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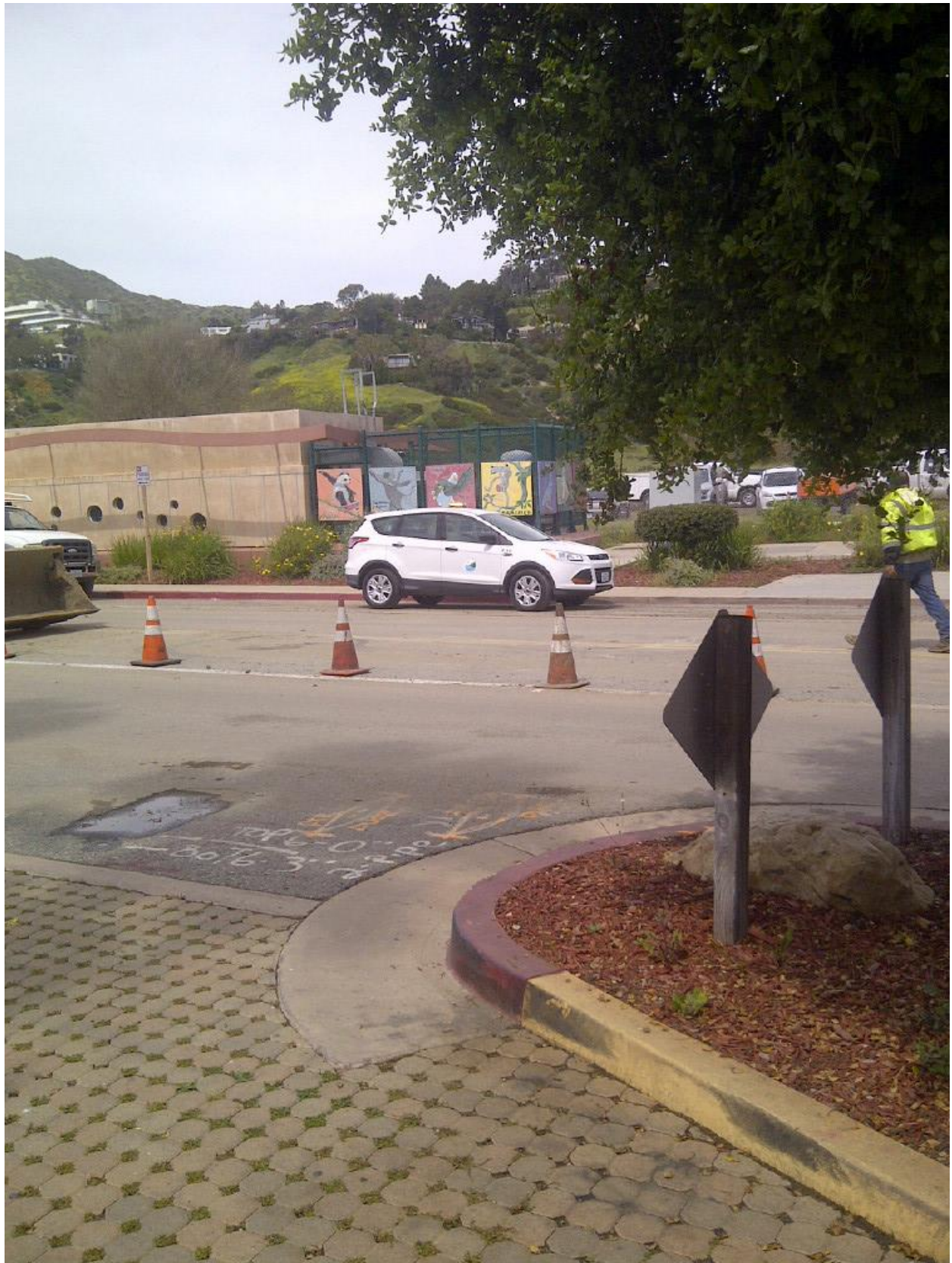
Malibu City Manager Reva Feldman Gives Update on the City of Malibu.



