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Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard

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**Malibu President Bill Wishard Heart Surgery Rescheduled to April 9**

**Mon Buddhist Prays for Bill’s Quick Recovery from Surgery**



(pictured above) Janesh, In-Taka and Mehmon “Jimmy” Mon are all immigrants from Burma who the UN helped relocate in the US. Jimmy is now a member of the Malibu Rotary Club, and brought his friends to the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting so that In-Taka, a monk at the Mon Temple of Los Angeles (located in Panarama City) could pray for Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard, who was about to undergo open heart surgery at the UCLA Ronald Reagan Hospital.



While the Malibu Rotary Club was meeting at the Villa Grazadio location at Pepperdine Malibu Rotary Club President William “Bill” Wishard was scheduled for UCLA Ronald Reagan Hospital open heart surgery to repair all that plugged plumbing revealed by the angiogram. Dr. Hillel Laks, who is Chief, Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, UCLA Medical Center, was called on to do a heart transplant, at the time scheduled for Bill’s surgery. The heart transplant surgery did not end until 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, and as a result Bill’s surgery was rescheduled for Tuesday, April 9. It is expected he will not be able to come back to Rotary meetings for a month. Until he returns David Baird will be chairing meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club.

At the Rotary Club meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup> In-Taka’s Buddhist prayer for Bill lasted longer than our club’s typical invocation, and it was a chant in the Mon language. That spiritual blessing for Bill should carry over for the following week.

Since we did not know what In-Taka was saying we thought we would find an appropriate Buddhist prayer of healing and found this one:

*Just as the soft rains fill the streams,  
pour into the rivers, and join together in the oceans,  
so may the power of every moment of your goodness  
flow forth to awaken and heal all beings—  
those here now, those gone before, those yet to come.  
By the power of every moment of your goodness,  
may your heart’s wishes be soon fulfilled  
as completely shining as the bright full moon,  
as magically as by a wish-fulfilling gem.  
By the power of every moment of your goodness,  
may all dangers be averted and all disease be gone.  
May no obstacle come across your way.  
May you enjoy fulfillment and long life.  
For all in whose heart dwells respect,  
who follow the wisdom and compassion, of the Way,  
may your life prosper in the four blessings  
of old age, beauty, happiness and strength.*

Bill, a lot of people are praying for your quick recovery!

## **Other News and Guests From Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting**

Guests at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of April 3 included **Janesh** and **In-Taka**, two friends of Mehmon Mon, as well as 2 visitors from New Lennox, Il, **Phil** and **Kay Zaczek**. Phil is a member of the New Lenox Rotary Club and Portfolio Manager. In addition to new faces John Elman brought his wife **Lee Ann** to sample the new meeting venue. Because of the time of the meeting it also allowed Malibu Rotary Club charter member **Jack Corrodi** to attend. His home dialysis precludes Jack from attending breakfast meetings, but we expect to see him regularly at noon. Jack had recently fallen and cracked a hip, which causes him to move slowly in a walker, but he is moving!

In Bill's absence **David Baird** presided over the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of April 3 with his "This Week in History" and several jokes.

**Margo Neal** talked about the Japanese high school students coming to the Los Angeles area as part of District Student exchange that Rotary District 5280 is having with 3 Rotary Districts in Japan. Students from each country spend the summer exchanging homes with students in the other country. Malibu Rotary Club will be helping to host the students on Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. David Baird is arranging a tour of the Pepperdine campus and Margo Neal is arranging a tour of Villa Getty in Malibu. Host families will get the students to Pepperdine in Malibu from Santa Monica, but Malibu Rotarians will get the students back to Santa Monica where the students are staying.

Now that the food set up is different for Malibu Rotary Club meetings (everyone pays cashier cash or credit card instead of the Malibu Rotary Club food pass that was honored at the breakfast meetings in the Fireside Room). Previously one of these food pass cards was given to Malibu Rotary Club guest speakers each week to pay for the speaker's food. **John Elman** suggested having the treasurer get a debit card on the Rotary Club checking account to be used to pay the cashier for the speaker's meal. **Hubert Luckerath** did not think this was a good idea, that it would be better for the treasurer, or some other designated member, take the speaker through the food lines to the cashier and pay with cash or a personal credit card, and get reimbursed by the club with the receipt for the meal from the cashier, making sure the receipt for meal is that of the speaker and not the member's meal. **Bob Syvertsen** suggested we try this method for a couple months to see how it works. Another new duty for 1 or more Malibu Rotary club member(s) acquired by the new Grazadio venue is getting the Rotary meeting items (the flags, bell, gavel, etc) out of a storage room called "the cage." The cage is located through a door on a loading dock outside near the lobby of the Villa Grazadio hotel, attached to the cafeteria. The person at the front desk at the Villa Grazadio hotel has the key to unlock and lock "the cage." It takes a couple Rotarians 1 trip or 1 Rotarian a couple trips to get things to and from the cage before and after meetings.

