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# The Match King

**Editor: Geri Warnke** Looking, as always, Presidential in these waning days of his reign, **Pres Stan** brought his kingdom to order by welcoming all and introducing **Chandini Flinn** for some inspiring comments. Noting that she was born in India, she gave us thoughts from the wisdom of Mahatma Gandhi. **Ed Glazener** led us in song with **Joe Zakowski's** piano virtuosity on display. **Bert Wahlen** delivered the news with a zinger to take the bite out of the sad... "The economy is so bad that the Mafia is letting off Judges". **Susan Basinger** introduced the San Diego High School students visiting today. Always eloquent **Cheryl Wilson** shared with us the seniors that were dining with us today and commented on their individual life stories. Beaming happily, President Stan called to the podium both **Shandon Harbour** and **Jen Martino** to exchange their respective red badges to blue. Rumor has it that they are Rotary Twins separated at birth, but clearly they have unique talents... and that our President is in love with both of them.

**Sheryl Bilbrey** had the honor of introducing **Lisa Bruner** as a new member. She is the Executive Director of the Alzheimer Association that educates and gives support to the community on this deadly disease. **Bob Russell** had fun introducing **Greg Pyke** as our newest attorney/member sharing with us the good news that Greg is a member of the Hartley family. We expect great things, Greg!

A very surprised **Greg Zinser** made his way to the podium to accept

his Rotarian of the Quarter honor. Greg has given quietly in so many ways to this club, and we celebrated his efforts today. Congratulations, Greg! **Leane Marchese** encouraged us to strap on our pedometers (or at the least our walking shoes) and head to Mission Bay this Saturday morning for some fun, fellowship and exercise. **Patti Roscoe** was honored for her magnanimous gift to SDSU that endows a professorship in the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management. She is the first female in 100 years to make such a gift. Patti helped to found this Department many years ago and has been a strong advocate for educating future leaders in this field.

COD **Tyler Cramer** called Frank Partnoy, law professor at USD, to the podium, for a most informative and timely discourse about the history of Wall Street scandals and schemes. He has just written a book, "The Match King," a thriller involving the 1920's financier Ivar Kreuger. He brought to NYC from Europe his promises of high fiscal returns during a time of profound instability in the markets. B. Madoff must have taken lessons from this master. Frank's intriguing and fascinating talk about investors and their abilities to ignore warning signs of criminality/fraud in the market place was illustrative of many current problems. It is clear that what goes around, comes around....even 70 years later!

**Your Editor's reminder:** "The Roast" is 5 weeks away ...and the Roast Committee suggests you not miss poking some fun at President Stan as well as applauding his tenure!

## NEXT MEETING

Thursday

May 28, 2009

Sheraton West

Bel Aire Ballroom

*"Aging—the Growth Industry"*

**Pam Smith**

**Aging & Independent Services  
County of San Diego**

Is the graying of America—and San Diego—the coming of the great demographic Tsunami or an opportunity for great Renaissance? How do we influence which it will be in San Diego? What impact will the largest senior population in history have on business, government and families? San Diego County Aging & Independence Services has been recognized as a national model in strategic planning and delivery of services for this growing population. The best way to predict the future is to create it.



Chair of the Day  
**Leane Marchese**

## QUICK BITS

### OFFICE CLOSED

The Club 33 Office will be closed for the Memorial Day Weekend Holiday from 4:30 PM Friday, May 22 until 8 AM Tuesday, May 26.

### ROSTER USE POLICY

Please remember the Roster, **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES**, is to be used by Rotarians and non-Rotarians for commercial purposes, including business, charitable and political solicitations.

### AVAILABLE PERSONNEL

We have posted a list of Club 33 members who are looking for their next career opportunity. Please visit the News section on [www.rotary33.org](http://www.rotary33.org) if you can help.

### ROSTER DEADLINE

The final deadline for Roster ads, Roster updates and Committee sign-up forms is May 29. Please send your information to the Office. Thank you.

### Please Welcome...

**Greg Pyke**, classification "Law – Business Practice, A. A.", was introduced by **Bob Russell**, his sponsor. Greg is a partner of Best Best & Krieger, LLP, a firm that practices in the business and real estate transaction fields. His wife of 32 years is Janice and they have lived in San Diego for 30 years. Golf, tennis and skiing are among Greg's hobbies. **John Morrell** and **Steve Treadgold** are his secondary sponsors.  
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## THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS



By **Bruce A. Hunt**  
Executive Director

### Did you know...?

**That** you can find out about the new members introduced to Club 33 during the year by looking at the New Members in the

Membership section of [www.rotary33.org](http://www.rotary33.org)? Pictures and personal information are included.

**That** the Calendar section of [www.rotary33.org](http://www.rotary33.org) lists future club programs and club events plus the locations? We include details about the speakers as soon as we have the information.

**That** the Office is putting the final touches on the 2009-10 Club 33 Roster? We want to pass the Roster out to as many members as possible at the July 2 Change of Command meeting.

**That** we are really close to hitting our goal of introducing 40 new members to the club during **President Stan's** year? **Bink Cook's** Membership Committee has been working continuously since July 2008 to ensure a full pipeline of quality candidates for Club 33.

**That** the Project Allocation Committee is reviewing almost 30 club grant requests to determine how to distribute the \$161,500 it has available for 2009-10? That's a lot of good work.

**That** the 2008-09 and 2009-10 Board Directors are meeting Saturday, May 30 to facilitate a successful transfer of responsibility for club governance? **Thought so!**

### MAINLY MOZART FESTIVAL

June 6 - 20, 2009 at the Balboa Theatre

Featuring the West Coast Premiere of John William's *Air and Simple Gifts* performed at President Obama's inauguration!

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## CALENDAR

### JUNE

**4** **Dan Walters**  
*Sacramento Bee*  
*Sheraton West*

**11** **Azim Khamisa**  
*Sheraton East*

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**May 28**

**PR/Marketing**  
Del Mar Room

**Senior Services**  
Bel Aire Ballroom

## BIRTHDAYS

Jim Brown	May 26
Mort Jorgensen	26
T.D. Rolf	26
Mike Meaney	26
Judy McDonald	26
Ray McKewon	27
Bob Jacobs	29
Cliff Myers	31
Ray Ellis	31

### Please Welcome...

**Lisa Bruner**, classification "Health Services – Alzheimer's Association," was introduced by **Sheryl Bilbrey**, her sponsor. Lisa is the Executive Director of the San Diego/Imperial Chapter that provides education and support to people who have Alzheimer's disease and to their families and caretakers. She and her husband, Michael, have four teenagers, Michelle, John, David and Chris. **Bink Cook** and **Doug Sawyer** are her secondary sponsors.  
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# FACES IN THE CROWD AT THE CLUB 33 MEETING



*Leane Marchese*



*New member Lisa Bruner*



*Chandini Flinn*



*President Stan & new member Greg Pyke*



*Patti Roscoe*



*Amnon Ben-Yehuda, Joe Austin, Susan Basinger, Wes Wilmers & John Wertz with San Diego High students*



*Shandon Harbour, Stan Hartman & Jen Martino*



*Stan Hartman & Greg Zinser*



*Guest speaker Frank Partnoy*