Rita Feldman appointed as Malibu Assistant City Manager in 2005 and has been the City Manager since May, 2016. She has lived in Malibu for years, in the Sunset Mesa area. She was the featured speaker at the March 22 meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club, giving Rotarians and guests an insight into what is going on in the city.

She had more to say than there was time for. She touched on the most obvious issues—the centralized waste water sewer project and the traffic and costs it will mean for the community, building new middle school building, organization of City, Ridge Dam Removal, “Sanctuary City” declaration by the Sheriff’s department, how everyone can get “E-Notification” on Malibu City website (malibucity.org).

Although Malibu became a city in 1991 largely because people did not want to be forced into a public sewer system we all know how that issue turned out. Even after the City of Malibu with the help of public and private funds built Legacy Park and Civic Center Stormwater Runoff Plant which filters and recycles water before it goes into Malibu Creek and Malibu Lagoon, certain agencies have said that the quality of the water in the Creek in Lagoon is isn’t good because of septic systems in the Malibu basin. Scientists that the city hired believe the pollution in the creek and lagoon is not due to what is getting into the creek from Malibu, but rather what’s going into the creek from further upstream before it gets to Malibu.



The Water Runoff Treatment Plant on the corner of Civic Center Way and Webb Way in Malibu is capable of capturing up to 2.6 million gallons per day of stormwater and urban runoff for treatment and disinfection. The clean stormwater is then reused for irrigation of the park.



The Malibu Legacy Park Project is the centerpiece of the City's \$50 million commitment to improving ocean water quality and improving public health. A multi-benefit project for the

environment and the community, Legacy Park addresses critical issues, including bacteria reduction in stormwater treatment, restoration / development of riparian habitats, and the development of an open space area for passive recreation and environmental education.

Legacy Park is located in the Civic Center area of Malibu, directly adjacent to significant natural resources, a location which is a point of interest to various regulatory agencies, environmental groups and the citizens because of the unique opportunity to simultaneously improve water quality, restore native riparian habitat, and preserve open space.

Created with funding from the City, grants, and \$2.5 million in private contributions from the Malibu community, the \$35 million project transformed 15 acres in the heart of Malibu into a central park that is one of the most ambitious and innovative stormwater and urban runoff projects in California. This state-of-the-art project is an environmental cleaning machine capable of capturing up to 2.6 million gallons per day of stormwater and urban runoff for treatment and disinfection. The clean stormwater is then reused for irrigation of the park.

The creation of Legacy Park also restored and developed important native coastal habitats, while creating open space for passive recreation and environmental education. It offers a living learning center, informational kiosks, an outdoor classroom, a cultural interpretive center, and numerous other features to provide information and education about flora and fauna along the Southern California coast.

Reva told us that although Legacy Park has been successful treating rainwater runoff and recycling to irrigate the park prior to the drought there had been a problem growing the vegetation in the park, not because there wasn't enough water but because of the high salt content of the soil. The recent rain has helped this situation.

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The Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility Project



Trenches dug 20 feet down like this one on Civic Center Way at the edge of Lagacy Park will be tunneled and connected from the treatment plant on Civic Center Way near de Ville Way and connect with similar ones on Cross Creek Road.

Project

Overview

The Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility (CCWTF) Project (Project) includes development of a centralized wastewater treatment facility in the Malibu Civic Center area that will treat, reuse, and/or dispose of wastewater flows from properties in the Civic Center. The Project is in response to regulatory actions taken by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board and the State Water Resources Control Board to prohibit discharges from onsite wastewater discharge systems (OWDS) in the Civic Center area, and to ban new OWDS, based on a phased schedule.

Traffic

Updates

Lane closures required for construction safety will be posted here regularly to advise motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians of potential traffic impacts that may affect their commute through the project area.

Cross Creek Rd. - March 20 - End of April, 2017

From Monday, March 20 until the end of April, all of Cross Creek Rd. will be reduced to one southbound lane 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM with flaggers directing traffic. There will be no access from PCH onto northbound Cross Creek Rd. Detours will allow motorists to access Cross Creek Rd. and the shopping centers from Webb Way/Civic Center Way. Detour signs will be posted.

