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JANICE KURTH

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calendar
EVENTS
and speakers

AUGUST 2015 - SPEAKER

- 07.....Drones - They're Not Just for the Military!
Action Drones
- 14.....Heritage Architecture
David Marshall
- 21.....Kick Procrastination to the Curb
Ellen Goodwin
- 28.....Director of Development, The Preuss School UCSD
Stephanie Venti

SEPTEMBER 2015 - SPEAKER

- 04.....DARK
Labor Day
- 11.....San Diego Business Journal
Armon Mills & Nels Jensen

District 5340 Governor 2015-16 **JANICE KURTH**

District Governor Janice earned her B.A. in chemistry from Austin College, Ph.D. in human genetics from Stanford University, and M.D. from University of Arizona, with post-graduate training in internal medicine. Her professional career has included medical practice, academic and industrial biomedical research, product and software development, research management and pharmaceutical medicine. She is now retired to a busy life of service to her community, family and Rotary.

Janice is a member of the Rotary Club of Del Mar. She was a GSE Team Leader to District 9200 (East Africa) in February, 2010 and has served District 5340 in many roles over the last 10 years and sponsored several Global Grants. She is very excited and honored to serve as District Governor in 2015-2016. Janice is a member of the Paul Harris Society, the Bequest Society and a Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation. Her other service activities include student mentoring and The San Diego Women's Foundation.

In her free time, Janice enjoys running, weight lifting, traveling, reading, hiking, biking, and wine tasting. She has been married to her husband Matt for 27 years. They have two daughters, ages 24 and 26 years.



Janice H Kurth, MD, PhD
District 5340
District Governor 2015-2016

<http://rotary5340.org/SitePage/district-governor-janice-kurth>



Louise Andres
Reporter

REPORT

from last meeting



Susan Schwarz
Coordinator

UPCOMING REPORTER

JULY 2015

31..... Bonnie Arora

AUGUST 2015

07..... Denny Jacobs

14..... Linda Stouffer

21..... Dr. Dennis Bucko

28..... Jennifer Shaffer

SEPTEMBER 2015

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE
THINK, SAY OR DO

1 | Is it the
TRUTH?

2 | Is it FAIR
to all
Concerned?

3 | Will it build
GOODWILL
and BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?

4 | Will it be
BENEFICIAL
to all
concerned?

~Herbert J. Taylor

And so, my fellow Americans:

ask not what your country can do for you,
ask what you can do for your country.

— John F. Kennedy, inauguration address, January 1961.



Marty Rosenstein led the meeting today, in the absence of our President. Rotarian of the Day, **Andrea Brannan**, proclaimed herself to be a procrastinator and artsy-fartsy type. She first joined the club when her employer, **Ben Bridges** had her join the club. She was a member for 10 years, then changed jobs and had to leave the club. She was impressed that both **Carl Lower** and **Pam Russell** called her when she was joining. And she loves the international work we do. She tried real estate, which was very difficult. She went back to Ben Bridges, and has come back to the club. She said that sometimes you need to leave a thing to appreciate it.

Lee Ann Cusick, former and future member was visiting today, as well as **Walt Schafer**, from the Chico Rotary Club, and 3 UCSD Rotaractors: **Sampson**, **Marco** and **Vivian**. The UCSD Rotaract club was awarded the Presidential Citation for the Rotary year 2014-2015.

The bonfire dinner and social that was rained out last week will be held this Sunday, at 6 o'clock at Crown Point. There also will be a whale watching trip on August 24th.

George Mannschreck is still recovering - **Lori Bende** will make sure that when he needs dinners delivered, we will take care of him.

DISTRICT EVENTS:

- There will be a membership rally on August 1. EVERYONE is on the membership committee, and it would be great to have a big turnout

for this. There will be a lot of new ideas for getting and keeping members, as well as a unified message when we are talking about membership.

- There will be a Rotary Dinner "Rotary New Year" at Cordiano Winery on August 4th. Go to the district website to register
- Thousand Smiles will be August 8th - 9th

Alex had a non-announcement: community service meeting will be next week. Immediate past president **Ron** gave a wonderful thank you speech to Immediate Past District Governor **Louise Andres**, and a gift of two beautiful bookends. **Louise** thanked the club for their support.

Bonnie and **Krishna Arora** were presented with their **Paul Harris** fellowship pins for 6+. Visiting Rotarian **Walt Schafer** presented a **Paul Harris** Fellowship to his daughter, and our club member, **Kim Schafer**. He joined after Rotary after being impacted by **John Kennedy's** inaugural speech, who said "My fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." from **John Kennedy**. The family is all in service jobs, and he has taken **Kim** to Tanzania twice.

