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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard

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the Heads of our adapted Family of 8 Michael and Kim Bonewitz who will be asking for Malibu Rotary Club at Juan Cabrillo Elementary School Fiesta 2014 on May 4

- **Malibu Rotary Club Domain www.maliburotary.org back on line**
- **Check [Calendar](#) on Malibu Rotary website www.maliburotary.org**
- **Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org**
- **Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280.org/**
- **RI President (2013-2014) Ron D Burton**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2013-2014): Doug Baker**
- **Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Alice Muntean (2013-14)**

Prophet Walker Tells How He Uses His Voice to Keep His Dream Alive (speaker at Rotary District Breakfast April 8)

In lieu of having a Rotary Club meeting in Malibu on April 9th Malibu Rotarians were encouraged to go to the final Rotary District Breakfast of the year on April 8th at the LAX Westin. Effectively that meeting was the weekly meeting for Malibu Rotary Club. The meeting was led by the Rotary youth district governors (the Interact Club district governor and Rotaract district Governor) each of whom were given \$1500 scholarships by Rotaract District Governor Doug Baker. The Malibu Rotary Club was represented at the District Breakfast by David Baird, Grizelda Espinoza, John Elman, Peter Formosa, Margo Neal, as well as our own resident past district governor Tom Bos, and a guest of Bill Wishard, Nick Folley. Bill himself was in Malibu serving on election day. He was interviewed by the Malibu Times at the polling office where he was working, and mentioned Rotary in the article which should be appearing this week. Announcements were made of several upcoming district events. The Rotary District Assembly on the morning of May 10th at the Carson Community Center is where all the club leaders will learn about their duties for the new Rotary year which starts July 1. This year's theme is "Light up Rotary." The Rotary District Conference will be May 15-18 in Indian Wells and the Friday evening Hospitality night chaired by Melody St John will have a high school home coming theme. Registration before the event is \$95.00 but goes up to \$110 on Tuesday April 15th. At the time of the district breakfast there were 40 hotel rooms left.

An announcement was made that the district had raised \$27,000 for the Philippines disaster relief.

An announcement was made about RYLA. This year 193 kids are going. Next year the number of spots each club can apply for is being raised to the current 2 to 3.

Warren Bubrow said that the traditional summer Japanese student exchange which has normally exchanged students between Los Angeles Rotary Clubs and districts in Japan, has now been expanded to exchange to other countries. There are opportunities for students of from 1-to 27 years of age to participate in various programs ranging in time from 3 weeks to 3 months.



This Rotary District Breakfast meeting marked the last one at the Westin LAX. When Elsa Gilham became District Governor in July the Rotary District Breakfast meetings will be moved to the 52nd Floor of the City Club meeting in downtown Los Angeles.

The keynote speaker at the district breakfast was Prophet Walker, who undeniably was one of the best public speakers we've heard. Prophet was born in south central Los Angeles. His mother was a heroin addict and his dad was not around. One day, when he was 6 years old, his mother announced that she was going out and would be right

back. She never returned. It was just him, and his little sister.

After a couple days there was a knock at the door. It was an adult who had come to collect a debt from his mother. He fought the adult off to protect his sister

When Prophet was 16 years old he broke a CD player at a store. He said that one of the biggest mistakes he made was not speaking up. He was given the maximum sentence of 6 years and found himself incarcerated in a maximum security prison. While there he didn't dwell on his misfortune. Instead he decided he would educate himself and when he got out of prison he would be successful. He hadn't graduated from high school, but while in prison he was able to take classes, get his GED and also created a college program where he was able to get a 2 year college degree.

While still in prison he contacted the admissions office at Loyola Marymount University. He not only wanted to just go to the university, he wanted to go the school of Science and Engineering. The admissions officer became familiar and sympathetic to him, but she said there was no way he could get into the School of Science and Engineering with his background. She said the only way he would get into the school if the dean of the school personally interviewed him and the only day available for that happened to be the day after he got of prison. He was released on the 9th of the month and somehow made to the interview with the dean on the 10th.

Prophet's message to the youth in the audience was don't let any obstacle stop you. He was starting college at age 22 and a 17 year old tutor. He still got a D in Physics, but it didn't deter him. He prepared like he had job even when he didn't He graduated with an engineering degree He designs parking structures and believes dreaming big pays off in the end. It is important to cultivate children's dreams.

