

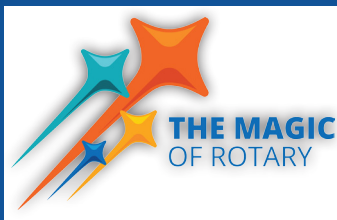
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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 13 2024



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District 5340 Governor 2024-25
DIANNE CRAWFORD

LJGT Rotary President 2024-25
LUKE ERVIN

AOS MEETINGS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

1st Friday of the Month.....Community Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

2nd Friday of the Month..... International Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

3rd Friday of the Month..... Youth Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

4th Friday of the Month.....Peace Committee
(follows club meeting)



SHANE LIEBERMAN

WASHINGTON D.C. UPDATE: POLITICS AND POLICY AHEAD

Shane Lieberman
Executive Director, Senior Governmental Affairs
Advisor, UBS Americas Inc.



Shane Lieberman serves as Senior Governmental Affairs Advisor for UBS Americas Inc., which covers all of the primary units within UBS, including Wealth Management, Investment Banking, and Asset Management. In this capacity, Shane works with Senators, Members of Congress, and their staff on tax, pension, and retirement issues that impact UBS and their clients. Since joining UBS at the end of 2013, Politico, a DC based newspaper, noted that there is “a new power circle of K Street figures.” Shane was named on this short list of DC power players.

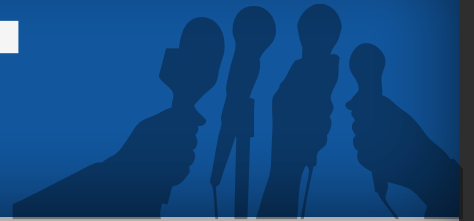
Prior to joining UBS, Shane worked on Capitol Hill for over 12 years. Most recently, he served as Legislative Director and primary policy advisor to Congressman Vern Buchanan. While overseeing Mr. Buchanan’s legislative agenda he focused on tax, trade, and healthcare issues for the Congressman. Shane began his Capitol Hill career with Congresswoman Nancy Johnson where he started as an intern and worked his way up the ladder until he served as Mrs. Johnson’s Senior Legislative Assistant. During his tenure for Mrs. Johnson, Shane advised her on a broad range of legislative and policy issues including, defense, homeland security, and foreign policy.

Shane was born and raised in Avon, Connecticut and is a graduate of Ithaca College. He currently resides in Washington, D.C. with his wife, their two children and their English bulldog.



REPORT

from the last meeting



UPCOMING SPEAKERS



2024

SEPTEMBER - SPEAKER

20.....Dr. Paula Cordeiro
Building peace

27.....Jan Goldsmith
Union-Tribune Columnist:
San Diegans You Should Know

OCTOBER - SPEAKER

4.....Dylan Aste
Assistant US Attorney
The fentanyl crisis

11.....John Conover
San Diego beaches
are losing their sand

18.....Chris Santos
Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Linda Stouffer Wallis, one of our true heroes, celebrated as Rotarian of the Day. After a short, Rotary - related prayer and leading us in The Pledge, she told of treating her thirteen- year- old grandson ,Gabriel, to a “Welcome-to-your-Teens” trip to London, England. We are sure these will be moments that he will never forget. She, Steve and Gabriel then met the rest of their family in Madrid and traveled some more from Spain into Portugal.

She also updated the challenges that we have had in the beautiful UCSD Faculty Club. We are there to stay, friends!

Due to her extensive time spent in Washington State, long-time member **Peggy Martin** has resigned from the club. We wish you all the best, Peggy.

This is Rotary Literacy Month. **Linda Andrews** will be collecting children’s books throughout September.

Ron Kohl reminded us to bring children’s stuffed toys for the Ensenada trip and announced that **The Copley Foundation** stepped up again and provided sports gear for the Ensenada kids.

New bulletin reporter GURU, **Richard Norman Papike**, reminded us that it is an honor to be reporter of the week, so sign up ... I feel truly blessed today ...!

David and Kathleen Tansey were thanked for inviting us all to David’s 90th birthday bash at the rowing club on Mission Bay.... A great celebration for one of our Charter Members.

Fary Godmother Moini shared her Rotary Moment 25 years ago when she came, “kicking and screaming” to her first LJGT Rotary meeting. The impact it made on her life and the impact she made on ours, are immeasurable.

