

AN OVERVIEW OF SAN DIEGO SISTER CITIES IMPACTFUL AND SOCIAL EVENTS WORK & CONTRIBUTIONS TO GLOBAL PEACE

For over 65 years, San Diego Sister Cities has passionately championed peace, fostering global connections and understanding through collaboration. Our mission is to unite cities worldwide in friendship with San Diego, creating a more peaceful global community. We currently have 24 international Sister City and Friendship City partnerships in 23 countries with the City of San Diego. Sister Cities was founded as a Presidential Initiative by Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, it is a global network of citizen diplomats dedicated to creating peace through understanding and collaboration. Through our unwavering commitment to diplomacy and cultural exchange, San Diego Sister Cities has demonstrated exemplary performance in the field of peacebuilding and peacemaking.

We are profoundly grateful to Rotary for contemplating our organization for the esteemed Peacemaker Award and for their steadfast support in promoting peace. In our collaborative efforts, San Diego Sister Cities and Rotary showcase the remarkable power of dedicated partnerships, illustrating the potential to transform the world into a more peaceful and interconnected place. Our shared vision envisions a world where meaningful dialogue triumphs over discord, and collaboration stands as the cornerstone of a harmonious global society. Together, we are inspiring positive change and fostering a future defined by unity, understanding, and global peace.

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

2nd Friday of the Month..... Youth Services Committee

(follows club meeting)

4th Friday of the Month.....

.. Peace Committee (follows club meeting)







UPCOMING SPEAKERS



2024

FEBRUARY - SPEAKER

16	Michelle Saul
Inte	grity and Levels of Agreement

.....Brian Lee The University Club

MARCH - SPEAKER

1	Docent Andy Hill The USS Midway Story
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15	LJGTRC Financial Members Panel of Club Members in the financial industry
22	Sophie Williams Pointeworks - Arts & Culture in San Diego
	To a stress stars

The Power of Public Speaker

Jim Frost, the Rotarian of the Day and native San Diegan, presented his biography and information about his family and his family business. He has a long history in the lumber industry, and he is currently the president of Frost Hardwood, which was started in 1911 by his great uncle. Jim joined Rotary in 2004 and has been active in many of our community service projects.

Jim's invocation recalled Buddhist philosophy and the results of Karma. He noted that good choices can create new realities for good results.

Doug introduced 7 guests (including three UCSD Rotaract students.) Five "Zoomers" including **Bonnie Arora** in India also attended.

President Christy's announcements reminded us about the New Members Contest, encouraging us to bring a new member to the club before March first to compete for a special surprise gift. Diane Day already has one new member to her credit. Christy also reminded us about Jay Hatfield's retirement party today and his band's engagement tomorrow in Coronado at the ferry landing.

Jackie Reilly invited us all to attend the "Urban Angels "breakfast event on February 25th. Carolyn Fritz requested donations for flood victims. Rick Clark presented a fabulous new video of our club members at the Wreath Laying ceremony at Miramar Cemetery.

High Fives were offered by **Sheila** for her new puppy, **Jacqui** for her return home, **Jim Frost** for Tim's AV help, and **Marty** for Stephen's anti bullying projects and "Entrepreneur's Academy". **Dianne Day** thanked **Rich Papike** and **Sarah** for their RYLA participation. **Sarah's Micelli's** son **Tucker** was with her today and Sarah was "mugged".

Our guest speaker was County Seriff **Kelly A. Martinez** who has spent 39 years in law enforcement. She gave an overview of her jurisdiction and responsibilities as an elected San Diego County Officer with a broad geographical focus. The Sherriff's office also contracts with some smaller cities in the county to provide Police and law enforcement services. She also oversees the Regional Crime Lab and a helicopter air fleet.

She is particularly proud of the programs she has instituted which teach inmates skills such as culinary skills or sewing (with the Old Globe Costume department). She has also provided general education opportunities to reduce recidivism and create safer environments for incarcerated prisoners. The Sheriff then took questions about the differences between the Sherriff's and the Police Chief's responsibilities, jail vs penitentiary, Sherriff's inability to enforce immigration except for humanitarian issues, and smuggling.

Christy closed the meeting with an astonishing AI generated report of a fictitious crime scene which the Sheriff faced.

~Reporter Dennis Bucko

PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING





Membership Tips:

IT SOUNDS SIMPLE, BUT THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO GROW MEMBERS IS **"ASK SOMEONE"**

REPEATEDLY INVITE PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS UNLESS YOU GET A DEFINITIVE **"NO"** FROM THEM.

ENSURE THAT PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS FEEL IMPORTANT. INTRODUCE THEM TO OTHER MEMBERS AND SIT WITH THEM.



OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

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IS IT THE TRUTH? IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

WILL IT **BUILD GOODWILL** AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

> WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Among the hundreds of president elects at the Southwest President Elect Training (PETS) this last weekend, our own PE Luke was tapped to dine at RI President Elect Stephanie Urchick's table! Luke will fill us in on their conversations at a future meeting. So proud of you Luke and the LJGT Rotary Club!

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LJGT ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2023 - 2024

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FEBRUARY 2024

February 16 - Douglas Cramer

February 23 - Theron Morgan

MARCH 2024

March 1 - Carolyn Fritz



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SHORT CHRONOLOGY OF STEVE BROWN'S LIFE AGES 0 TO 76

- Lived first 13 years is small farming community of Colfax located in Eastern Washington State.
- In 1960 pyromaniac facilitated family relocating to Spokane, Washington.
- 1962-65 attended high school with more students than population of Colfax.
- 1965 started dating Susan Shafer whose family lived in our neighborhood.
 (Thank you pyromaniac for facilitating the relocation.)
- 1965-69 attended Washington State University graduating with BA in Accounting. Susan attended and graduated as well.
- 1969 traveled to Europe for 3 months making sure to be back in time for our wedding in June.
- 1969-72 attended Stanford Law School graduating in June. After graduation Susan and I traveled to Europe for 4 months.
- 1972 commenced work at Luce Forward law firm in San Diego.
- 1986 became Charter Member of La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club.
- 1990-91 La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club President.
- 1995-96 Rotary District 5340 Governor; Had last legal billable moment around this time.
- 2002 made first of 12 trips to Jalalabad, Afghanistan.
- 2010-14 Trustee of The Rotary Foundation.
- During the last 30+ years have done a bunch of Rotary stuff, much of which was international.
- Hope to travel to the Autonomous Republic of Karakalpakstan in September 2024
- Present, unsuccessful in avoiding being Rotarian of the Day.



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