Below: Currently there is no parking on Cross Creek Road from 7:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. while this phase of the sewer project is being completed.



Webb	Way	&	PCH	-	Starts	Mid-September
Starting mid-September 2016, tunneling work will take place on Webb Way, between PCH and Civic Center Way, reducing that section of Webb Way to one lane in each direction. Motorists will still be able to turn right or left, and proceed straight through the intersection. No lanes will be closed on PCH.						

Construction Update

Construction is well under way on Malibu's Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility. Work started in August 2016 on the concrete structures of the main treatment plant, and will continue for the next several months. Work is underway on the pipeline network and pump stations.

The construction work will have some impact on local traffic, and the City is working closely with the contractor to minimize the impact wherever possible. The City will continue to send out traffic alerts and post construction traffic updates on this page. To receive traffic advisories directly to your cellphone or email, visit www.MalibuCity.org/News, and select "Traffic Alerts."

There are 3 phases to this project. Phase 1 is supposed to take 1 year and after the trenching and tunneling is done 55 parcels in the Civic Center area will taken off their current septic systems and connected to the functioning sewer system in September 2018.

Other City News

The Malibu City Council meets twice per month at Malibu City Hall, located at 23825 Stuart Ranch Road.

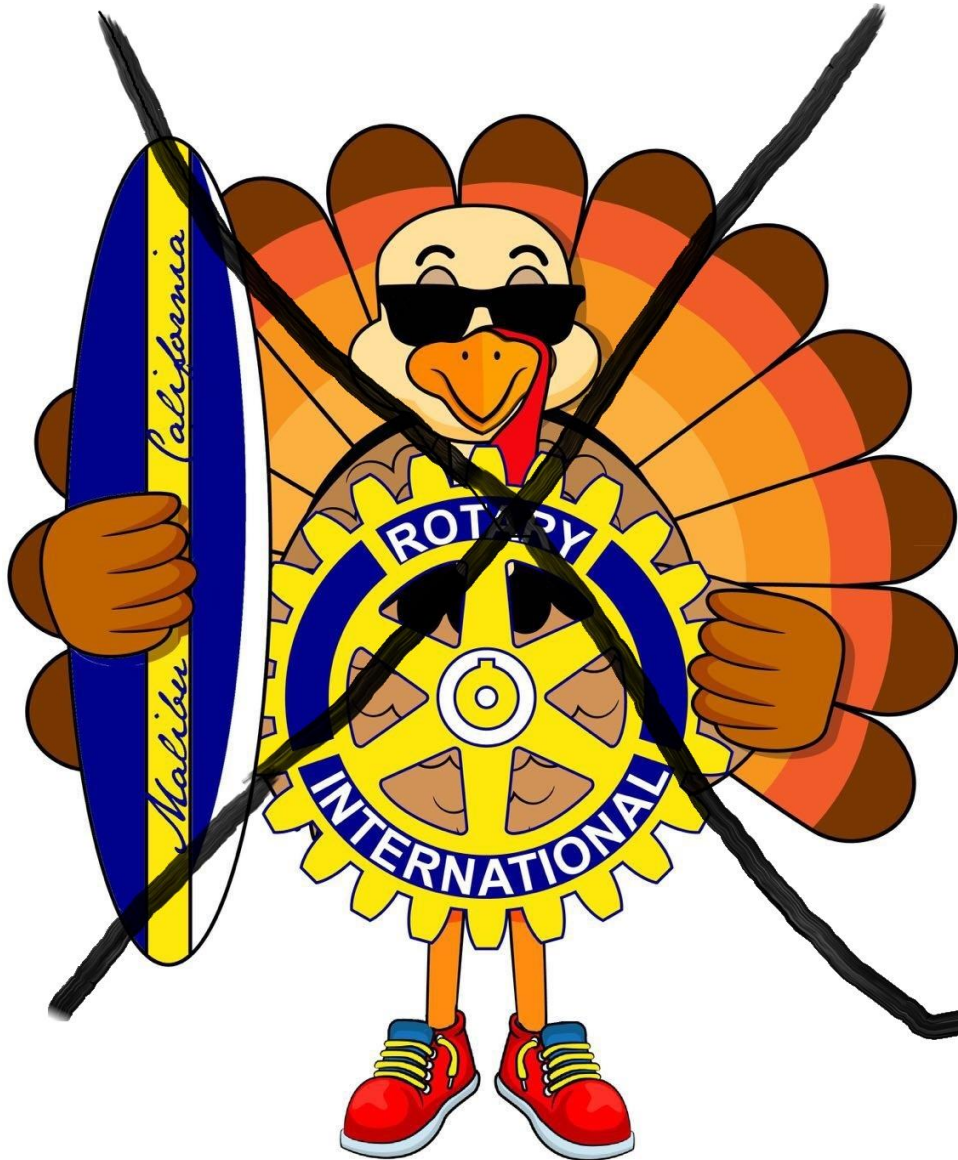
The times and agendas of meetings are on the Malibu City website Malibucity.org. The Malibu City Manager is charge of city staff of 75 people. Malibu is contract city for many of its services such as police and fire. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is the police force for Malibu, being headquartered at the Lost Hills Station. The construction of a satellite campus for Santa Monica College at the site of the old Malibu Sheriff's station is supposed to include a a new sheriff's substation. The old Sheriff's building will be demolished. Demolition and construction will begin at the end of June 2017. Because of this construction the Sunday Farmers market and the summer Malibu Arts Festival may be in jeopardy of not happening this year.

