



Manhattan Beach Rotary Club

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“Every decent man
is ashamed of the
government he lives under.”

— *H.L. Mencken*

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Nov 21 — Team RWB.
Enriching veterans by connecting
them to their community through
physical and social activity.

Programs

Nov 28 — **Club Business Meeting.**

Double Issue

The Manhattan Beach Rotary Club met on November 7 and 14, first at the Marriott as usual and then at the Manhattan Country Club (with thanks from **President Shannon Ryan** to **Les Silverman** for making sure we were properly set up). In these two excellent meetings, we heard craft talks and heard from our mayor. Here is some of what happened:

Medical Reports

Rick Farrell, seemingly well recovered from his ordeal, toasted us, saying “Here’s to the men and women of Rotary.” **John Hugunin** reacted to the election by telling us to wear purple. **Dan Saks** led us in a moment of silence for **Mark Lipps**, and it worked—his surgery went well, so far. **Mark Burton’s** surgery similarly went well, and his hip is healing. **Larry Wolf** is at last showing signs of improvement—hearing, understanding, alert, starting some movement, and visits are welcome. **Richard Montgomery** hooked us into being a sponsor of the Pier Fireworks on December 11 (it’s a nonprofit organization and benefits Mira Costa High School). **Don Redman** kept recruiting for the traditional holiday Sandpiper projects—the home tour, adopting a family, and preparing baskets. **Jordan Holbert** brought cupcakes for the birthday kids and we especially recognized **Donna and Donn Ennis’** 50th wedding anniversary. **Ed Kushins** claimed he is still trying to get Terry out of the Mobile Escape Room. **Jason Hearn** sharpened up our club logo. And **Tim Hageman’s** sister fell off a 40-foot cliff and will be just fine, but not until undergoing multiple surgeries.

Save The Date

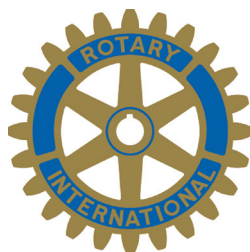
Dec 12 — Rotary Book Club. 7-8:30pm. We will discuss “The King of California: J.G. Boswell and the Making of a Secret American Empire. Nelson Gray is hosting.

Dec 28 — Rotary Rose Parade. 8am - 4pm. We will be decorating the Rotary Float for the Parade. Contact **Jordan Holbert** for details.

Service Reports

Jordan Holbert led club members in a grueling round of Soul Cycle. **David Gendron** is completing his home renovation project and will host our December 3 holiday party. **Ed Kushins** told me that **Jim Hunter's** Bulletin closing, "TTFN," stands for Ta Ta For Now. Club members assisted Vision to Learn, and will do so again—last round, 134 students failed the vision test and will receive glasses. **Larry Johnson** announced that the \$1 million WASH project is fully funded (this will be separately acknowledged in this Bulletin). **Eric Iverson** thanked **Mercedes and Gerry Morton** for hosting a dine-around, and **Herb Trachtenberg** thanked **Tom Chwalek and Deb Robertson** for hosting a dine-around. **Mike Matthews** celebrated the passing of the two local school bond measures. John Russo was back in the house and looking well. **Dennis Ridge** collected over 600 pounds of food at one meeting for Food 4 Kids. **Loli Ramezani** told us **Ed Kushins** is organizing Working Wardrobes, providing wardrobes plus career development support services, with 80,000 clients over the last 12 years—February 6 will be our wardrobe collection day.





Jason Hearne

Jason Hearne, sponsored by **Shannon Ryan**, is a senior artist for a gameshow network, GSN. He and his wife, Heather (who is also an artist and writer), have two kids, Harper and Drake. He showed us two reels of some of his computer artistry. He does computer animation, graphic design and visual effects. He shared some computer shop talk that Club members under age 40 understood. He showed us what 300,000 pounds of bacon look like. He's from Texas bayou country east of Dallas, where his father was a Rotarian. He bicycles to work (in Santa Monica, I think) as well as to Rotary.