## **New Meeting Place and Time for Malibu Rotary Club**

After meeting in the Pepperdine University Fireside Room on Wednesday for breakfast for a couple decades the Malibu Rotary Club has changed the venue and time of its weekly meetings. Starting April 3rd the Malibu Rotary Club is meeting on Wednesday at noon for lunch in Room LC 152 of the upper Drescher Graduate Campus of Pepperdine University in Malibu.

Since April 3<sup>rd</sup> the Malibu Rotary Club is meeting at noon in LC 152 at the Pepperdine Drescher campus Villa Graziadio Executive Center. Individuals will buy food in the cafeteria, which is a short distance from the meeting room. The meeting room has built in projector, and the Rotary club has been given space to store the Malibu Rotary Club supplies in a room called “the cage.” Whoever sets up the room must have someone from the front desk at the Villa Graziadio on campus hotel open the “Cage” to get Rotary supplies including flags and banners to bring to the LC 152 meeting room.

### **Directions to Malibu Rotary Club meeting in LC 152 of Pepperdine Drescher Graduate Campus**

- From Pacific Coast Highway turn into Pepperdine Campus at John Tyler Dr (which becomes Huntsinger Cir)
- Turn Left at sign "Drescher Graduate Campus" up hill onto Via Pacifica
- Stay on Via Pacifica past Catalina Dr and turn right into first parking lots, either Lot S or T, and park.
- Walk through right doors of entrance to Henry and Virginia Braun Center (aka Learning and Tech Center) into hallway and go through doors on right in hallway into large patio.
- LC 152 (the Rotary [meeting room](#)) is first door on right off patio. The cafeteria is first door on left. For those who wish to buy lunch food is ordered in cafeteria and paid to cashier by cash or credit card. There is a varied menu which includes Asian buffet and fresh salad bar. Food trays can be brought into meeting room LC 152

### **Rotary District News**

RYLA camp will be held April 26-28. The Rotary Club of Malibu is again sponsoring 2 students, Marion "Gabriella" Grahek and Emma London. Geoff Ortiz has handled documentation getting the Malibu High School students signed into this sold out event.

Our local district is exchanging high school age students with 3 districts in Japan for the summer. Malibu Rotary Club will be helping to host the students on Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. David Baird is arranging a tour of the Pepperdine campus and Margo Neal is arranging a tour of Villa Getty in Malibu.

Instead of having a Presidents Dinner in April, all Rotarians and their families are invited to attend a special breakfast aboard the USS Iowa in San Pedro

Rotary District 5280 is having a Group Study Exchange (GSE) this year with Rotary District 2620 in Japan. The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the

ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their [careers](#). The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

Rotary District Convention at The Fess Parker Resort in Santa Barbara the weekend of May 3-5. The wine tour will be on May 2. Information and reservations are on the [Rotary District 5280 website](#).

Please see Malibu Rotary Club Website [www.maliburotary.org](http://www.maliburotary.org) for latest Calendar and future speakers and facebook pages for other news.

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## Calendar

(all Malibu Rotary Club meetings are at noon in LC 152 at the Pepperdine Drescher campus Villa Graziadio Executive Center unless otherwise noted).

Apr 10, 2013



[Dr John W Elman](#)

"Who is 1-800-My-Eye-Doc?"

John W Elman OD has been member of the Malibu Rotary Club since 1977. It has been 35 years since he gave his Rotary Club craft talk and all though his craft is the same--he was and is an optometrist--technologies have changed, and he will present a presentation at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting showing some of these new technologies in the new location of the Malibu Rotary Club, the Technologies and Learning Center in the Graziadio [Graduate School](#) campus of Pepperdine University LC 152 at noon April 10.

Apr 17, 2013

[Mike Kelly](#)

"Family Law "