

Manhattan Beach Rotary Club

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Most Honorable Members

An extended standing ovation was heard for Shannon's popular selection of **Dennis Ridge** as Rotarian of the Month, and we stayed standing to greet personally, one by one, our newest member, City Manager **Mark Danaj**, sponsored by **Kathleen Terry**.

"Someone told me it's all happening at the zoo."

— Paul Simon

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dec 12 — Los Angeles Zoo. John Lewis

Programs

Dec 19 — **Holiday Meeting.** Our annual holiday meeting with singing and a few elves running around?

Dec 26— No Meeting. There is no meeting this morning. We are dark for the holidays. Please travel safely if you are travelling this week.

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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.



Cupcakes

It was Monday, December 5, 2016, and President Shannon Ryan (aka Mrs. Claus, wife of Chris Claus), let Russ Samuels rope us into some calisthenics to kick off the week....Past member Patrick Donahue, president of the Rotary Club of Tehachapi, raised our holiday cheer by showing up for this meeting.....Ingo Werk's wife Mary brought still more cheer to the proceedings.....We all thanked David Gendron for hosting our holiday party.....And what would the first meeting of the month be without Jordan Holbert's cupcakes to celebrate members' birthdays?.....Dennis Ridge thanked us for a successful food drive and solicited volunteers for Operation Teddy Bear at Moffett School on December 16.....President Shannon's home was on the Sandpipers Holiday Home Tour.

Your Grateful Nation

Dan Moschella is the Vice President of Finance for the Fox Sports Media Group, and he has used that position to promote Your Grateful Nation (YGN) (www.YourGratefulNation.org), whose mission is to provide career transition services to Special Operations veterans from military to private sector employment. Their Board includes cofounder Rob O'Neill, a member of the Seal team that killed Bin Laden, as well as the leader of the mission that rescued Captain Phillips and the mission that rescued Lone Survivor Marcus Luttrell. (O'Neill is speaking at a July 27 YGN

fundraiser event to which we're all invited and was endorsed by Mark Burton as "the best speaker I've ever heard.") Dan treated us to some moving bios of several of these "brave warriors who ask for nothing and deserve much," each of whom has "a PhD in getting things done." YGN welcomes funding and volunteers and, especially, corporate partners.



Charlie Steinmetz

Manhattan Beach Rotarian **Charlie Steinmetz** runs his family's foundation, which seems to be everywhere from Easter Island (Charlie just got back) to Moffett School, spreading their wealth to good causes seemingly everywhere we look. Charlie is also a stern (but always smiling) curmudgeon who never lets a feel-good charity moment pass without examining the business side of running a non-profit. So leave it to Charlie to ask whether Your Grateful Nation is duplicating the work of other veterans organizations. (But note that YGN's avowed purpose is direct its "Tier One" veterans to the highest level of corporate management.) New members, know that this is **Charlie Steinmetz**, as generous a soul and rigorous a manager as you'll ever meet. He makes Manhattan Beach Rotary shine.







The Niger WASH project is fully funded!!



Rotary Club of Manhattan Beach wishes to congratulate all those that helped fully fund the Rotary-World Vision Niger WASH project (GG1421651)



MB Individuals

Lisa and John Acker **Harris Bass Bill Bloomfield Dave Boochever Geoff Bremer Mark Burton** Ken Deemer Mike Doell **Donn Ennis** Richard Ham John Hugunin Tom Jeffry **Larry Johnson Ed Kushins Norm Levin** Jim McFarland **Lindy Murrell Dave Peters** Don Redman John Rhind **Deb Robertson**

Roger Rombro

Shannon Ryan Bob Stephenson

Les Silverman

Herb Tractenberg

John Van den Akker

Individuals (continued)

Eliseo Gavua K. Greenberg/D. Henseler **Connie Hui Antoine & Genevieve Kayat** Kim Lorenz Don Reinken

Clubs

Bellevue, WA **Culver City** El Segundo Hermosa Beach Korea Town LA5 Lawndale Redondo Beach San Pedro Santa Monica **South Bay** Sunrise **Thai Town Torrance** Van Nuys Club

Districts

District 5280 (LA) District D3700 (Korea) District D3710 (Korea) District D4271 (Columbia) District D4281 (Columbia) District D5000 (Hawaii) District D5030 (Washington) District D6200 (Louisiana)

Corporate

Chevron **World Vision Wells Bring Hope**

Special thanks to:

Ken Deemer **Larry Johnson** Kim Lorenz DJ Sun **Chris Ullman Ingo Werk**

Mike Doell



Local Rotary

Make-Up Clubs
Rotarians Participate at Weekly Meetings!

| Tuesday Hermosa Beach | 12.15 |
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| | |
| 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!

Dec 13 John Acker Dec 20 Duke Winser Dec 27 Richard Ham Jan 03 Kathleen Adams Ian 10 Susan Adams

Jan 17 Paul Allman

Birthdays

Dec 15 Charlie Steinmetz Dec. 17 Barbara Mat:es

Dec 18 Jan Rhees

Dec 23 Richard Montgomery

Ian 01 Lisa Hemmat Jan 03 Wayne Nelson

Anniversaries

Dec 13 Steve Lore & Anne Marie Kelly

Dec 21 Lindy Murrell & Roger Morrell

Dec 21 Duke & Eloisa Winser

Dec 22 Bill & Susan Bloomfield

Dec 22 Robert & Michele Guilford

Dec 24 Jan Rhees & Michael Grady

Officers & Directors 2016-2017

Shannon Ryan

President

Mark Burton

President-Elect

Richard Ham

Past President

Iim McFarland

Secretary

John Russo

Treasurer

Iordan Holbert

Director

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Manhattan Beach Rotary - 108 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

Jason Hearne - Computer Animator

Lisa Hemmat - Restauranteur

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

James Kennedy – Energy Consultant

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 †

Corry Morton Novicional Product

Gerry Morton – Nutritional Products Steve Murillo – Mortgage Broker †

Lindy Murrell – Communications

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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 Winser - Honorary Member †

Larry Wolf - Real Estate Broker/Owner

Scott Yanofsky - Contractor

Alexander Yoffe - Attorney

Tom Zimmerman - Finance