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and controversial 20-inch gas line down Rosecrans, Gelson's (maybe December to Planning Commission and January to Council), business and City camera surveillance, and opposition to a proposed desalination project. Budget issues include increased costs and an unfunded pension liability of \$79 million and growing rapidly. (In fairness, we are 80% funded, which is better than most cities.) City income keeps growing, but operating expenses keep growing with it in the general fund.



James Kennedy

James Kennedy, sponsored by **Tom Jeffrey**, is a commercial and luxury home project manager for Ground Up Builders, specializing in solar and renewable energy (he met Tom putting up solar panels for his home). Irish through and through, he grew up in New Hampshire. His girlfriend is Tanya. His dog is Samantha. He skis, water skis, paddleboards, scuba dives, and travels a lot. He was a sports agent before becoming a green energy entrepreneur. He's a Big Brother to Jalen. His green energy pitch: It saves money, adds equity, creates jobs, and gets us off fossil fuels.



It's Fellowship We Preach

Both **Jason Hearne** and **James Kennedy** are relatively new to Manhattan Beach (at least compared to the many geezers in this Club who have lived here longer than they've been alive, and then some). Both, in their craft talks, went out of their way to comment on how friendly Manhattan Beach is. True enough—it's a big part of why none of us leave, even in advanced geezerdom, if we can help it. But even the geezers are friendly and still sing (when our young presidents allow it), "Welcome, welcome, welcome, it's fellowship we preach."

*Yours In Rotary,
Jim Hallett*



Local Rotary Make-Up Clubs

Rotarians Participate at Weekly Meetings!

Tuesday

Hermosa Beach.....12:15

PV Sunset.....7 pm

Wednesday

Torrance Sunrise.....7:15 am

Redondo Beach.....12:15

Westchester.....12:15

Thursday

El Segundo.....12:15

LA Int'l Airport.....12:15

Lawndale.....12:15

Friday

Palos Verdes.....12:15

For times and locations of local club meetings go to www.rotary5280.org and scroll down to the "District Info" area on the right side and click on the "When/Where Clubs Meet" link for information on all clubs in the district.

Meals On Wheels Schedule

Rotarians Serving Their Community!

Nov 22 David Boochever

Nov 29 Dave Peters

Dec 06 Alex Yoffe

Dec 13 John Acker

Dec 20 Duke Winsor

Dec 27 Richard Ham

Birthdays

Nov 29 Ken Deemer

Nov 29 Lincoln Stone

Dec 02 Dave Harris

Dec 02 Larry Johnson

Dec 10 Bob Espinosa

Dec 15 Charlie Steinmetz

Anniversaries

Nov 30 Kathleen & Michael Adams

Dec 03 Ed Kushins & Terry Hamilton

Dec 13 Steve Lore & Anne Marie Kelly

Dec 21 Lindy Murrell & Roger Morrell

Dec 21 Duke & Eloisa Winsor

Officers & Directors 2016-2017

Shannon Ryan

President

Mark Burton

President-Elect

Richard Ham

Past President

Jim McFarland

Secretary

John Russo

Treasurer

Jordan Holbert

Director

Ken Deemer

Director

David Gendron

Director

Loli Ramezani

Director

Tim Hageman

Director

John Gardner

Director

Bob Lanahan

Director

Jim Hunter

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Manhattan Beach Rotary - 105 Active Members Strong!

The 2016/17 Rotary year is another growth year. You can see by scanning the classifications below what areas are open. Let's think and then act.

