

News Summary



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Tribute to Women & Industry (TWIN)

Luncheon honors outstanding women and their companies

The YWCA of San Diego County is hosting its 32nd annual Tribute to Women & Industry (TWIN) Recognition Luncheon from noon to 1:30 p.m. on June 21, in the Grande Ballroom of the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina. The event recognizes outstanding women professionals and the companies who support them, while also raising much-needed funds for the YWCA's programs and services that support women, children, and families who are working to break the cycle of domestic violence and homelessness.

This year's keynote speaker is Linda Armstrong Kelly, motivational

speaker, author and Mother of seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong. Individual Tickets cost \$150 and Tables of (8) cost \$1,500 and can be purchased by calling Carol Ann Chambers at (619) 239-0355, Ext. 218. For more information, visit ywcсандiego.org.

The 2011 honorees:

Claudia F. Anzures
County of San Diego



Chief Deputy County Counsel

Claudia F. Anzures is the chief deputy county counsel for the county of San Diego and is responsible for managing attorneys who provide daily advice on legal issues related to land use, public works, contracting, leasing, construction and many other areas. Anzures personally advises the Board of Supervisors on all items appearing on its land use agenda. She is also the lead attorney on the current comprehensive general plan update, and one of her many achievements in this role has been her ability to distill complex legal concepts

into very clear statements that were easily understood by all those involved in the project. Anzures is also recognized throughout the state for her expertise in all aspects of the Endangered Species Act.

The County of San Diego provides health and social services and regional public safety programs to all 3 million residents of San Diego County and municipal services to the county's unincorporated areas.

Susan Beat
Union Bank, N.A.



Senior Vice President & Manager, Commercial Treasury Services

Susan Beat is the senior vice president and manager within Commercial Treasury Services at Union Bank. Beat is responsible for managing the deposit and treasury services strategy to corporate and middle market companies located in the Orange County and San Diego region. Beat's team, in conjunction with commercial banking relationship managers, manages over \$1 billion in customer deposits in both regions. Beat provides strong directional guidance and passion to create excellent results in her work. In her spare time, Beat is a board member for the San Diego chapter of the Arthritis Foundation and donates her time to Promises2Kids, an organization that focuses on child abuse prevention.

Union Bank N.A. is among the 25 largest banks in the U.S., based on assets. It is a full-service commercial bank providing a broad mix of financial services for both consumers and businesses.

Christine Collins
*Sempra Pipelines & Storage
 Director, Human Resources*



Christine Collins is responsible for leading and managing the employee relations, staffing and organizational design and development functions within Sempra Pipelines & Storage's business unit. Collins is also responsible for directing employee/ leadership development, diversity, organization development, performance improvement consulting, strategic workforce planning, performance management and career development for Sempra Pipelines & Storage's business unit. Collins is an active member and advocate of the Employee Diversity Council. Collins formerly served on the board of directors for the San Diego Children's Choir, was a volunteer trainer for HR programs with Non-Profit Management Solutions.

Sempra Pipelines & Storage owns and operates natural gas transmission pipelines and distribution companies in the U.S. and Mexico, with further development of strategically located storage facilities. Additionally, it owns two electric utilities in South America.

Shawn A. Covell
Qualcomm



Vice President, Wireless Reach, Government Affairs
 Shawn Covell leads Qualcomm's global Wireless Reach initiative, a strategic program that brings wireless technology to underserved communities around the world. The goal of Wireless Reach is to create projects that are sustainable, align with the company's business objectives and strengthen economic and social development in communities. Covell took a few disparate projects and built what Wireless Reach is today — a strategic business initiative that is supported by Qualcomm executives. Covell hired a team of mostly women and encouraged them to execute their ideas. Covell believes in mentoring and giving her team the opportunity to shine. She coaches women on her team on how to be excellent and supportive managers who are open to new responsibilities.

Qualcomm Inc. is the world leader in next-generation mobile technologies. For 25 years, Qualcomm ideas and inventions have driven the evolution of wireless communications, connecting people more closely to information, entertainment and one another.

Emily Cutrer
*California State University San Marcos
 Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs*



Emily Cutrer is the provost and vice president of academic affairs for California State University San Marcos. As the university's chief academic officer, Cutrer is responsible for ensuring the integrity and excellence of academic activities, as well as for providing guidance and support to the deans of the colleges, extended learning, graduate studies, instructional and information technology, the library, the director of the School of Nursing and the academic associate vice presidents. Since joining CSU San Marcos in 2006, Cutrer has overseen the

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beginning of a major restructuring of the Academic Affairs Division moving from three colleges and one school to four colleges. Due to Cutrer's dedication and leadership, CSU San Marcos has seen an upward trend in retention and graduation rates.

