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Brian Curtis – A Primer & Future Of Microgrids

CEO and founder Brian Curtis has over 20 years of engineering, finance and strategic management experience in energy and high growth technology industries. Brian founded Concentric Power in 2011 to create sustainable infrastructure and energy independence for companies and communities.

Raised in California's Salinas Valley, Brian has a deep understanding of how agricultural innovations have evolved and must continue to do so with sustainable, energy-efficient

solutions. At Concentric Power, Brian leads company strategy, technology and product roadmaps, and project development.

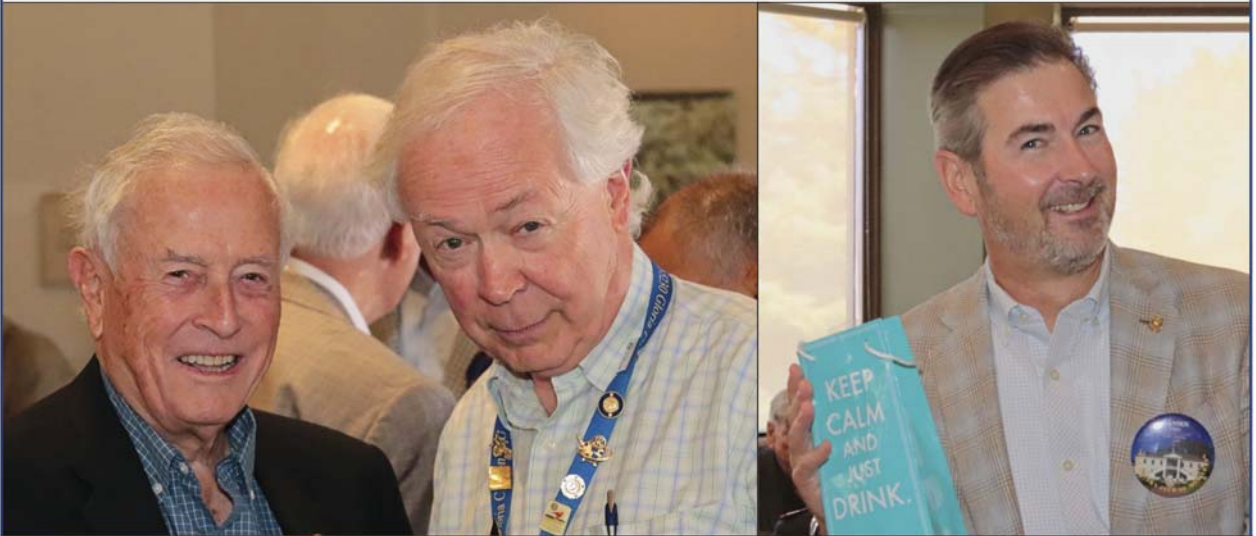
Brian has spent his career in and out of power plants and processing facilities for the energy and food industries. He spent five years in China building an ammonia processing plant and acted as plant general manager to launch the business and product line. He was also a venture partner and entrepreneur-in-residence with two local Chinese venture capital firms where he oversaw clean energy investment strategies, contributing to \$1.35 billion raised. When returning to the U.S., Brian joined the U.S. Department of Energy where he worked within the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) Group, along with several clean energy startups.

Brian started his career as a power plant design engineer at the power plant on campus at the University of California, Los Angeles and further honed his mechanical systems design skills as a refinery engineer for Chevron. Concentric Power is Brian's second start-up; the first was a software technology company that was acquired.

Brian currently serves on the board of directors for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Entrepreneurship Competition, where he was the lead organizer as an MBA student. The “MIT \$100K” is a year-long competition and the largest student-led organization at MIT.

Brian holds a B.S. in mechanical engineering from UCLA, with an emphasis in electro-mechanical systems design and control, and an MBA from MIT.

Brian lives in Carmel Valley with his wife and two children.



CLUB EVENTS

Friday, August 26
Final Friday

Hosted by Seaside Rotary Club
5:30 PM
Other Brother Beer
877 Broadway Avenue, Seaside

Thursday, September 15

Board Meeting
10:30 AM
Hilton Garden Inn

Tuesday, September 27

COG Meeting
5:30 AM
Hilton Garden Inn

Tatum's Treehouse – A Playground for ALL Children
Supported by Rotary Clubs of the Monterey Peninsula
September 17, 2022

Hidden Valley Music Center, 104 Carmel Valley Road; 5PM-9PM

Johnny Cash Tribute Concert and Live Auction

Concert Tickets (great venue) – \$45

VIP Seating, dinner, glass of wine – \$125

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Rob Slawinski – 408-505-0708 (Carmel Sunset)

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SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2022

Thursday – 09/01 Mike Casey – The Bridge Program And The Opioid Crisis

Thursday – 09/08 Eric Johnsen – Homelessness In Monterey County

Thursday – 09/15 Board Meeting – 10:30 AM – Hilton Garden Inn

Thursday – 09/15 COG Bios

Thursday – 09/22 Erik Lassen – How To Build A Hybrid Rocket Motor –
And Park It In The Smithsonian

Tuesday – 09/27 COG Meeting – 5:30 PM – Hilton Garden Inn

Thursday – 09/29 David Laws – Secret Monterey: A Guide To The Weird,
Wonderful, And Obscure

Thursday – 10/06 Dave Stoldt – Water On The Monterey Peninsula

Thursday – 10/13 Carla Bitter – Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History

Thursday – 10/20 Board Meeting – 10:30 AM – Hilton Garden Inn

Thursday – 10/20 Gunner Sepp – TBD

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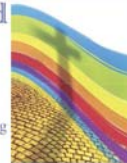
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