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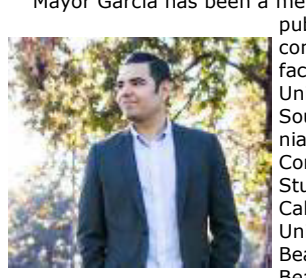
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**ROBERT GARCIA,  
MAYOR CITY OF LB**

Dr. Robert Garcia, 38, is an educator and the 28th Mayor of Long Beach. Mayor Garcia is the youngest mayor of any big city in America and has taken a leadership role in economic development, education, and investing in technology.



Mayor Garcia has been a member of the public policy and communications faculty at the University of Southern California, and taught Communication Studies at both California State University, Long Beach and Long Beach City College. His passion for education led him to pursue a Doctorate in Higher Education. Mayor Garcia also holds a Masters Degree in Communication Management from the University of Southern California and a Bachelor's Degree in Communication Studies from California State University, Long Beach.

In 2007, Garcia co-founded and launched the Long Beach Post, a Long Beach based media website and newspaper.

Garcia served as Vice Mayor from 2012 - 2014 and was elected to the City Council in 2009. At 31, he was the youngest person ever elected to the Long Beach City Council. He also served on the California Coastal Commission until taking office as Mayor of Long Beach.

Robert Garcia was born in Lima, Peru, and immigrated to the United States at age 5 with his family. He was the first person in his family to attend and graduate college, While at CSULB, he was elected student body president.

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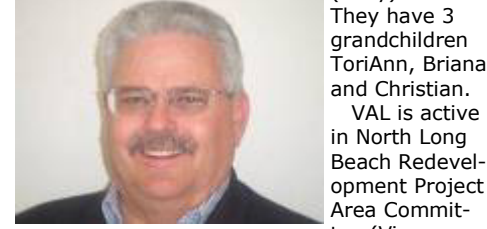
Presiding: JERRY CALIGIURI  
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN  
Program Arranged by:  
CLAUDIA HARDEN

**VAL LERCH  
COD**

VAL graduated from adult night school (Wilson High School in Long Beach) in 1973. He graduated from UWLA in 1982 with three certificates: Legal Assistant, Litigation Specialist and Corporations Specialist.

VAL served in the US Coast Guard from June 23, 1969 through March 1993. He spent 12 years on active duty and another 12 years in the reserves.

VAL has been married since 1971 to Janet. They raised two children in North Long Beach, a daughter, Vicki Ann and a son Anthony (Tony) Lee.



They have 3 grandchildren ToriAnn, Briana and Christian. VAL is active in North Long Beach Redevelopment Project Area Committee (Vice-Chair); North Long Beach Neighborhood Association Deforest Park Chapter (Vice-President); North Long Beach Business Association (Board Member); North Long Beach Community Action Group (Vice President); Citizen Police Complaint Commission (Commissioner); Long Beach Strategic Plan Task Force (Community Safety); Long Beach Veterans Day Parade Committee (Logistic Chair, Committee Chair); Academic Uprise Education Board (Board Member); U.S. Veterans of Cabrillo (Board Member). In 2011, VAL was appointed to the LA County Housing Commission by Supervisor Don Knabe.

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## Retrospective Oct. 7, 2016

The Petroleum Club, President JERRY CALIGIURI presiding. Walking in to a musical interlude, we had an Invocation delivered by RUDY HEDGREN. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: ROB NICHOLS. Announcements: JERRY welcomed new member RICH PINSON. RICH has already signed up to work on the Health Fair. Welcome! Tail Twister JUDY outlined the costume options for the Oct. 28 meeting. No costume: fined OR for a dollar more you can rent a costume. She fined GEORGE MILLER JR for leaving the Race Track without paying his bill. CHARLIE QUAIFFE outlined the need for volunteers for the Health Fair. CLAUDIA HARDEN noted that the guest for the Oct. 14 is a mystery but will be enjoyed. She expects the Mayor for the 21st but is not confident. PP GARTH PHILLIPS reported on the outcome of the Toshiba Classic. We worked seven shifts, earning \$350 for the club. GEORGE reported that FELIX FRANKLIN has fallen and cracked a vertebra. His wife Pat has asked that visitors call her first at 562-505-9555. PP YOURS TRULY reported on the Skirball Center

visit. PCC ROGER POWELL reported on Day at the Races. Thirty-two people participated. The 50/50, run by DONNA KELLY was won by PP PDG DENNIS DRAG. Happy Bucks were offered by COD JUDITH OLMSTED POWELL (for arranging the Skirball trip); DENNIS (\$5, for the cards to LESLIE); PP MERLIN THIMLAR (thanks to GARTH for putting the Toshiba effort together); ROB (sudden change in granddaughter's attitude); PP JIM HARDEN (trip to Northwestern, CLAUDIA gave JUDY a memento from U of Illinois); SAM (DONNA is well); DENNIS gave again, hoping the Purdue coach is soon unemployed); YOURS TULY (leaving Tuesday for Tanzania); MARILYN (hoping all football references are eliminated); CHARLIE (cortisone shot, um um good); LINDA WEINGARTNER (anticipating a Cubbies win). COD JUDY shared a few thoughts on German history and culture and the proper pronunciation of German words, as we were challenged to do. She then intro'd musician Linda Herman who entertained while others sang and danced.



## Oct. 21—Mayor Garcia

Program Chair—CLAUDIA HARDEN

Oct 28—Costume contest

## CALENDAR

### October

11—Board meeting  
18—Zone A Meeting  
26—CSAC  
31—Charities Committee

### November

**COMING SOON!**  
On Oct. 21, Mayor Garcia comes to visit.  
On Oct. 28 we come in costume.  
The North LB Vets Day parade is Nov. 5.  
We serve Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 16 and 17.

1—City Council presents proclamation  
1—Membership Committee  
5—North LB Veterans Day Parade  
8—Board Meeting  
12—District Meeting, 11:30AM  
15—Zone A Meeting  
16—T'giving Dinner McKinley  
17—T'giving dinner Hart  
24—Thanksgiving  
25—Dark!

### December

### VACATION NOTICE

We head out of town soon and will be gone about two weeks. We are not yet certain which Sea Lions we will be able to crank out before we go and on our return (no more editing Sea Lions in Machu Pichu or Tanzania. Sorry, folks.) Suffice it to say here are the programs and CODs for the next several weeks.

Oct. 21: Mayor Garcia, COD VAL LERCH.

Oct. 28: Costume contest, COD JUDY POWELL.

Both meetings are at the Petroleum Club at noon.

6—Membership Committee  
6—Charities Committee  
13—Board meeting  
20—Zone A Meeting  
23—Dark! Christmas  
25—Christmas  
30—Dark! New Years

### January

1—New Years  
3—Membership Committee  
3—Charities Committee  
10—Board meeting  
14—MD4 Leadership Forum  
17—Zone A Meeting  
21—District Meeting, 8AM  
25—CSAC

### February

7—Membership Committee  
10—MD4 Convention  
14—Board meeting  
21—Zone A meeting

### March

4—MD4 Leadership Institute  
6—Night at the Theater  
14—Board meeting  
16—Chinese Dinner and Auction  
21—Zone A meeting

### April

8—District Meeting 8AM  
11—Board meeting

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2	SAM KELLY
6	PP MEL NUTTER
14	JOHN ROUSE
16	RUDY HEDREN
22	CLAUDIA HARDEN