Prophet says he has had a lot of help along the way from people who believed in him, like the people at LMU.

Prophet says that because he wanted to give back he decided to run for State Assembly in the 64th District that represents Watts, Willowbrook and Compton. It appears he will win.

Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard represents Malibu Rotary at the Woodland Hills Earth Day Celebration



On April 12 Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard represented to the Malibu Rotary Club at the 3rd Annual Earth Day Celebration presented by the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, the Woodland Hills-Tarzana Chamber of Commerce and which had near the entrance a booth set up for the Fleet Street bike rehabilitation program which support the special detention center school in Woodland Hill. The Fleet Street Bike project is support by the Woodland Hills Rotary Club, and Alice Muntean had also asked the Malibu Rotary Club to support the program. As a fund raiser the group gets bicycles in need of repair and sells and auctions them off.

Winner of a bike at the April 12 event was Gabriel Kimel, shown with his mom Dina Kimmel.



Besides the Earth Day Event April 12 was designated as Rotary Day of Service across the district. That morning the Rotary Club of Woodland Hills members went to the Prince of Peace to ad a butterfly garden in memry of

Rotarian Elizabeth Hart. They also planted vegetables for the food pantry.



**Malibu Rotarian
Jimmy Mehmon
Mon reports to
Bill from
Cambodia**

John, I heard today from Malibu Rotarian Mehm Tala Mon (Jimmy), direct from his tour of ancient civilization Ankor

Wat in Cambodia. He said he has many pictures and history story of Ankor Wat which he will present at our club when he returns.

As he told our club recently, he was going to Burma to help build a house for his mother in her small village where he was born. She's been living with thousands of other Mon Burmese in a refugee camp just over the border in Thailand many years, and it is only recently safe for her to return to her town where her brother, uncle and other family members live. The house building has gone well, but he is staying up to a month more to finish it, necessitating a 13+ hour 2-bus ride back to Bangkok to get another extended visa to stay longer in Burma. He diverted his return to Burma via bus to a village near Ankor Wat in Cambodia so he could see it.



I am sending for the Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter 3 emails he sent, with several Ankor Wat pictures, two of him perhaps worth passing on, one with an ancient structure in Ankor Wat,



another striking one of him standing between the trunks of 2 big Elephants with large red hangings over them.

Rotary Social Event - Friday, April 25th - 11:30

Price:\$15

Reservations on a first come basis (can only take 12 people). This will be considered a "Rotary Social Event"!

So RSVP ASAP.

Thanks

Maggie

Address is 26800 PCH, Malibu

A catered lunch starts at 11:30

We will have a tour given by the Property Manager, Heidi

BYOB - other non alcohol beverages provided

Travelling East/South - just before Latigo Canyon you turn right into the gated area. If you go to Latigo Shore Drive you have gone too far!

Travelling West their is a small left hand turn lane provided and you will see that shortly after Latigo Canyon...

2002-06-30 04:00:00 PDT Los Angeles -- [Dick Clark](#) has purchased a 12-acre Malibu home known as Gull's Way for close to \$15 million.

The multiple Emmy-winning producer and TV host, whose hit rock 'n' roll show "American Bandstand" marked its 50th anniversary in May, bought Gull's Way as an investment, sources said.

The oceanfront property has been described as one of the best building sites in Malibu. It is bordered on three sides by the ocean.

The property also has a 6,600-square-foot main house, built in the early '70s, and an 1,800-square-foot guest house, built in 1956. The main house is habitable but has been neglected. There is also a caretaker's cottage, a beach house and a pet cemetery on the grounds.

Gull's Way belonged to Pepperdine [University](#) before Clark bought it. The property was given to the school when [Luella "Billie" Ulrich](#) died at age 99 in 1996. She had hoped that the university could build a conference center on the site, but Pepperdine couldn't get city approvals.

Ulrich lived on the grounds for more than 50 years, much of it with her husband, Rick, who died earlier. The couple, who owned several mobile home parks, bought the site in the '40s and lived there in a trailer until they built the guest house. When the guest house was completed, they moved into it until the main house was built.