A new Malibu Middle School building will be built because of the PCB problems with previous building.

An issue that the city may have to deal with is the removal of Rindge Dam. Environmentalists want the dam removed so the native steelhead fish can go upstream and mate. Removing the dam will unboundedly cause a set of problems—increased traffic because the trucks, releasing all the silt that has build up behind the dam.

A question was brought up about Malibu being a “Sanctuary City.” This had to do with whether the Sheriff will actively assist the federal government in capturing illegal immigrants. The Sheriff sets it own policy on this. Although the City Council supports the decision of the sheriff but because the sheriff sets the policy the city councils declaration of being a sanctuary city was not something that members of the council could control

**With the Possibility of Malibu Turkey Trot Scrapped Erica MacVittie offers
Malibu Rotary Club Sponsorship of Malibu 5K Run**



Margo Neal and Bianca Torrence had met with the city of Malibu Parks and Rec. and found out the City only allows 2 road races per year (they already have the Nautica triathlon and the 1/2 marathon). Bianca contacted Los Angeles County Beaches and Harbor Department to find out if it was possible to hold a run in the parking lot and found out they do not allow any event there other than parking and they do not issue any permits on National Holidays such as the one we had planned to do Thanksgiving morning.



Erica MacVittle has a Master's degree in Management Engineering from the Università degli Studi di Roma, Tor Vergata, in Rome, Italy.

She is the Race Director and part-owner of the Malibu Race Series LLC. The Malibu Race Series

organizes the Malibu Half-Marathon & 5K event, which occurs annually along the coastline of Malibu. [www.malibumarathon.com].

Her responsibilities range from overseeing brand development, project management, advertisement and marketing [Facebook, Twitter and Instagram], grassroots outreach, sponsorship development, securing event permits & event production. . She had given the Rotary Club a presentation on January 25 about what she does in putting on races in Malibu and how she could assist the Malibu Rotary Club in sponsoring a race. We learned how complex and costly this is.

At the Malibu Rotary Club meeting on March 22 Erica was back to offer the Malibu Rotary the major title sponsorship of the 5 K Malibu Run which happens the same day as the Malibu Half Marathon on November 5, 2017. If the Malibu Rotary Club sponsored it the run would be called the Malibu Rotary Club 5 K Run..

