

THE FBI



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Editor

Another beautiful San Diego day and another jam-packed Rotary program as **President David** starts the second quarter of his term. **Peter MacLaggan** reminded us that many cities recognize community citizens doing extraordinary work in promoting peace, as do recipients of today's Peace

Awards. Our Pledge and *You're a Grand Old Flag* was led by **Kimberley Layton** accompanied by **Larry Showley**. **Deirdre Maloney** brought us the News of the day that culminated with a quiz: *What do you get if you divide a pumpkin's circumference by its diameter?* **Pumpkin pi**, of course. Thank you to **Greg Noonan** for being our News sponsor this week.

Prez David had many announcements. First, he welcomed visitors, Rotaracts, and congratulated **Rick Chatham**, whose wife, Olivia, gave birth to Regan Kealani Chatham, after 31 hours of labor. How many dozens of roses were in that recovery room? Not enough. On October 15, **Simona Valanciute**, CEO of San Diego Oasis, hosted an event created to help older adults become more familiar with technology. Over 1,000 people attended who now no longer have to ask their grandkids how to get on-line. *Thank you, Simona!* Two long-time friends, **Pat Crowell** and **Norbert Sanders**, joined our October 16 happy hour, looking very happy. Stay tuned for the date of a joint meeting with LEAD San Diego. Prez David's final announcement: Past President **Chuck Pretto** has been nominated for District Governor 2022/2023. A straw vote was taken, and it was a unanimous "AYE!" An official decision will be made by year's end. *We think you'd make a great DG, Chuck, and we're cheering you on.*

We heard from new member **Dan Schneiderman**, business attorney litigator, who definitely did not endear himself to the crowd by admitting he was an Oakland A's fan. He may have to litigate himself out of that one with died-in-the-wool Padres fan, Prez David.

Six years ago, our Peace Awards annual program was founded by **Jenni Prisk**. *Thank you, Jenni!* The awards recognize organizations or individuals in San Diego County who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to promoting peace. This year's Peace Committee co-chair, **Julia Holaday**, presented two awards. The San Diego History Center in partnership with Lambda created a first of its kind exhibit called "LGBTQ+ San Diego," and features stories of struggles and triumphs within that community. Accepting the award were its CEO and president, **Bill Lawrence** and Trustee chair, **John Morrell**. The second award was presented to San Diego LGBT Pride's military department and accepted by Clay Kilpatrick, a decorated veteran who four years ago began organizing and coordinating all the active duty, veterans, family, and supporters to march in the San Diego Pride Parade. Joining him was Angela Troska, an influential leader in the Military Department who launched the San Diego Transgender Military Group. *Congratulations to all.*

Chair of the Day **Rachel Inmon** recognized a Rotarian all the way from the Downtown Breakfast Club with a bevy of architectural gifts and a bottle of an adult beverage. She then introduced Scott Brunner, FBI Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the San Diego Field Office. Rachel and many other Rotarians are graduates of the FBI Citizen's Academy started by now Sheriff, **Bill Gore**, when he was San Diego's SAC. The San Diego FBI office was opened in 1939 and is now the 15th largest office in the U.S. SAC Brunner started his career in 1995, has had many posts around the country and in Bogota, Columbia, and was named SAC here in May 2019. Brunner answered some always-asked questions up front. *Who is the FBI?* They are our neighbors, living in our communities, staying involved with San Diego. *What does the FBI do?* The mission of the FBI is to protect the American people and uphold the Constitution of the United States. *What are the priorities of the FBI?* <https://www.fbi.gov/about/mission> - and - <https://www.fbi.gov/about/community-outreach>. *Continued on page 2*

Next Meeting

**Next Meeting:
October 24**

**Denise Mueller-Korenek
World Record American
Cyclist**

Breaking Boundaries

Denise Mueller-Korenek is an American cyclist and holds the world record for paced bicycle land speed. She is considered "the fastest cyclist on earth". Denise set the record on September 16, 2018, by traveling an average of 183.932 mph on a custom-built carbon KHS bicycle behind a custom-built vehicle (to minimize air resistance.) Denise is the first and only woman in history to hold the world record, which was first established in 1899.

Denise will discuss her experiences both the triumphs and setbacks, and show us how to apply those lessons to our lives. She will also be joined by fellow cyclist and renowned endurance athlete, John Howard.



**Chair of the Day
Toni Giffin**

QUICK BITS



OCT. 31-BRING YOUR WINE TO ROTARY DAY!

Calling all Rotarians! If you committed to donating a bottle of wine or your favorite adult beverage to this year's Auction... or have just been thinking about it... now's the time to act!!

On **Thursday, October 31**, the Auction Committee is hosting "Bring Your Wine to Rotary Day." Yep, you read that correctly! All Rotarians who bring in their donation of wine to this meeting will be entered into a special drawing.

All we ask is that the donation be a wine over \$25, or over 90 points. We will also accept other alcohols for those of you who prefer a different type of adult beverage! Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS

October

Ramona Walker	21
Guy Maddox	21
Georg Hochfilzer	21
Phil Blair	23
Mike Morton, Sr.	24
Hal Sadler	25
Pat Crowell	25
Woody Ledford	26
Tom Gammieri	27
Tom Cohen	27

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Nationally, there are 14,000 SAC's with 56 field offices (one being San Diego) and 360 resident agencies, one covering the region from Carlsbad to the Imperial Valley. Internationally, the FBI is officially in 64 countries but works joint operations with the CIA in many others.