Since its founding over two decades ago, California State University San Marcos has prided itself on being fully engaged in the community, technologically sophisticated, and dedicated to teaching future generations through a relevant curriculum with a global perspective.

Shannon Elwell

*Oracle Corporation
 Senior Director*

Shannon Elwell is a key marketing and strategy leader in Oracle Corp.'s Systems Division, developing successful global product strategies. In her role as senior director of product management, Elwell leads a team responsible for strategy and delivery of a \$2 billion+ server business. On an annual basis, Elwell's team is responsible for launching, reinventing and growing new business and products by consistently delivering new strategic approaches, innovative marketing, brand-building and new product development. Elwell's 15-year career at Oracle is highlighted by many outstanding accomplishments including, most recently, her ability to re-define the pricing and compensation models for all of the hardware systems group.

Oracle Corp. delivers the world's most complete, open, and integrated business software and hardware. Oracle Corp. can be found on the Web at oracle.com.

Pat Evans

*San Diego Convention Center Corporation
 Assistant to President & CEO*

Pat Evans is the assistant to the president and CEO of the San Diego Convention Center Corp. Although she has held her current position for nearly four years, Evans started in the corporation's legal department almost 10 years ago. Evans works closely with the board of directors and she is always willing to help other administrative professionals in the corporation with skill and professional development. Evans is an extremely capable and conscientious contributor to the entire corporation, and she is known for her incredibly quick wit and her outstanding confidence. Evans serves as the president of the San Diego chapter for Executive Women International (EWI), an international nonprofit organization.

The San Diego Convention Center Corp. exists to generate economic benefits for the greater San Diego region. It has generated over \$18 billion in economic impact since 1989 and continues to support about 12,500 jobs countywide.

Lara Garner

*Fish & Richardson
 Associate*

Lara Garner is a senior associate and a valuable member of Fish & Richardson's intellectual property and patent litigation team. In her role as a litigation associate, Garner manages complex matters involving highly technical issues. Drawing on her background as a mechanical designer before attending law school, Garner takes part in developing litigation strategies, interviewing and preparing experts,

supervising other members of the litigation team, including junior associates and paralegals, and making significant contributions in every aspect of running a litigation matter from pre-lawsuit preparation through post trial motions and beyond. Garner has served as chairperson of Fish's Litigation Associates Advisory Committee.

Fish & Richardson is an intellectual property, technology and litigation law firm. In its nearly 133 years, Fish has left a distinctive footprint by creating technology history and serving the innovators of today and tomorrow.

Graciela S. Gilbert

*Sempra Pipelines & Storage
 Foreign Investments Accounting Manager*

Graciela Gilbert is the foreign investments accounting manager for Sempra Pipelines & Storage. She manages a team responsible for the accounting oversight of foreign investments located in Mexico, Chile and Peru. She is responsible for financial statements compliance of foreign holding companies located in the Netherlands, Spain, Denmark and Switzerland. Gilbert is a member of the board of South American Entities. Gilbert also led the implementation of the processes necessary to consolidate the financial information in connection with Sempra Pipelines & Storage's recent acquisition of additional stakes in electric distribution companies located in Chile and Peru. Sempra Pipelines & Storage owns and operates natural gas transmission pipelines and distribution companies in the U.S. and Mexico. It owns two electric utilities in South America.



Latasha Gillespie

*Solar Turbines Incorporated
 Human Resources Manager*

Latasha Gillespie manages human resources for the Turbomachinery Products Group, I.T., and Finance. Prior to this, Gillespie served as the central human resources manager overseeing compensation and benefits for over three years. Gillespie provided excellent leadership for Solar Turbines Diversity Council over the past few years, moving many initiatives and the overall structure forward, including the formation of multiple teams to include: professional women engineers; K-12 education; college recruiting; and the college relations strategy. Gillespie also led the implementation of significant changes which involved communications and change management. Gillespie serves on the Minority Advisory Committee for Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Solar Turbines Inc. is a world leader in design, manufacture and service of industrial gas turbine engines in its size range.