The main house, which has a fountain and several murals made with Malibu tiles, has been used as a set for many movies and such TV series as "Fantasy Island" (1978-1984). Few weddings have been held there, but the late [Herve Villechaize](#), who played Tattoo in "Fantasy Island," was married in front of a fireplace in the house.

The property had been on the market, at \$15 million, since June 1999.

Proceeds from the Gull's Way sale will go to the [Graziadio School of Business](#) on the new Drescher campus at Pepperdine in Malibu, according to public information.

Upcoming Speakers (yet to be confirmed)

- Randy Klingensberg, Performing Arts Studio West (who trains disabled artists to perform--school attended by blind autistic musical savant Rex Lewis)
- Malibu High School Principal Jerry Block
- Founder of the National Veterans Foundation, Floyd 'Shad' Meshad
- Dana Sherman of the Fleet Street Bike Project
- Dan Wise on history of the 25,000 acres from Marina del Rey to PV Peninsula to Western Ave

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Apr 16, 2014

Kim Bonewitz & Robert Hayman

"Juan Cabrillo Elementary School Fiesta 2014 "

Kim Bonewitz V.P. Of Fundraising, Juan Cabrillo Malibu and mother of 8, will come with a group from Juan Cabrillo Elementary School to tell us about Fiesta 2014 event for the school.

Apr 16, 2014

Canon Wing

"Name and Grow Rich"

A name is so powerful it's essential for our survival. If you are not taking naming this

seriously then you are missing out on your birthright. You're missing out on the secret power of putting your thoughts into another human's heart – into the hearts of millions. Snap yourself out of the haze of name candidates and into the power of naming.

Apr 23, 2014

Madhava Das

"How Eating Young Plant Parts Keeps You Young & Healthy For Life "

Madhava Dasa -- Madhava Das - Cornell University & T. Colin Campbell Foundation Certified In Plant-based Nutrition Founder and Chief Researcher at Nutritional Research Maui Health & Kindness Motivator, Author, Speaker Author of - Eat Your Way To Health: Healing, Kindness & The Plant Life Cycle (Five Star book review by Maynard Clark, Research Administrator at the Harvard School of Public Health) - Soon to publish: Younger Plant Part, Younger You: How Eating Young Plant Parts Keeps You Young & Healthy For Life

The national health news is that animal protein is linked to early death. <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/meat-dairy-may-be-as-detrimental-to-your-health-as-smoking-cigarettes/> Being certified by Cornell University in Plant-based nutrition, Madhava Das will tell you how to avoid early death, with the vegan diet former President Bill Clinton, Steve Wynn of Las Vegas hotel fame, and John Mackey founder of Whole Foods Market have adopted.

Apr 30, 2014

Bill Wishard

"Club Assembly"

This will be a club assembly in which club future plans will be discussed.

May 07, 2014

Linda Montellano Werner and Sourena Vassegh

" Big Dreams Take Small Sacrifices"

May 14, 2014

Michael A. Smith, Principal OLM School

"Our Lady of Malibu School"

May 21, 2014

Silva Mirzolan

"Releasing the Genie Within"

Silva Mirzoian knows a thing or two about releasing one's inner power in order to turning one's ideas into reality. Silva is a self-made entrepreneur, best-selling author, philanthropist and lifestyle expert who transformed her challenges into a successful property development company which became a framework for attaining one's personal financial independence.

Silva is the leading expert to extracting your inner Genie which will lead you to turning your ideas into reality and live a triumphant lifestyle. As author and publisher of the book "*Jump-Start Your Life*"® and producer of Passions & Dreams For Success Institute, Silva has been recognized as the "Dreamweaver" by **Entrepreneur Magazine** for having the unique ability to weave together past & present to develop a perfect (and wealthy) lifestyle for women.

May 28, 2014

Carl Christman

"Carl Reads Minds"

Carl Christman is a mentalist at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. His Rotary presentations are educational and entertaining. Rotarians and guests at this special meeting will learn about the power of their own mind and have a once in a lifetime experience. You can find out more about Carl and see a demo video at www.CarlReadsMinds.com. This should be a fun Rotary meeting. Come and bring a friend.

Jun 25, 2014

Doug Kmiec

"Why Aristotle and Jimmy Stewart were both right – AMB"

Former U.S. Ambassador to Malta Douglas W. Kmiec explains Why Aristotle and Jimmy Stewart were both right – AMB.