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- Joy Arcenas ART of Giving in the Phillipines
- Malibu Rotary Club Website: www.maliburotary.org

- **Rotary International Website:** www.Rotary.org
- **Rotary District 5280 Website:**www.rotary5280.org/
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Rotary District Foundation Grant to Malibu fire victims presented by Rotary District Governor Joe Vasquez to Boys & Girls Club Malibu-Disaster Relief Fund Chair Kasey Ernest on March 25



Rotary District Governor Joe Vasquez presents a check for \$15,000 to Kasey Ernest, Executive Directory of the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu in front of the Malibu Playhouse on March 25. Kasey is the administrator of the Boys & Girls Club Malibu-Disaster Relief Fund, and a group that decided the immediate needs of the youth of Malibu following the Woolsey Fire that destroyed the homes of many local students. Members of the Malibu Rotary Club coordinated this effort. Standing behind DG Vasquez and Ernest are L to R Teresa LeGrove Cherkas, president-elect of the Malibu Rotary; Bianca Torrence, President of the Malibu Rotary Club; Marianne Bema, Carlye Rudkin, Nagy Henein, Wilson Benitez, Kathy Henein, and Bill Wishard. All in the back row are members of the Malibu Rotary Club, except for Benitez who is a member of the Torrance-Del Amo Rotary Club and District Senior Assistant District Governor and District Chair for International Service. Nagy Henein is Malibu Rotary Club President-Elect Nominee and his wife Kathy has been proposed for Malibu Rotary Club membership this week.

In accepting the \$15,000 check from Rotary Boys & Girls Club Executive Director Kasey

Earnest said that \$7,000 would go to the nonprofit Young Actors Project in support of the arts, after-school programs, and children affected by the Woolsey Fire who were not able to pay for the program. Some of the money will also go to the non-profit LA County Disaster Communications Service ((DCS), which lost equipment in the Woolsey fire.

The reason the presentation of the Rotary check was done at the Malibu Playhouse is because that is where children involved with the Young Actors Project were rehearsing for their production of “Willy Wonka & The Chocolate Factory.”

Highlights of the March 27 Malibu Rotary Club Planning Meeting

Malibu Rotary Club President-Elect Teresa Legrove presided for a club planning meeting on March 27 2019. She had multiple printed hand outs for everyone present, with lists of committees and subcommittees and included new members in top positions.

Among the items on Teresa’s list was an official Malibu Rotary Club of Malibu printed Bylaws, in addition to the Articles of Incorporation that Bianca has been working on the the Pepperdine Law professors. The Club Bylaws could be just putting the Malibu Rotary Club on a template of Recommended Rotary Club Bylaws that Teresa handed out. It appeared that would be an quick easy thing to do.

New member Mehrdad Sahafi was made membership chair and someone who is not yet member is projected as Youth Chair—Kathy Henein. President Elect Nominee Nagy Henein has been assigned the roll of Club Administration as well as Chahir of Program & Events & Fundraising. Nagy asked wife Kathy to help him in his increased Malibu Rotary Club rolls and she accepted, and we expect to induct her as a member at future meeting.

Youth Chair is one of the most important positions in the club. And by the way, the singing competition which we have been told isn’t going to happen this year, at this meeting we found out **is** going to happen, on May 1 at 7:00 p.m. at Malibu High School. Youth chair also coordinates RYLA, high school scholarships, the Pepperdine Rotataract Club, and tries to again start up Interact Club at the high school. Youth Servie had been a hallmark of the Malibu Rotary Club. We are sure Kathy will be up for task.

Club treasurer Joy Arcenas had prepared budget and treasurer’s report for both the operating budget as well as charity budget and certain questions about those reports were going to wait until club resident historical guru on all things financial, Bob Syvetsetn, who was not at this meeting, could be asked to get his opinion.

There was much discussion about the October Malibu Rotary Club Halloween Fund Raiser. Nagy Henein had some misgivings about the venue, the food and the price Calimigos was charging. Nagy says he dislikes tacos, and feels the venue is too dark for both the live and silent auction. Everyone seemed in agreement on having the Halloween Fundraiser but Nagy would like to fine tune the details.

Malibu Rotary Club Middle and High School Singing Competition is ON

After discussion with the choral director of Malibu Middle and High School, Teresa said students still were looking forward to having the annual Malibu Rotary Club Middle and High School Singing Competition this year. There was no venue available at Pepperdine and was decided that this year's event would be at 7:00 p.m. at **Malibu High School, 30215 Morning View Dr, Malibu, CA 90265.**

Last year 16 Students from Krysta Sorensen's vocal classes at Malibu Middle School and Malibu High School competed for prize money at special concert program at Raitt Recital Hall at Pepperdine University. Except for the venue this year's format will be the same. Emcee will be Ted Silverberg. Judges from the music industry will score student performances. Cash awards of \$200, \$100, and \$50 are given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in both the middle school division and the high school division,

Other Malibu Rotary News

Guests

Guest at the meeting was included Nagy's wife **Kathy Heinen**, who was proposed for membership.