Janice Graham

*County of San Diego
 Chief of Staff to the Chief Administrative Officer*

Janice Graham serves as the chief of staff to the Chief Administrative Officer of the county of San Diego. Reporting directly to CAO Walter F. Ekard, Janice works closely with the county's executive team to implement policies directed by the Board of Supervisors and coordinates the day-to-day operations and functions of the Chief Administrative Office. Graham has over 28 years of experience in local government, public relations and legislative affairs. Graham has been instrumental in developing and implementing a number of key business processes, policies and initiatives that make the county of San Diego a fiscally



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Stacy Lombardo

Torrey Pines Bank

Senior Vice President, Director of Operations

Stacy Lombardo is a senior vice president and director of operations for Torrey Pines Bank. Lombardo is responsible for the strategic oversight of the bank's operating procedures, as well as for advising the bank's executive management team on issues that affect the bank's ability to operate soundly. These duties encompass supporting the bank's operations throughout California, as well as coordinating with affiliate banks in Arizona and Nevada. With over 20 years of banking experience and expertise, Lombardo was an integral part of the bank's 2003 management team responsible for launching a new financial institution. She provides oversight and leadership to a team of over 75 employees.

Torrey Pines Bank is a California-chartered commercial bank, providing commercial and financial services to small and middle market businesses and personal banking services.



Jacque Martin

Connected Women of Influence

Account Executive, Adcentive Group

Jacque Martin is an account executive with Adcentive Group, a division of Brown & Bigelow. As Account Executive, Martin takes a consultative approach in working with companies, large agencies and organizations to create unique branded items through logo and promotional products. As a top producer, Martin achieved Eagle status with Adcentive Group in January 2011. Martin joined Connected Women of Influence as a charter member in July, 2008. In July 2010, Martin was appointed to serve on the advisory board of Connected Women of Influence. Martin's community and civic activities are extensive as are her leadership roles in associations and organizations. For six years, Martin served on the Oceanside Chamber of Commerce.

Connected Women of Influence is an exclusive, private membership organization dedicated to the advancement and support of business-to-business executive and professional women.



Sandra McCullough

Sharp HealthCare

Vice President, Patient Care Information Systems

Sandra McCullough is the vice president of patient care systems in the Information Systems department at Sharp HealthCare. McCullough began her career at Sharp 27 years ago in 1981 as a registered nurse. McCullough is responsible for Sharp's clinical information systems. McCullough led the effort to implement the Cerner electronic medical records system throughout Sharp's seven hospitals. There are few health systems that have completed the journey to an electronic medical records system, and the success of Sharp HealthCare in this area can be directly attributed to McCullough's efforts. McCullough is an active member of the San Diego Organization for Healthcare Leaders.

Sharp HealthCare is a nonprofit integrated regional health care delivery system based in San Diego.



Susan Mitchell

Sweetwater Union High School District

Executive Director, Middle Schools

Susan Mitchell's primary job responsibilities as the executive director of middle schools for the Sweetwater Union High School District include district-wide leadership in planning and improving the instructional program in all classrooms; bilingual cross-cultural curriculum development; coordinating with administrators, teachers and parent groups in the development of a comprehensive educational plan so that all students can achieve; as well as leadership in the arrangement of scheduling of professional development opportunities for teachers. Mitchell believes that every student can learn if they are given the right amount of time and support.

Award-winning programs and student excellence are the hallmarks of the Sweetwater Union High School District.



Michelle M. Mueller

San Diego Gas & Electric

Vice President, External Affairs

As vice president of external affairs for SDG&E, Michelle M. Mueller provides direction and oversight for the management of regional public affairs, community relations, charitable contributions and media and employee communications. Mueller and her volunteer teams have raised over \$100,000 for employee-directed nonprofits. Mueller is part of an employee team that goes out across the company to educate employees on skin cancer prevention, identification and treatment. The team was recognized with a top company safety award. Mueller mentors employees at a wide variety of levels in the company, "paying it forward" from those who have coached her in the past. SDG&E provides safe and reliable energy service to 3.5 million consumers in San Diego and southern Orange counties.



Paige Norris

NBC San Diego

Director of Human Resources

Paige Norris' main responsibilities at NBC San Diego are to drive key human resources initiatives across the organization, including staffing, performance management, compensation planning, succession planning, training and development, rewards and recognition, organizational effectiveness, employee relations and communication. Norris has provided strategic Human Resources leadership in recent years by collaborating with employees to align resources, enact growth strategies and enable a positive and diverse workforce. Norris is an active member in the Society for Human Resource Management and the American Society for Training and Development. NBC San Diego produces local news and information, as well as the most visited broadcast station Eebsite, NBCSanDiego.com.



Virginia S. Oliver

Sempra Energy

Director, Financial Reporting

Virginia S. Oliver manages a department of 12, mostly CPAs, in the annual and quarterly periodic Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) reporting process for four separate registrants, including the monthly consolidation of financial information for all business units. Oliver leads the team that brings to completion Sempra Energy's financial statement filings with the SEC, which is critical to the