Erica's offer for sponsorship comes at a cost of \$15,000 to the Rotary Club. She would give the Rotary Club 5% of the revenue from people who sign-up for race. Last year 400 people signed up, but she is expecting 1000 people this year. Early registration for the event is \$50.00 without shirt and \$59.00 with shirt. The registration price goes up closer to the day of the race. For the price she would do her normal race production (.advertisement and marketing [Facebook, Twitter and Instagram], grassroots outreach, sponsorship development, securing event permits & event production).

The Malibu Rotary Club is planning a board meeting March 29 following our regular where this will be discussed.



\$3,300 Fire Academy Scholarship from Malibu Rotary

The Malibu Rotary Club will award a \$3,300 scholarship to a student enrolled in any fire academy in Los Angeles County, CA.

The \$3,300 will be paid directly to the Fire Academy, in the student's name to pay for the student's tuition, fees, etc.

The funds will not be written directly to the student.

In order to apply, students must email Malibu Rotary Club (at MalibuRotaryScholarship@gmail.com) a 60-90 second video explaining :

- (1) Why they want to be a firefighter, and
- (2) How winning the \$3,300 scholarship would positively impact their life.

Additionally, the fire academy student must email the Malibu Rotary Club:

- (1) Student's name
- (2) Student's phone number
- (3) Name of the Fire Academy they are enrolled in
- (4) Address of the Fire Academy they are enrolled in

The Deadline to apply is Midnight on Sunday, April 16, 2017. NO MORE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED STARTING AT 12:01 A.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 17.

Each e-mailed application received will receive a confirmation reply e-mail. If the student does not receive a confirmation e-mail within 3 days assume it has not been received by the Malibu Rotary Club.

Winner will be notified by April 30, 2017

For questions, please email Malibu Rotary Club at MalibuRotaryScholarship@gmail.com

.0Memorial for Fred Cornett (1924-2017)



Fred Cornett joined the Malibu Rotary Club 1986, about the time he retired from Santa Monica High School as a Physiology Science teacher. He had published the physiology book the school used for years. He served the as Malibu Rotary Club President, long time Malibu Rotary Club Treasurer, and was a Paul Harris Fellow. He continued being active with the Malibu Rotary Club and St. Aidans Church (which he helped found) as long as he physically could until October 2016, until health problems forced him to stay home where he passed away March 9, 2017.

A Celebration of Life honoring Fred Cornett will take place Saturday, April 1, 11 am, at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, [28211 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, CA, 90265](#).

Other News and Guests at Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

\$26.50 for the Rotary Foundation marks 100 year anniversary

Foundation history

At the 1917 convention, outgoing Rotary president Arch Klumph proposed setting up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." That one idea, and an initial contribution of \$26.50, set in motion a powerful force that has transformed millions of lives around the globe.

Explore the rich history of our Foundation as we celebrate 100 years of doing good.

To help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Foundation Malibu Rotary Club members at the March 1st meeting voted to have the \$26.50

contribution the Rotary Foundation be paid with their 2nd quarter dues. Instead of paying our quarterly dues of \$100.00 write check to Malibu Rotary for \$100.00 and check to Rotary Foundation for \$26.50.

Malibu Rotary Club Sends 2 Students to RYLA Camp



Malibu Rotary Club President of the Month W. David Baird announced that the Malibu Rotary Club has chosen the 2 local students the Malibu Rotary

Club is sponsoring to attend RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly) Camp at the Alpine Conference Center in Blue Jay, CA in the Big Bear Lake area of San Bernadino Moutains April 21-April 23.

The two students sponsored by the Malibu Rotary Club at this year's RYLA camp are **Morgan Perlmutter** of Malibu High School and **Amir Mohiuddin** of Calabasas High. We hope to have reports from them after their return from the camp.

