



This Week's Program

<p>Wednesday, November 13</p> <p>My Life Growing Up in Long Beach... What an Adventure!</p> <p>Nate Jones The USS Iowa</p> <p>12:00 Noon - LUNCH NOTE: 12:20 p.m. Start - 1:30 p.m. - PROGRAM</p> <p>Special Recognition LBR Charitable Foundation Beacon Society Members</p>	
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- **Nate Jones** is a born and bred Long Beach guy, attending Poly High School and Long Beach City College. He is married with 3 children and 3 grandchildren.
- Nate is founder/owner of Nate Jones Tire Co. – established in 1967 – an auto, general and high-performance/racing tire and balance business. (His partner is the younger Nate.) In the high-performance area, racing tires for Bonneville Salt Flats vehicles are a specialty. Nate has done tires and balance for hundreds of teams and has been a part of the team for Speed Demon, a streamliner that has achieved a world record of 439.6 mph with a one-way record of 462 mph.
- In 1975 Nate became one of the 20 original founders of the Long Beach Grand Prix and in that same year became Director of Paddock Operations, a position he has held every year since. He has worked various other US venues as well as Canada and Spain for Indy-type cars, X Games Global Rally Cross, IMSA and other types of racing.
- When Nate was 10 he visited the USS Missouri in port at Long Beach; he was hooked on battleships.
- In the 1990s he became part of a group to bring the Missouri to southern California, but ultimately it ended up at Pearl Harbor. 4 years ago Nate joined a group hoping to bring another battleship – the USS Iowa - to the area. This effort was successful and the Iowa is berthed at the Port of Los Angeles in San Pedro.
- In the 1990s Nate founded a nonprofit – Kids Hands and Minds Together – to promote creative, active, and unplugged activities for children using their brain and hands together. He has designed a take-apart, gravity-powered car (sit-in) to get kids involved.

Membership in Progress

By Steve M. Hockett, RCLB President #108

Have you ever gone to a football game at the Rose Bowl or a concert at the Hollywood Bowl, and, after you sit and look around, say, "How could I have ever thought about not coming?" That's how you might think about coming to Rotary.

Whether it is a great speaker, fun recognition, or the fellowship, you are always glad you came to a Rotary meeting.

It is my job and the Board's job to ensure the show is fun! So get over whatever keeps you away, and see you next Wednesday.

Our membership focus is working well, but we still need your help bringing interested guests to our meeting. Think of your friends, fellow workers, or fellow volunteers and invite them as guests. Act



quickly, as meetings are unusual around the holidays.

Thank you!

Doing Business in Rotary (BBR)

By Mary Zerafa Loos, BBR Chair



Business Breakfast Roundtable

Best Practices in Recruiting and Hiring

Thursday, November 21, 2024
 8:00am-9:30am
 The Grand, 4101 E. Willow
 \$13 (cash preferred) for coffee and pastries
 RSVP: Evite invitation sent to your email
 Info: Mary Zerafa Loos | maryzerafa@gmail.com
 To foster discussion, the maximum number of participants is 18.

Bikes 4 Kids Project

By Jon L. Mesko, Bikes 4 Kids Chair

We are excited to provide Bikes 4 Kids this Holiday season once again. Our high-need school of choice this year is Roosevelt Elementary, located at 1574 Linden Ave. Long Beach.

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We've announced an Essay Contest to the three classes, saying that one child in each class will win a new bike. The kids will be working diligently on those essays!

The wonderful surprise is that **ALL** the kids in 3rd Grade will receive a bike! So we have some work to do

We need 40 people to help build bikes on Dec 6, and 20 volunteers to help fit the bikes and helmets on Dec 10.

1. Build the bikes: Friday, Dec 6 around 6-8 pm

- At this event we will build 125 bikes for the give-away
- This will take place at Roosevelt Elementary (1574 Linden Ave, LB) The bikes will be stored there over the weekend.
- Experts will be on hand to help with "quality control" of each bike.
- Pizza provided!