Domestic terrorism is a major threat in San Diego. As a result, the FBI created the Domestic Terrorism Squad to combat internet and social media crimes, as well as homegrown violent extremists. Human rights trafficking is a major problem in our region, including kidnapping and brainwashing of cross-border victims who are funneled into child/female prostitution and pan handling crimes. The Bureau works with the local U.S. Attorney's office that handles federal crimes for the region, as well as white collar crime, which numbers in the millions of dollars.

The number one counter-intelligence challenge comes from the Chinese, who have a 50-year plan to become the world's sole superpower. The Russians pose a great threat with a criminal hacking campaign they have created. The FBI is the lead federal agency for investigating cyberattacks by criminals, overseas adversaries, and terrorists. The threat is serious and growing. Cyber intrusions are becoming more commonplace, more dangerous, and more sophisticated. Cybercrime losses are estimated to be \$20 billion worldwide and \$10 billion in the United States.

Brunner's final remarks focused on the profile of an FBI agent. It is the FBI's commitment to build a highly diverse and inclusive workforce. Hiring workshops are held in universities and at special events, as well as with community groups and youth organizations. The average age of a new agent is early 30s. And if you're looking, the FBI is hiring – fbijobs.gov.

CITY HEIGHTS ROTARACT



[Click here](#) to check out the City Heights Rotaract Fall newsletter. Meet their Board of Directors and find highlights of some of their recent service events.

And be sure and visit their website for monthly events and other ways you can get involved!
<https://www.cityheightsrotaract.org/>

CALENDAR

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LIBERTY STATION CONFERENCE CENTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

October

**24 Denise Mueller Korenek-
Breaking Boundaries**

**31 The State of the Spirits
Market**

November

**7 Annual Salute to the Military
Program**

GROTARIAN EVENT

Stay tuned for details for upcoming events:

December—Christmas at the Timken

January - Grotarian Fireside Chat

Remember you can always find upcoming event details on our website at www.sandiegorotary.club and on our app.



You can download the free San Diego Rotary app on your phone and tablet from the App Store or Google Play. Just search "San Diego Rotary".

Meetings: Every Thursday at Noon, Liberty Station Conference Center, 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, 92106

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AUCTION

THANK YOU to **Phil Blair**, **Mel Katz** and Manpower for being a sponsor of the auction.
Additional sponsorships are available.

If you or your company are interested contact auction chair [Kimberley Layton](#).



Mark your calendars now
for this year's

San Diego Rotary Foundation BID BIG! Auction!

Thursday, December 5th • 11:00 am • Liberty Station Conference Center

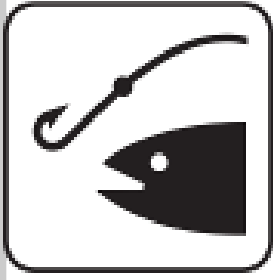
Great Auction Items including trips, hotel stays, theatre and sporting tickets, family oriented packages, excellent wine and so much more!

And remember, your support for this year's BID BIG! Auction will directly impact those who need us in the community!

For more information or to provide an item to support Rotary's work in the community – Please contact Auction Chair, Kimberley Layton at (858) 232-0650 or Mary Radovan in the Rotary Office at (619) 299-3309.

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CLUB 33 FISHING TRIP



Next year, the annual Rotary Fishing Trip will again be on the Custom Long Range vessel SEARCHER, located at Fisherman's Landing in Point Loma. It will be a 1.5 Day Trip, leaving at 5 pm on Wednesday, September 2nd, Fishing all day on Thursday, September 3rd, and returning on Friday, September 4th about 7am. The cost will be \$520.00, which includes everything except any beer or sodas and tips.

We have been having excellent fishing on these trips, catching Bluefin and Yellowfin tuna, Yellow Tail and Dorado on kelps. And the weather is mostly good in September. Currently, there are 26 vacancies on this trip, but it will fill up fast, as it is a Let's Talk Hook Up sponsored trip, and there will be lots of raffle prizes and giveaways. So call the Searcher office at (619) 226-2403, or go online at: Searchersportfishing.com, or call Fisherman's Landing at: (619) 221-8500 and tell them you want to book Searcher 1.5

Day Let's Talk Hook Up Trip #20 in 2020. Hope to see you all next year!

Bob Fletcher, Chair, Rotary Fishing Trip

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest member to the club:



Dan Schneiderman—"Law-Litigation Practice, A.A." Dan is a Partner at Witan Law Group LLP. He is a business litigator and trial attorney for companies and individuals involved in commercial, real estate and personal injury disputes.

Dan graduated from UC Santa Barbara and UC Davis School of Law. He moved to San Diego in February 2018 and considers himself a "wanna-be writer."

Steve Coopersmith, David Oates and **Frank Caperino** were his sponsors.

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CLUB 33 SOCIAL HOUR

Thanks to all who joined us at Luce Bar & Kitchen on Oct 16. Stay tuned for details on our November meeting place.



(Left) Pat Crowell, Norbert Sanders, **Chris Christopher**; (center) **Kevin Popovic**, Jenni Prisk, **Rob Fletcher**, Phil Blair; (right) Phil with President David and **Michael Gordon**.

FACES IN OUR CROWD

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor



(Left) Peace Committee Co-Chair Julia Holladay and President David with this year's Peace Award recipients: Clay Kilpatrick and Angela Troska from the San Diego LGBT Pride Military Contingent and Bill Lawrence and John Morrell from the San Diego History Center; (right) Jenni Prisk, former chair of our Peace Committee, started the Peace Awards six years ago.



(Left) Past President Chuck Pretto received the Club's formal nomination for the 2022-23 District Governor run; (right) Steve Coopersmith, new member Dan Schneiderman and President David.



(Left) Peter MacLaggan opened our meeting with his Inspirational Moment; (right) guest speaker Scott Brunner.