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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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MEETING AND TOUR: SALVATION ARMY
Attached to this Sea Lion are a map to the facility and a lunch order form. If you want lunch, contact PP LINCOLN ODELL asap. Sandwiches from Subway are \$7.

SALVATION ARMY 3060 LONG BEACH BLVD. 562-247-3534
Presiding: PCC ROGER POWELL
Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE
Program Arranged by: PP LINCOLN ODELL

MELINDA LANKFORD COD
Although she grew up in Montana and Wyoming, MELINDA came to California for college and has lived in the Long Beach community for most of the past 24 years. MELINDA began working with The Salvation Army seven years ago, first with the Divisional Headquarters overseeing all of Southern California and then since April of 2017 she's had the pleasure of serving in her local community as Long Beach Corps Capital Campaign Director and Community Programs Director. The Long Beach Corps and Community Center serve Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill, Hawaiian Gardens and Avalon.

Guests welcome!

The relationship between our organizations goes "way back". Note this tale in re PP BILL WILLIAMS:
Our Lion members played a part on the new Salvation Army facility.

In 2001, Lion Major JIM HOOD was in charge of the Long Beach Salvation Army, and Lion BILL WILLIAMS did pro bono legal work for the Salvation Army. BILL was proud of his success in getting the Long Beach Hardware site at Spring Street and Long Beach Boulevard rezoned for a new Salvation Army facility.



However, he thought that his effort was in vain, as the Kroc Foundation, the city of Long Beach, and the Salvation Army decided to build at the Hamilton Bowl instead. Lion DENNIS DRAG was involved in engineering studies for that project.

However, due to cost and liability issues, the Salvation Army discontinued that effort in 2010 and work resumed at the Spring Street and Long Beach Boulevard location. BILL WILLIAM'S efforts were not in vain after all, and phase 1 of the new facility was completed in April of this year.

BRING A TOY!
If you are coming to the Salvation Army tour, please bring a new, unwrapped toy of \$10-\$15 value. Thank you for your generosity!

MELINDA has been married 24 years to Chris, Lead Pastor at Long Beach Alliance Church. They have two daughters, Jessalyn (18) a Millikan graduate currently a freshman at Simpson University in Redding, and Makayla (15) a freshman at Millikan playing girls water polo (go Rams!).
A graduate of Biola University with a BA in Business Administration, MELINDA focused her education on nonprofits and has loved working with various nonprofit organizations through the years.
Although her favorite pastime is connecting those who care with those in need, she also loves cycling with her Long Beach Lightning Velo team and encouraging other women in their spiritual lives.
MELINDA became a Lion earlier this year and has enjoyed being part of Downtown Lions and seeing all the good that can be done when people care enough to do it.





RETROSPECTIVE, DECEMBER 1, 2017

Petroleum Club, PCC ROGER POWELL presiding. ROGER called for a moment of silence in honor of ED MACIAS. Invocation: CHARLIE QUAIFFE. Song/salute: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. Piano: PDG JUDITH OLMSTED POWELL. Announcements: There is an open slot in the Bell Ringing schedule, if you can help contact MELINDA LANKFORD. There are other opportunities to volunteer for the Army, BARB HALLER has a list. The final number for the Holiday party is to be called in Tuesday. To be included contact ROGER or JUDY. ADRIENNE BABER intro'd her grandson Thomas and his colleague Damion Bogus. Thomas gave a Happy Buck and thanked us for our hospitality. Tail Twister JUDY initiated a card game and collected Happy Bucks from herself (Illinois looked good in the first half but ended up being crushed by Northwestern); PDG DENNIS DRAG (Northwestern crushed Illinois); BONNIE BARWICK (ED woke up from surgery and has been okayed to go to her brother's wedding); ER BARWICK (woke up from surgery, thanks for the cards and calls); MARILYN

(ED is back); CHARLIE (BEV is out of surgery and in ICU) and RICK PINSON (Michigan State beat North Carolina and Notre Dame). The 50/50, run by DONNA KELLY, was won by YOURS TRULY. COD DENNIS had fun and raised money with questions about Long Beach history, focusing on when certain buildings were built and where they were located. Did you know Andrew Carnegie donated to the construction of one of our city halls? DENNIS intro'd Will Gorham of Plenary Corp., who is building our new city hall. They will operate it for three years, then turn it over to the city in an "eighty percent as new" condition. Will traced the history of the new building from the raising of seismic issues with the existing hall and library to today's status: completed to floor 11. He explored many of the design issues raised by the city's unique character and needs.

JUDY announced the winners of the card game: DENNIS, \$6, MARILYN \$16. PP LINCOLN ODELL announced next week's speaker: Michelle Wilson, Parks, Rec and Marine.



Dec. 22—Dark! Christmas

Program Manager— PP LINCOLN ODELL
Dec. 29—Dark! New Years

COMING UP...

Holiday Party, Dec. 10, LB Yacht Club., 4pm.
IP Reception, Dec. 31
Chinese Dinner and Auction, Feb. 22
Night at the Theater, April 26.

CALENDAR

December

10—Holiday Party, LBYC, 4pm
12—Board meeting
22—Dark! Christmas
25—Christmas
29—Dark! New Years
31—IP Reception, Rosemead

January

1—New Years
5—Membership Committee
9—Board meeting
15—King Day
February
2—Student Speakers
6—Membership Committee
9—11—MD4 Convention, San Diego
13—Board Meeting
14—Valentines Day
19—President's Day
22—Chinese Dinner and Auction

March

6—Membership Committee
13—Board meeting
16—St. Patrick's Day

April

3—Membership Committee
10—Board meeting
26—Night at the Theater

May

1—Membership Committee
8—Board meeting
25—Dark
28—Memorial Day

June

5—Membership Committee
12—Board meeting

July

3—Membership Committee
4—Independence Day
6—Dark!
10—Board meeting

August

7—Membership Committee
14—Board meeting
31—Dark!

September

3—Labor Day