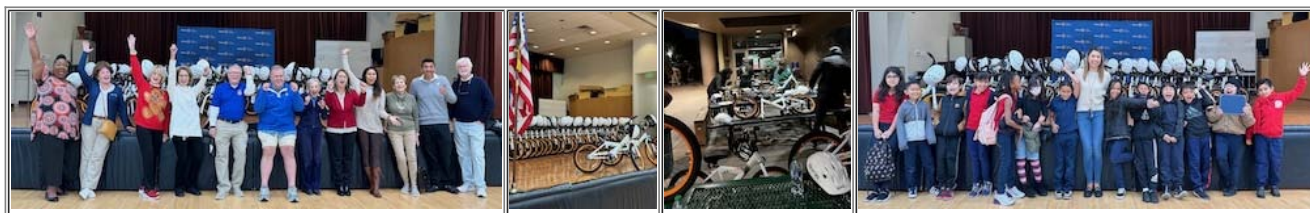
2. Fit the bikes and helmets: Tues, Dec 10 from 2-5 pm

- Each child will be fitted with their bike and helmet, along with instructions for their lock.
- A parent or guardian will need to pick up each child with their bike and sign a release form.
- This will also take place at Roosevelt Elementary School, at afternoon "pick-up".

Please contact Jon Mesko by Dec 4th if you're interested and for which date. 562.549.1848 or jon@lbblast.org

School Assembly to reveal the winners: Mon, Dec 9 at 9 am

Please reach out to me with any questions, comments or concerns. Thank you, Rotarians!



Honoring RCLB Members Who Have Served...



ROGER CIVALLERI – Spec 5 – 6 years (6 months Active) – Long Beach

CRAIG DOUGHERTY - Army Reserve and Arizona National Guard - 6 years

STEVE KEESAL - Specialist - Served 3.5 years - C Co., 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regt. (Airborne), United States Army Special Operations Command - Afghanistan 2002 Iraq 2003 - Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, Ranger Taab; MOS 11B1V (Airborne and Ranger Qualified Infantry); Ecuadorian Jungle School Graduate

B. RAMER SPURR - Chief Warrant 4, Served 23 years most everywhere

CLOY (Mike) J. WALTER - 1953-1954 in Newberg, NY - Private in Adjutant General's Office

DAVE WOODY - PFC - 3 years - Korea, New Jersey, Oklahoma - Good Conduct Medal





DR. WILL GRELLA - LCDR/US Navy, Major/Army Reserve (Current) - Navy (10 years) - Army Reserve (current) - Camp Pendleton, Yuma, Bangladesh

BOB LATIMER - Lieutenant Junior Grade (LTJG) - 1953-1955 - All the Pacific theater, Japan, Hong Kong, Korea, Philippines, Guam

PAT MADDEN - STG-3 (Sonar Technician 3rd Class Petty Officer) - 1967-1968 Active Duty - USS Leonard F Mason (DD 852) - Western Pacific (inc the Philippines and Vietnam & USS Wiltzie (DD 716)

BRADEN PHILLIPS - Captain - 31 years - All Over the World - 3 Legion of Merit medals, 3 Meritorious Service medals, 1 Navy Achievement medal, 2 Combat Action ribbons, 1 Armed Forces Expeditionary medal and medals related to the Vietnam and Gulf wars - Certifications including Naval Aviator (Pilot), Naval Surface Warfare Officer, Financial Management Sub-specialist

RAYNE SHERMAN - Aviation Boatswain Mate 3 (ABH-3) - 8 years (2 Active Duty, 6 Reserve) - USS Hornet (CVS-12 Home Port-Long Beach; (1) Tour WestPac (Vietnam Campaign); Recovery Ship-Apollo 11 and 12 - National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal w/one Bronze Star, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal w/Device, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea), Letter of Commendation (Admiral D.C. Davis) for Apollo 11 and Recovery Ship planning and execution, Golden Dragon-Member of the "Silent Occult Mysteries of the Far East"-Oct 21, 1968 @ Latitude 35.50N, Shellback-Member of the "Solemn Mysteries of the Ancient Order of the Deep"-Feb 23, 1969 @ Longitude 105.20E

