



# ROTARY MEANS FELLOWSHIP – ARTS - BUSINESS - SERVICE FABS


## This Week's Program

**Wednesday, June 5**

**Commitment to Life**

**Ron Sylvester**  
President/CEO, RS/tv, Inc.

**12:00 Noon - LUNCH**  
**12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - PROGRAM**



For over 35 years **Ron Sylvester** has been producing and directing a wide range of video and film projects through his production and publicity company RS/tv, Inc. The core of the RS/tv business is entertainment publicity and he has worked with every major film studio on theatrical and digital campaigns.

Ron also has produced and directed online entertainment content for IMDb.com at major events like Comic Con, Sundance, and Toronto International Film Festival, and has directed many live online streaming events. In addition, Ron and his team have managed the media logistic of the Primetime Emmy™s Red Carpet and Backstage Press Center for the last 6 years.

He has a long history of nonprofit work in the community, most notably as the President and Chairman of the Board of the LGBTQ Center of Long Beach from 2009 to 2016, the Executive Producer of the Long Beach LGBTQ Film Festival (QFilms) for 8 years and served on the Board of Directors for APLA Health from 2017 to 2022.

## Birthdays



[Cheryl L. Vargas](#)  
June 6th



[Gilbert Maldonado Wenseslao](#)  
June 7th



[Lisa Hain](#)  
June 8th



[Randall C. Fudge](#)  
June 11th

## Club Leaders



[Michele A. Dobson](#)  
President



[Gail B. Schwandner](#)  
Assistant to the President



[Jean Bixby Smith](#)  
Assistant to the President



[Marcelle H. Epley](#)  
Vice President



[Joseph Wayne Hower PE, DFE](#)  
Vice President



[Debra Kahookole](#)  
Vice President



[Sumer A. Temple](#)  
Vice President

## Anticipation

By Steve M. Hockett, RCLB President #108



And away we go!



[John E. Romundstad](#)  
Secretary



### Anticipation

That is not just a Carly Simon song or a Catsup commercial. The word encapsulated my work for the last two years, diligently preparing to serve as your 108th President and to lead us toward our significant goals and initiatives for the upcoming year.

My fundamental goal during the year will be to provide a consistent home with fun meetings while maintaining the exemplary service projects for which we are famous.

Maintaining the finest service club in Southern California requires support in both time and money. We are striving to keep our highest standards, and unfortunately, that requires some price increases. However, it will be our board's job to follow the four-way test and see that our money is being spent well.

I really liked what I heard the other day:

*There is no better use of time than the time we spend in service to others. In the Rotary Club of Long Beach, we are hundreds improving the lives of thousands in our community.*

See you soon,  
Steve

### Feeding the Future: Gift Card Food Drive for College Students June 5 and June 19

By Leslie Wiberg, Feeding the Future Chair



The Rotary Club of Long Beach has long been a champion of education in our community. We believe that every student, regardless of background, deserves the opportunity to succeed. This extends beyond the classroom walls and includes ensuring students have access to proper nutrition to fuel their academic pursuits.

That's where we step in. Our Club's Feeding the Future committee is hosting a gift card food drive to collect donations from any food-related business. These will be especially appreciated as students at Long Beach City College enter finals week and students at CSU Long Beach begin summer enrollment.

**Every contribution, big or small, will make a difference!**

Please reach out to your neighbors, friends, and co-workers and ask for **a gift card, in any amount**, from any location that provides food: Grocery Store - Walmart - Target - Sandwich Shop.

**Gift cards will be collected at the June 5 and June 19 Rotary meeting.**

A \$25 gift card purchased these items at a local supermarket:



### Honoring Paul Harris Fellows

**Congratulations and Thank You to our New Paul Harris Fellows!**

Click on [Paul Harris Fellows](#) for more info!



DHF Raymond Cervantez, Laura Doyle, Nick



Treasurer



[Theresa Cornwell](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Shel-lee Davis](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Shelley Hanks](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Debbie Thorpe](#)  
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Denise Dahlhausen](#)  
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



[Rayne Sherman](#)  
Career Service Director



[Robyn Gordon-Peterson](#)  
Community Service Director



[Stephen B. Shaw](#)  
Club Service Director



[Lisa Finn](#)  
Fellowship Service Director



[Matthew L. Kinley](#)  
International Service Director



[Sarah Soriano](#)  
Membership Service Director



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Membership Service Director



[Conor Kenneth Weir](#)  
Youth Service Director



[Alfredo Velasco](#)  
iPast President



[Steve M. Hockett](#)  
President-elect



[Kelly Ruggirello](#)  
President-nominee



[Kelly Ruggirello](#)  
President-nominee



[Wayne C. Slavitt](#)  
President-designate



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[Donald E. Cochran](#)  
Rotary International Foundation Chair

- PHF+2 Steve Keesal, Michael Neils and Jean Smith
- PHF+3 Lisa Hopkins
- PHF+4 Michele Dobson
- PHF+8 Don Cochran



## Presidents' Party - June 12 - Queen Mary - RSVP by June 5!

**The Rotary Presidents' Party**  
**June 12, 2024**

**Emerald Club Member Reception 5:30 p.m.**  
**General Admission 6:00 p.m.**  
**Queen Mary Britania Room**  
**\$80/person (Spouses/Partners Welcomed)**

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**Dinner and Cash Bar (Short Rib and Salmon with Risotto)**  
**Live Music and Dancing by the Band, Higher Education**  
**Rare Jedi Council Appearance**





### Events

June 4th, 5:00-7:00 PM  
**5 O'Clock Somewhere**  
The Bamboo Club - Tiki Bar  
3522 E. Anaheim

June 5th, 12:00-1:30 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Ron Sylvester  
**Subject:** "Commitment to Life"  
Also **Cup of Kindness and President's Awards**

June 8th, 8:00-9:00 AM  
**Centennial Park Clean-up**

June 12th, 12:00-1:30 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**No lunch meeting on June 12**  
**Evening Presidents' Party aboard Queen Mary**

June 12th, 5:30-8:00 PM  
**Presidents' Party - Queen Mary**  
Preceding the Demotion of #107  
Celebrating this year and preparing for the next...




June 18th, 4:00-5:15 PM  
**RCLB Board of Directors Meeting**

June 19th, 12:00-1:30 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**Subject:** Demotion of Michele Dobson  
Roasting and Toasting #107

June 26th, 12:00-1:00 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**DARK - No weekly meeting this week**

July 3rd, 12:00-1:30 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**DARK - No weekly meeting this week**  
Independence Day Holiday

July 10th, 12:00-1:30 PM  
**Long Beach Weekly Club Meeting**  
**1st Meeting for Steve Hockett, President #108**

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