John Acker – Financial Planner
Kathleen Adams – Financial Advisor
Susan Adams – Aerospace
Paul Allman – Personnel Training †
Deborah Arnold – Business Software Consultant
Tim James Auringer – Automotive Dealer
Wade Austin, Jr. – Photography
Mark Ballance – Information Technology
Harris Bass – Business and Tax Law
Bill Bloomfield – Commercial/Laundry †
David Boochever – Consultant/Computer †
Geoff Bremer – CPA †
Jan Buike – Social Worker
Mark Burton – City Councilmember
Karla Cameron – Beverage
Marc Castellani – Wealth Management
Richard Chase – College Professor
Roger Cox – Business Consultant †
Steve De Baets – Truck Refrigeration
Ken Deemer – Private Investor
Steve Delk – Restaurant
Michael Dobak – Advertising
Mike Doell – Moving & Storage †
Donn Ennis – Oil Refinery Engineer †
Robert Espinosa – Fire Chief
Patrick Fard – Martial Arts
Monica Farrell – Non-profit Development
Richard Farrell – Video Production (ret.)
Vinny Fazzino – Builder/Engineer
John Gardner – Banking
David Gendron – Specialty Finance
Dr. Damien Goldberg – Ophthalmologist
Nelson Gray – Honorary Member †
Robert Guilford – Business Consultant
Tim Hageman – Police Officer
Megan Hall – Caterer
Jim Hallett – Criminal & Family Attorney †
Richard Ham – Aerospace Engineer
Jay Harkenrider – Real Estate Residential †
Dave Harris – Wealth Advisor †
Wendell Harter – Honorary Member
Lisa Hemmat – Restaurateur
Jordan Holbert – Graphic Designer
Dave Hornbecker – Office Supplies †
John Hugunin – Community College Professor
Jim Hunter – Property Management †
Eric Iverson – Web Developer
Ian Jackson – Mortgage Banker †
Tom Jeffry – Attorney - Health Care †
Dan Jensen – Real Estate
Lawrence Johnson – Investment Banker †
Don Jung – CPA Business Manager
Brad Koppel – International Trade

Ed Kushins – Home Exch. Executive
Jim Lambert – IT Consulting
Bob Lanahan – Systems Engineer
Norm Levin – Business Theatre
Mark Lipps – TV Distribution
David Long – Executive Recruiter
Steve Lore – General Contractor
Jim McFarland – Title Insurance
Barbara Matles – Travel Agent
Mike Matthews – Education
Randy Meadors – Architect
Richard Montgomery – Advertising
Dennis Morehead – Property Mgt †
Gerry Morton – Nutritional Products
Steve Murillo – Mortgage Broker †
Lindy Murrell – Communications
Wayne Nelson – Marketing
Dr. John Nylund – Dermatology †
John Osten – Commercial Publishing
Dr. Ray Padilla – Dentist
Dr. Patricia Panucci – Orthodontist
Matthew Peck – Accounting
Dave Peters – R.E. Invest/Develop/Mediation
Dan Quisenberry – Attorney
Loli Ramezani – Senior Services
Don Redman – Mfg Executive (ret.)
Jan Rhees – Residential Real Estate †
John Rhind – Accounting †
Dennis Ridge – Printing
Dr. Deborah Robertson – Veterinarian
Roger Rombro – Attorney - Family Law
Joel Ruben – Attorney - Real Est. & Bus. Lit
John Russo – Retired
Shannon Ryan – Financial Planner
Daniel Saks – Insurance
Russ Samuels – Fitness & Personal Training
Dr. Les Silverman – Optometrist
Ronald Sokol – Attorney
Charlie Steinmetz – Investor - Real Estate
Bob Stephenson – Accountant Corporate †
Lincoln Stone – Business & Immigration Law
Kathleen Terry – Management Consultant †
Herb Trachtenberg – Aerospace Engineer †
Dr. Chris Ullman – Chiropractic †
John Van den Akker – Property Mgt/Invsts †
Sue Vogl – Journalism
Lee Walker – Insurance - Casualty
Jason Wallace – Attorney - Real Estate
Ingo Werk – Manufacturing
Duke Winsler – Honorary Member †
Larry Wolf – Real Estate Broker/Owner
Alexander Yoffe – Attorney
Tom Zimmerman – Finance

† Active Past Presidents

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