DAN TAPIA - Electronics Technician/Reactor Operator, LA class submarines - 1998-2004 - South Pacific - SSN723 Oklahoma City (submarine)



ANDREW BARBER - Sergeant - 6 years/Reserves - Mainly 29 Palms, CA

DAN GARRETT - April 1982-December 1984 - MCRD San Diego; Camp Pendleton; Okinawa, Japan; Camp Lejeune, North Carolina - Heavy Equipment Mechanic, 2nd Battalion

JOHN HINRICHS - Corporal - 1956 -1958 - Camp Pendleton & 29 Palms

LAURENCE W. JACKSON III - Sergeant, 3rd Marine Air Wing - 1970-1977 (Active 2 years, Reserves 5 years) - Camp Pendleton, MCAS El Toro, MCAS Cherry Point, MCAS Iwakuni Japan during Vietnam War



JOHN G. 'JAY' BEELER - Airman (E3/Minuteman ICBM Missile Electronics Analyst) - 1962-1965 - Montana and North Dakota

DON SERAFANO - Captain, Medical Corps - 2 years - Davis Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ



BOB LUSKIN - US Coast Guard, E-2, Second Class Gunners Mate - 1965-1971 (1 Active, 5 Reserve) - Groton, CT and Long Beach Terminal Island

FRANK NEWELL - US Coast Guard, Petty Officer - Active (6 mts) - Reserve (5.5 yrs) - Alameda, San Diego & Terminal Island

While we honor those in our Club, we are grateful for family members and friends who have served and are serving. We are indebted for their sacrifice, bravery and the example they set for us all.

BIRTHDAYS - Click on Name and Send a Greeting

[Matthew L. Kinley](#)
November 14th

[Lisa Ramelow](#)
November 14th

[Jim Better](#)
November 14th



[Jon Klein](#)
November 14th



[Rachel Massari](#)
November 14th



[Roger Civaleri](#)
November 15th



[Cheri L. Bazley](#)
November 15th



[William V. Ridgeway Jr.](#)
November 16th



[Laurence W. Jackson III](#)
44 Years



[Gina Rushing Maguire](#)
22 Years



[Lance R. Kenyon](#)
14 Years



[Suman Naresh](#)
12 Years



[Judy Seal](#)
11 Years



[Marjorie Fleming](#)
8 Years



[Debra Kahookole](#)
6 Years



[Machel Thompson](#)
6 Years



[Danita Humphrey](#)
5 Years



[Lori Dwight](#)
2 Years



[Jim Hankla](#)
1 Year



[Craig J Pastor](#)
New Member!



[Jose R Barrera](#)
New Member!



[Paul J Forchione](#)
New Member!



[Lucy Johnson](#)
New Member!

Events

November 12th, 5:00-7:00 PM
[5 O'Clock Somewhere](#)
Holiday Wine Tasting
Hosted by Randy Kemner

November 13th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: Nate Jones
Subject: "My Life Growing Up in Long Beach...What an Adventure!"

November 14th, 2:00-3:00 PM
[RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

November 19th, 4:00-5:00 PM
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

November 20th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Location: Lions Automobilia Museum
Speaker: UCLA vs. USC with Frank Stephens

November 21st, 8:00-9:30 AM
[Business Breakfast Roundtable : in person](#)
Topic: Best Practices in Recruiting & Hiring

November 24th, 3:00-5:30 PM
[Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal](#)

November 27th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
DARK for Thanksgiving Holiday

December 4th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
Speaker: PE Kelly Ruggirello
Subject: Board Reveal and Announcement of President #111

December 6th, 6:00-9:00 PM
[Bikes for Kids](#)
Bikes for Kids - assembling the bikes

December 10th, 2:00-5:00 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

December 11th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)

December 12th, 2:00-3:00 PM
[RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club](#)

December 14th, 8:00-9:00 AM
[Centennial Park Clean-up](#)

December 17th, 4:00-5:00 PM
[RCLB Board of Directors Meeting](#)

December 18th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
DARK for Holiday

December 25th, 12:00-1:30 PM
[Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting](#)
DARK for Holiday



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