revealed has taken on a new application by utilizing the Zoom conferencing technology. Kudos to the Membership Team for designing an event that helps prospective and newer members learn more about Rotary. The Class of 103 (members introduced during our 103rd year) are encouraged to attend this week's Rotary Revealed.

Many of you already know that your "Presidential Line-Up" have been meeting for several months asking tough questions about the "next 100 years" of the Rotary Club of Long Beach. On May 27th our

- *I have grown so much in personal development and leadership development from learning and by being mentored by proven and remarkable leaders not only in our club but in the community.*
- *Because of my involvement in Rotary, I have gained the confidence and trust from either Rotarians or friends of Rotarians who eventually became my clients. My financial practice has become established thanks to being involved with Rotary.*
- *Most of all, I have developed so many lifetime friends from Rotary. The Rotary Club of Long Beach has become my family. I love my fellow Rotarians!*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Greg Haeseler*

Rotary meeting will be devoted to sharing with all of you what we have been discussing and the future of our Club. If you have any specific questions, you probably aren't alone, so please email me and we will make certain to address them on the 27th. Mark your calendars!

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*I know life is different but please take the time to remember that next Monday is Memorial Day. The day when we honor and pay tribute to the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the US military. Proudly fly your American flag!*

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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