Ron gave an end of year gift to **Jim Davies**. **Jim** took the occasion to talk about the Mexican orphanage project, and the great work that **Tony Grillo**, **Charley** from Vista Paints, and **Dave Wiegman** have done.

Speaker **Bob "Sully" Sullivan**, talk host on KOGO, talked about participating in a million dollar Challenged Athletes Foundation bike ride from San Francisco to San Diego, October 2016, 620 miles in 7 days. Go to <http://www.kogo.com/onair/demaio-sullivan-report-56182/> look for video in the right column.

Sully talked largely about the Chargers and the stadium. The number one industry in the world is tourism. Every game in the stadium is a 2.5 hour commercial for San Diego. Each game has a \$750,000 impact on our city. To get the Super Bowl requires new stadium. He made the case that the cost of new stadium on current land is very small. Repairing the stadium will cost \$50,000,000. A new stadium could be used for used for Chargers, Aztecs, concerts, truck rallies, and much more. The current stadium has the biggest parking lot west of the Mississippi. He would advocate moving the stadium to one side, and then develop rest of the lot with housing and a UTC like development. This is NOT about lining pockets of millionaire, but about a civic asset. The stadium is owned by the city, and it will get the revenue. The Chargers use the stadium only 8 times a year, and they pay for that use. Questions from the club created a very lively conversation.

Next week the Rotarian of the day will be **Bruce Geier**, and District Governor **Janice Kurth** will be the speaker. **Marty** searched for a non offensive joke and hit the jackpot!



Pamela S. Russell
Reporter

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Bill Keane
Photographer

PHOTOS

from last meeting



District Events

... AUGUST 1 | **Membership Rally**
I want to encourage everyone to attend this important Membership Rally. RI Director Brad Howard is the keynote speaker; you will find his message thought provoking and an inspiration as to how we continue to build our membership. All Club Presidents, Membership Chairs, and Public Relations Chairs are strongly encouraged to attend as well as any other members of your club's membership and leadership teams.

... AUGUST 1 | **Rotary District 5340 Membership Rally** | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at USD | Cost: \$20. | Sign-up through Club Runner

... AUGUST 4 | **Happy New Year Party and District Dinner** | Cordiano Winery Registration limited | Register early.

... SEPTEMBER 10 | **Professional Networking Event** | Registration

limited | Register early.

... OCTOBER 3 | **Rotary Leadership Institute** | Parts 1, 2, 3 All future leaders of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club want to attend this training. It is dynamic with great ideas and a wonderful way to meet members from other clubs.

... OCTOBER 17 | **Millions for HOPE Gala** | Del Mar Fairgrounds. THE party of the year! Current RI

President Ravi Ravindran is the keynote speaker! This is the first time since 1988 that a sitting RI President has attended a District 5340 event. Let's have a great showing of our Club at this grand event.

... NOVEMBER 14 | **Foundation Seminar** | This is one of the events we need to attend as part of the Presidential Citation Award Taco lunch and beer!

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UPCOMING ROTD

AUGUST 2015

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ROTARIAN OF THE DAY

BRUCE GEIER

For those of us founding members of the club, it seems like we are always being ROTD. So I'll do a quick recap for the newbies and the rest can go back to sleep.

I was born in Sendai, Japan. My father was in the US Army and my mother is Japanese. Spent most of my adolescence life growing up in Livonia, Michigan. I was a wrestler in High School and earned a scholarship to the University of Utah. There I received 4 varsity letters and was captain of the team my senior year. I graduated with a degree

in Computer Science and my Master's degree in Business Administration.

Because god loves me and true fate, I landed in San Diego. After spending 2 years at Ernst & Whinney (now Ernst & Young) in management consulting, I started my own business. I entered computer technology at a time when IT exploded. My company has grown considerably over the past 34 years and during that time I have done 16 acquisitions. Today we have 23 locations in the US, 2 in Canada and one in China. **TIG (Technology Integration Group)** revenues for fiscal 2014 were a little over \$350 million, with about 425 employees.

I remarried 10 years ago, to a beautiful woman, **Angela**. Combined we have 6 children, but only one joint child,

Trent. **Trent** is 7 and blends the family together. The three oldest are out of the house. **Mark** (30), **Kenji** (24) and **Nicole** (22). **Bryce** (14) starts at Torrey Pines this year and **Ava** (13) attends Earl Warren. **Trent** attends Encinitas Country Day. We enjoy spending time in Big Bear and Park City whenever possible (San Diego too!).

I originally became a Rotarian out of the Spring Valley Club. When I moved my business to the UTC area myself and **Phil Goodlove (Remember Him?)** switched clubs to join the LJGTR. Work & kids keep me from attending many LJGTR functions but we try to make as many as possible. This club besides being "the most dynamic Rotary club in the world" has to be the most active club in the world! Keep up the GREAT effort.