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The Downtown Lions Club meets every Friday at noon at the Petroleum Club, 3636 Linden Ave., LB. Those occasions when we do not meet or meet elsewhere are noted either on the web site or this weekly bulletin.

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TRACEY COLUNGA
SAFE LONG BEACH

Tracy Colunga is the Neighborhood Relations Officer for the City of Long Beach. As Neighborhood Relations Officer, Tracy provides leadership and direction to the Neighborhood Relations Division and is responsible for securing and managing federal, state, and private grants to improve community safety and neighborhood livability gaps. She oversees administrative services for the Safe Long Beach Violence Prevention Plan (Safe Long Beach), Language Access Policy, the Long Beach Human Relations Commission, and the Long Beach Gang Reduction and Intervention Program (GRIP).

PETROLEUM CLUB
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Presiding: PP AL WEINGARTNER
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN
Program Arranged by:
PP BRADE PHILLIPS

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COD

BRADEN's career in the military began with his acceptance of a nomination to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, where he graduated and was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Navy. Following Naval flight training, he was designated a Naval Aviator. Over the next twenty years, he served in a number of aviation squadrons, in command both ashore and afloat.



Tracy holds a MA in Social Work from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), and has over a decade of experience in grant writing, management, and program development. She has focused her career around community improvement and, most notably, was responsible for administering the U.S. Department of Justice Weed and Seed Grant for the Long Beach Health and Human Services Department. She has served a field instructor for UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs for the last nine years and has taught as a part time lecturer in the UCLA Social Work Program for five years. She recently joined the faculty at CSULB in the Masters of Social Work Program as a part time lecturer.



As a specialist in antisubmarine warfare, he amassed over 5000 flight hours and 500 aircraft carrier landings. BRADEN attended the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey in the mid-seventies, earning an M.S. degree in financial management. He subsequently worked in Washington, D.C., on Navy budget matters with the Office of the Navy Comptroller and the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on Capitol Hill.

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She works diligently to serve the community. She serves on the Board of Directors with Goodwill Serving the People of Southern Los Angeles County and co-leads the annual EmpowHER Young Women's Empowerment Conference for girls in foster care, on probation, and at-risk in Long Beach.

She is married to Hutx Colunga, a tenured teacher with Long Beach Unified School District. They are proud parents of two children. Tracy and her family reside in Long Beach.

In 1989, BRADEN was selected to command a deep draft ship and was assigned the amphibious ship U.S.S. Ogden, home-ported in Long Beach. Under his command, the Ogden, with its crew of 300 and nearly 800 embarked Marines, was deployed in the Persian Gulf for 301 days in support of Operation Desert Storm. He retired in 1995.

BRADEN is a Past President our club and is currently serving on the Boards of Directors of the Greater Long Beach Chapter of the American Red Cross, ChildNet, For the Child, the California Council for Equality and Justice (CCEJ) and the St. Mary Medical Center Advisory Board. He and wife are residents of Long Beach, where Susan works as a Personal Fitness Trainer. They have one daughter, Blake.

BRADEN retired in December, 2015.



Retrospective June 3, 2016

Petroleum Club, PP YOURS TRULY presiding, called for a moment of silence for MAYCIE HERRINGTON. Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. PIANO: ROB NICHOLS. MARILYN provided an update on the BBQ. The event will be on Friday, August 19th at the PAL Park. This will be an evening affair. MARILYN also outlined the responsibilities for the 2016-17 programs. RUDY presented the club with a Partners Plaque for our effort in creating sufficient Welcome Home kits and a certificate for our 4th place finish on the Bell Ringing contest. Tail Twister RICH STANLEY gave an Unhappy Buck: his son has been promoted and is moving to Dallas, taking RICH's grandson and granddaughter with him. PP JIM HARDEN thanked the LB Fire Dept. for sending equipment to a major fire in Seal Beach. He also noted that Northwestern University is now #2 in fund raising in the US. All incoming freshmen will be offered a tuition free education and no student will leave with more than \$30,000 in debt. MICHELE WINTERSTEIN

gave for the birth of a child to her sister. IPP LINDA WEINGARTNER gave for all three grandchildren being promoted. PP GENE JOHNSON gave for house guests who were at their wedding party a few years ago. MARILYN gave for her granddaughter being awarded a special degree. YOURS TRULY gave for a UCLA softball home run in the bottom of the 7th inning. PP MERLIN THIMLAR gave for JOHN NELSON being elected 2nd VDG. YOURS TRULY raised money/had fun with questions about the merger of Cedar House and Sarah Center to form For The Child, then intro'd MICHELE, ED. MICHELE compared the cultural wealth of the average child with those lives are shattered by abuse or neglect and dysfunctional families. She then went on to outline the various programs the organization offers. Too many children lack insurance or other sources of funds and must be treated with the agency's limited funds or turned away. YOURS TRULY presented MICHELE with a personal check.



June 24—Goodbye President Smith

Program Chair—PP BRADE PHILLIPS
Greeter—PP LINCOLN ODELL

July 1—Dark! Independence Day

COMING SOON!

June 11 we have an info booth at the LB Symphony Rainbow Harbor Nautilus Shell. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

BBQ! August 19! PAL Park! Don't miss it! You can help set up, cook, serve, clean up! See you there!

On October 8 we partner with Lions Friends In Sight for our 3rd(?) Health Fair. Both sponsors and volunteers are needed.

CALENDAR

June

- 14—Board Meeting
- 21—Zone A Meeting
- 22—CSAC
- 24—End of Year program

July

- 1—Dark, Independence Day
- 12—Board meeting
- 19—Zone A meeting
- 28—CSAC

August

- 2—Membership Committee
- 2—Charities Committee
- 9—Board meeting

19—BBQ! PAL Park

- 24—CSAC Meeting
- 31—Dark! Labor Day

September

- 5—Labor Day
- 6—Membership Committee
- 6—Charities Committee
- 13—Board meeting

October

- 4—Membership Committee
- 4—Charities Committee
- 8—Health Fair, Friends In Sight**
- 11—Board meeting
- 26—CSAC

November

- 1—Membership Committee
- 1—Charities Committee
- 5—North LB Veterans Day Parade
- 8—Board Meeting

December

- 6—Membership Committee
- 6—Charities Committee
- 13—Board meeting
- 23—Dark! Christmas
- 25—Christmas
- 30—Dark! New Years

January

- 1—New Years
- 3—Membership Committee
- 3—Charities Committee
- 10—Board meeting
- 25—CSAC