Our very special guest program was **Rotary District 5340 Governor 2024-25, Dianne Crawford**. She exclaimed that our club is considered a “Jewel in the District and around the World” for our accomplishments here and abroad.

Born on the beautiful French/Dutch island of St. Maarten, she told of the influence her father, a police chief, and her mother, a volunteer community leader, had on her life. Her mom was awarded the French government’s

highest honor, the **National Order of Merit**. All of this inspired her to find an entity where she can “Leave a positive legacy”. Twenty years ago, she found Rotary and has not let up since.

The Rotary Action Plan involves Increasing our Impact, Expanding our Reach, Enhancing Participant Engagement, and Increasing our Ability to Adapt. She explained the most important way to maximize our Rotary experience is to “Get Involved”... Committees, Rotary projects, club services, membership expansion, youth mentorship , etc. These have been our club’s life-blood for nearly 40 years. This past Rotary year, our District 5340 provided more than two million dollars in volunteer labor. Unfortunately, there are still 26 known Polio cases world-wide. We are still committed to “Stop Polio Now”.

Luke’s meeting ended with trivia about the correct spelling of St. Maarten This is it!

~Reporter

Rick Clark



PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



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LJGT ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2024 - 2025

PRESIDENT Luke Ervin
VICE PRESIDENT Linda Stouffer Wallis
PRESIDENT ELECT (2025-26) David Chong
PRESIDENT ELECT NOMINEE (2026-27) Jan Percival
TREASURER Sharon Council
SECRETARY Sandi Rimer
PAST-PRESIDENT Christy White Brook

ROTARIAN OF THE DAY



**MICHAEL
MCQUARY**

Dr. Michael McQuary's career path included a morning paper route and selling toothbrushes and day-old doughnuts door-to-door in middle school.

During high school, he was a volunteer helper at the neighborhood park, drove an ice cream cart during the summer, was a short order cook at a neighborhood drive-in restaurant, and gassed boats at a local yacht harbor. After graduating from high school, he became a railroad fireman for the Union Pacific Railroad and was a power lift operator and loader at a major shipping company.

Working his way through college, he sold intercom systems to small businesses, worked for a private home construction company, delivered morning newspapers, and managed a university student housing apartment complex. While taking courses to earn his elementary and secondary teaching certificate, he was a Spare Parts Specialist and Quality Control Inspector for a rapidly growing manufacturing firm that handled both private and government contract that included the Titan Missile, Polaris Missile, off shore oil drilling rigs, and the tunneling device for the San Francisco-Oakland BART Tunnel. He also was the shipping and receiving clerk for a small manufacturing firm and a licensed life and casualty insurance sales representative.

With his teaching credential in hand, he taught elementary, secondary, and college classes in the San Francisco Bay Area, San Joaquin Valley, and Silicon Valley. While earning an administration credential, Masters Degree, and a Doctorate, he was a school principal, district program manager, county schools project director, instructional supervisor (math, science, and technology), and a California Department of Education Program Consultant and Distinguished Schools Validator.

Upon retiring from public education, he spent a year in the Himalayan Mountains volunteering with the Tibetan Children's Village. After meeting with the Dalai Lama and completing his La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club Global Grant Project in Northern India, he moved to San Diego to "develop his community voice and have fun."

Retiring in San Diego, Dr. McQuary has been active in his community with multiple local, county, state, national, and international organizations, including service with Rotary (President), Democratic Party (Club President, County Central Committee-Director of Clubs, and California Democratic Council President), Pacific Beach Town Council (Director), San Diego Unified School District (School Board Member and President), California School Board Association (Delegate), San Diego International Sister Cities Association (Chair), Sister Cities International Southern California Chapter (Director), and Sister Cities International (Director).

And...he started a property management business.

His current passion is expanding his "community voice" to include "international connections" through the Sister Cities framework.

One such connection is the World Design Capital Indigenous Week and Forum (17-23 November 2024), in partnership with San Diego International Sister Cities Association, Kumyaya and Massai Friendship Society, and UCSD.



SEPTEMBER 2024

September 20 - Mike Bardin

September 27 - Steve Balch

OCTOBER 2024

October 4 - Ron Kohl



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