Guests

In add addition to PDG **Tom Bos**, the only other guest was the returning **Erica MacVittie**. Althouh not a guest rarely seen member **Dave Zielski** was at the March 22 meeting

Malibu Rotary Club Presidents of the Month (2016-2017)

Malibu Rotary Club President of Record (2016-17) Bill Wishard

August 2016-----Margo Neal

September 2016—David Zielski

October 2016-----John Elman

November 2016—W. David Baird

December 2016—Bill Wishard

January 2017-----Robert "Bob" Syvertsen

Februay 2017-----John Elman

March 2017-----W. David Baird

April 2017-----Margo Neal

May 2017-----Robert "Bob" Syversten

June 2017-----David Zielski

CALENDAR (see up to date calendar on maliburotary.org)

- **March 29 2017-- Samuel Osborne will be speaker at the the Malibu Rotary Club meeting talking about Human Potential and Taking a Risk**

Samuel Osborne is an Australian educator, researcher and public speaker on Human Potential and Creativity. He is on a mission to serve humanity. He speaks to business groups, conducts seminars and holds private consultations.

He has completed a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and English, a Graduate Diploma of Education, a Certification of Neuro-Linguistic Programming, and Foundations of Anthroposophy; a formal educational, therapeutic, and creative system established by Dr. Rudolf Steiner to optimize physical and mental health and well-being.

Prior to commencing his speaking career, Samuel was a Living Statue Performer, an elementary School Teacher, and Professional Beatboxing and Sound FX Artist. Has published a science fiction novel, interviewed over 100 creative thinkers for his podcast, Think Like a Thought Leader. In 2015, Samuel was a Finalist for Arthur Garvey Speaker of the Year Competition in Australia. Samuel's personal interests are astrophysics, comparative mythology and dream interpretation. In his spare time, he bakes banana bread.

- **March 29th 9:00 a.m. Malibu Rotary Club Board Meeting in Pepperdine LC 152**
- **April 5 2017-- Speaker at Malibu Rotary Club is PDG Tom Bos speaking on the "History of Polio Eradication"**

PDG Tom Bos has made 3 trips to India participating in the Rotary's campaign on polio eradication. The first one was 2000, and then in 2003 and 2004. He will share his knowledge on the world wide eradication of polio at the April 19 meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club.

- **April 12—Speaker at Malibu Rotary Club meeting is Philippa Sklaar Title of talk "The Lighter Side of Abuse"**

"If you *laugh* at it, you can deal with it, and if you don't, you can't deal with it." Joan Rivers

Domestic Violence is the only diagnosis that is still shrouded in shame and often treated with contempt. There are so many misconceptions and myths about domestic violence that are simply not true. In *When Loving Him Hurts* we exposed what they are.

Philippa Sklaar is a survivor of abuse, author, coach and advocate. Philippa immigrated to the USA after she fled from a violently abusive marriage and resolved to learn a lesson and be more careful next time. In America she met a man who, on the surface, was everything that her second husband was not. Until she owned her own contribution to the dance of abuse she was destined to repeat the pattern. Her story exists as proof of this. She co-wrote *When*

Loving Him Hurts – recovery from an abusive relationship and The Affair - recovery from illicit sex, lies and betrayal. She is also the author of Hot Cuisine, and her clients included dignitaries such as Nelson Mandela and Elizabeth Taylor was her first client in LA. She appeared in the Food Network's Guy's Grocery Games

with Guy Fieri and with Margaret Cho in Blind Dinner Party.

Her commitment to reduce domestic violence led her to create a nonprofit, The Women's Voice Project. Her programs have been accepted by the LAUSD, the LAPD (Newton Division) and The California Institution for Women.

- **April 19 2017 --Pepperdine professor of Political Science and author Robert Williams will be speaker at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting. His topic "Is World Peace Possible?"**— Robert Williams is Professor of Political Science at Seaver College Pepperdine University. Is is co-author of several books, including *Seeking Security in an Insecure World* . The book discusses including the Syrian civil war, Russia's annexation of Crimea and its intervention in East Ukraine, the global refugee crisis, China's military buildup, the impact of fracking on oil and gas markets, and rapidly evolving cyberwar capabilities. It offers a clear and compelling framework for understanding what world security means today and how it can best be achieved. And also begs for the quest "Is World Peace Possible?"
- **April 25 2017—Rotary District Breakfast**