

Boeing Leadership Association of Southern California

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As I've said before, I am honored to be a part of BLASC and humbled to be your 2017 Chapter President. The BLASC Board of Directors are a talented, dedicated team and I've enjoyed working with them and other BLASC members throughout the year. This year we've had some amazing GMMs, awesome special events, and learning opportunities. As we close out the year, I want to thank the Board of Directors, all of our committee team members, and all of you for a wonderful year. I hope you all enjoy the holiday season with family and friends and I look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Sincerely,

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December GMM Holiday Party

Wow! What a great evening!

Once more we met at the Hyatt Regency in Newport Beach to celebrate the holidays and the coming year!

I hope everyone had a wonderful time. At the start of the evening we were greeted with hors d'oeuvres and piano music. But the one thing I noticed when I arrived was the abundance of toys on the table outside the main dining room. Absolutely amazing. Thank you to all who donated! We received \$125 in gift cards and approximately 100 toys donated to Olive Crest, a non-profit organization in the prevention and treatment of child abuse, treating and educating at-risk children and to preserve the family unit (www.olivecrest.org).



Shortly after we hurried into the main dining room, we were greeted by the live band as we found seats at the various tables in the room. As dinner was served, the featured performance started, as the first member of the “Rat Pack” jumped in. Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr. and Frank Sinatra all appeared to wish us happy holidays! It was a wonderful act that included some Rat Pack humor from Dean (Andy DiMino) and a very engaging chemistry between Dean, Sammy (Lambus Dean) and Frank (Monty Aidem).



Dean Martin (Andy DiMino)



Sammy Davis Jr. (Lambus Dean)



Frank Sinatra (Monty Aidem)

Of course, we were distracted by the dinner at the same time! We were served a spiced butternut squash puree, a cut of filet mignon, and an extravagantly rich chocolate cake.

But the prizes! We gave away Uber, Macy's and Cheesecake Factory gift cards, a nice whiskey gift set, Disneyland gift cards, a bottle of Glenlivet scotch, Patron tequila, and an Amazon Echo among other things! Congratulations to all of the winners! Not just those who won in our raffles but also to all of the gamblers out there! Hope everyone enjoyed our casino night as well!

Needless to say, another beautiful night in Southern California, and a great way to end the year. Wish you all a happy end of the year and hope you see you again in the next!

Contributed By: Jonathan Hua



Steve Stakley and Judie Vullo



Lindsay Heddon



Lacey Jones and Mark Kline



Daniela and Frank Nau



Robert and Elena Einstein



Kim Talor and Karen Jeffries



Christa Wolfenbarger



Dwayne and Deneva Henry



Jonathan Hua and Kim Talor



Party goes on the Dance Floor



Guests Playing Blackjack



Guests playing Roulette



The BLASC 2017 Board of Directors with the Rat Pack Tribute Band

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The 2017 November 30th Membership Drive was a great success. BLASC hosted the drive at Hennessey's Grill in Seal Beach, CA. From advertising to the BLASC members and to the Boeing REACH network, 14 potential members joined the event. From the BLASC board Kim Talor and Lacey Jones hosted the event and explained the leadership opportunities that BLASC has to offer. Also, long time member and past board member Andy Wang attended to speak to the crowd about the General Membership Meetings, Special Events, and Professional Development opportunities. BLASC is excited to expand its current membership base from sites all around Southern California.



Contributed By: Lacey Jones

UPCOMING BLASC EVENTS

General Membership Meetings:

November was Dark;

December 9th at the Newport Hyatt Regency. Rat Pack Gala theme and Casino Night Holiday Party.

January 2018- Dark

February 2018- TBD

Professional Development:

Check our [Web Site](#) for up-to-date activities

Special Events:

[Iceland Trip- February 2018](#)

Check our [Web Site Calendar](#) regularly for new and exciting events throughout the year at <http://blasc.us/calendar.cfm>

BLASC F2F Strategy Planning Meeting for 2018

On November 16th and 17th, your 2017 Board of Directors (BoD) traveled to Virginia to conduct a Face-2-Face Strategy Planning Meeting for the 2018 calendar year. The event took place at the Boeing Long Bridge facility in Arlington. The BoD had funding for this trip from the cancelled annual conference in September and sought a place to conduct business in an environment without interruptions. An added plus was to have Tim Keating, the Boeing Senior VP of Government Operations, there to speak to us.

The 2-day meeting covered topics of “what has worked well” and “what needs to be improved” for the chapter. This included discussing general membership meetings (our dinners), professional development offerings, organization of the chapter leadership, and which special events to offer in 2018. The BoD also reviewed “tip sheets” created by each officer describing his/her position to make knowledge transfer of that position as seamless as possible for future VP’s.

Other topics discussed included membership changes and trends which resulted in actions to pursue in 2018; the financial strength of the chapter, and the 2018 BoD goals.

The BoD worked through lunch both days to get through the full agenda and the meeting culminated with a review and suggested revision to our chapter by-laws.

Mr. Keating met with the BoD for an hour on Friday and described Boeing’s involvement in current and past transactions which has led to contract placement of airplane orders. His insights were useful in ensuring that BLASC is in alignment with the skills and abilities needed by our members to contribute to Boeing’s future.



Left to Right: Jonathan Hua, Lacey Jones, Kim Talor, Steve Stakley, Tim Keating, Daniela Nau, Christa Wolfinbarger, Lindsay Heddon, Dwayne Henry

As always, your BoD solicits your input on our plans and activities to make the chapter even better! Please contact us if you have ideas.

I thoroughly enjoyed our recent face-to-face meeting as it helped me get to know each board member better. The event solidified the team to be stronger and better leaders for BLASC for 2018!
-Kim Talor

Contributed By: Dwayne Henry and Bob Noel

2018 Board of Directors



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