ART of Giving to the Philippines



Joy Arcenas spoke about the project she started to help the children in her native country—the Philippines. She donates back packs and school supplies to 2000 students in poor villages. Joy donates \$10,000 per year to the project. Last year on an individual basis members of the Malibu Rotary Club donated to her giving the students an additional requested item—flip-flops for the feet. Joy asked our club members if they are interested in contributing to another item that has been requested—umbrellas.

February 12 Joy had written the following e-mail to all the members of the Malibu Rotary Club:

Good morning Rotarians

As I prepare for my Humanitarian

trip to the Philippines in May. I would like to ask our club members if they interested in supporting an umbrella for the parents of a 1st grader.

The cost is \$2 each including the print.

This year we will distribute 2,000 backpack sponsored by Masbate Association of America

2,000 set of school supplies sponsored by Ligaya Legacy Homes

Hope Foundation will donate t-shirts for the kids.

Thank you for your time and appreciate your kind attention.

Best service above self.

There was some question from Teresa whether to Malibu Rotary contributions could be as a club donation, or even a grant. **David Baird** made a commitment toward the project by e-mail. Joy has already had prototypes of the umbrellas made and pictures of them are shown below.





Rotary Project in Peru

On July 25 Malibu Rotary Club President Bianca Torrence spoke in detail about the Rotary District 5280 Humanitarian Trip to Lima Peru April 3-8. Via e-mail prior to the August 8 meeting Bianca made a

formal proposal to the Malibu Rotary Club Board of Directors: Her proposal was that the Malibu Rotary Club commit to be the Lead club for the grant #10 on the Peruvian Rotary Humanitarian District trip **BARRANCA-Smile Project**. It takes \$5k to be the lead club on the Global Grant project. Bianca pointed out the Malibu Rotary Club already had committed \$2k for the project and she will work on getting the rest so the Malibu Rotary Club will be recognized as lead club in this project.

Malibu Rotary Board approved the funding of the Peruvian **SMILE BARRANCA** project at the August 8 meeting. The **SMILE BARRANCA** was the project that was in most need of funding of the eleven humanitarian projects of the Rotary District 5280 Humanitarian trip in Peru. We are sure Bianca will bring a big smile to the people of Barranca.

Bianca spoke at the Pacific Palisades Rotary Club September 20 and was persuasive enough to have the Palisades Club join the Malibu Rotary Club in sponsoring the Peruvian **SMILE BARRANCA** project.

That project specifically is hosted by Rotary Club of Barranca, District 4465 Serving the marginal urban and rural sectors, and in educational institutions where there are deficiencies in oral health care in Supe Pueblo, Puerto Supe, Pativilca, Paramonga and Barranca. Needs Assessment Oral Health in Peru is a public health problem, so a comprehensive approach is necessary, applying effective measures to promote oral health and prevent the consequences of poor oral health. Poor population, as well as non-poor, presents needs for the treatment of oral diseases. One of the human groups sensitive to such public health problems are minors, including children between the ages of 3 and 6, where the habits of hygiene and oral care are generated and reinforced, which will be sustained during their future development. This need was assessed by visiting the schools and population evaluation by dentists in Barranca. Project Description •

Preventive care and education to children who belong to the Non-school Initial Education Program. • Oral health care for beneficiaries of urban and rural sectors. • School and population training in Barranca Area of Focus: Disease Prevention and Treatment Goals The objective of this project is the promotion of oral health and oral hygiene in marginal urban and rural sectors without health coverage and children from Not Standardized Initial Education Programs.

Bianca said her family has had a charity project in Peru for years she has decided to have her family charity project to contribute an additional \$1000 to that project in behalf of the Malibu Rotary Club, doubling the Malibu Rotary Club contribution from \$1000 to \$2000.

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	Teresa LeGrove Cherkas
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CALENDAR

April 3 2019 Richard Garvey CERT: Malibu Community Emergency Response Team

April 10 2019 Eva Johnson will talk about Home Health Service available from Royal Hospice Care—she will talk about the various levels of service her company provides

April 17 2019 Emmet Finch "The Malibu Poet" Emmett Finch, "The Malibu Poet," is a war veteran, sailor and seafarer, private pilot, adventurer, retired firefighter, yachtsman, traveler, naturalist, poet and writer. Emmett has lived an unusual life-which set the stage and background for his unpretentious style of writing. He attributes much of his inspiration to the good fortune of living in Malibu by the Sea and writing his Poetry for over half a Century.

May 1 2019 Mark Lipps speaks on the subject of SOLAR

Mark is a member of the Manhattan Beach Rotary.

He will talk about the future of solar for residential and commercial. Legislatively what is going on and what can we expect in the next few years.

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May 15 2019 Dawn Herscher "Developing techniques of storytelling"

Dawn Herscher is a recent TED* talk speaker and offers a very compelling and memorable workshop on storytelling, and how stories are necessary for branding and making money! She is a professional speaker, and has 10 years experience as a speechwriter. She should provide Malibu Rotarians and visitor with an enlightening morning.

*TED is a nonpartisan nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks. TED began in 1984 as a conference where Technology, Entertainment and Design converged, and today covers almost all topics — from science to business to global issues — in more than 110 languages. Meanwhile, independently run TEDx events help share ideas in communities around the world.

June 12 2019 Malibu Rotary Club meets with Malibu Chamber (Paradise Cove Cafe) (no meeting at Pepperdine