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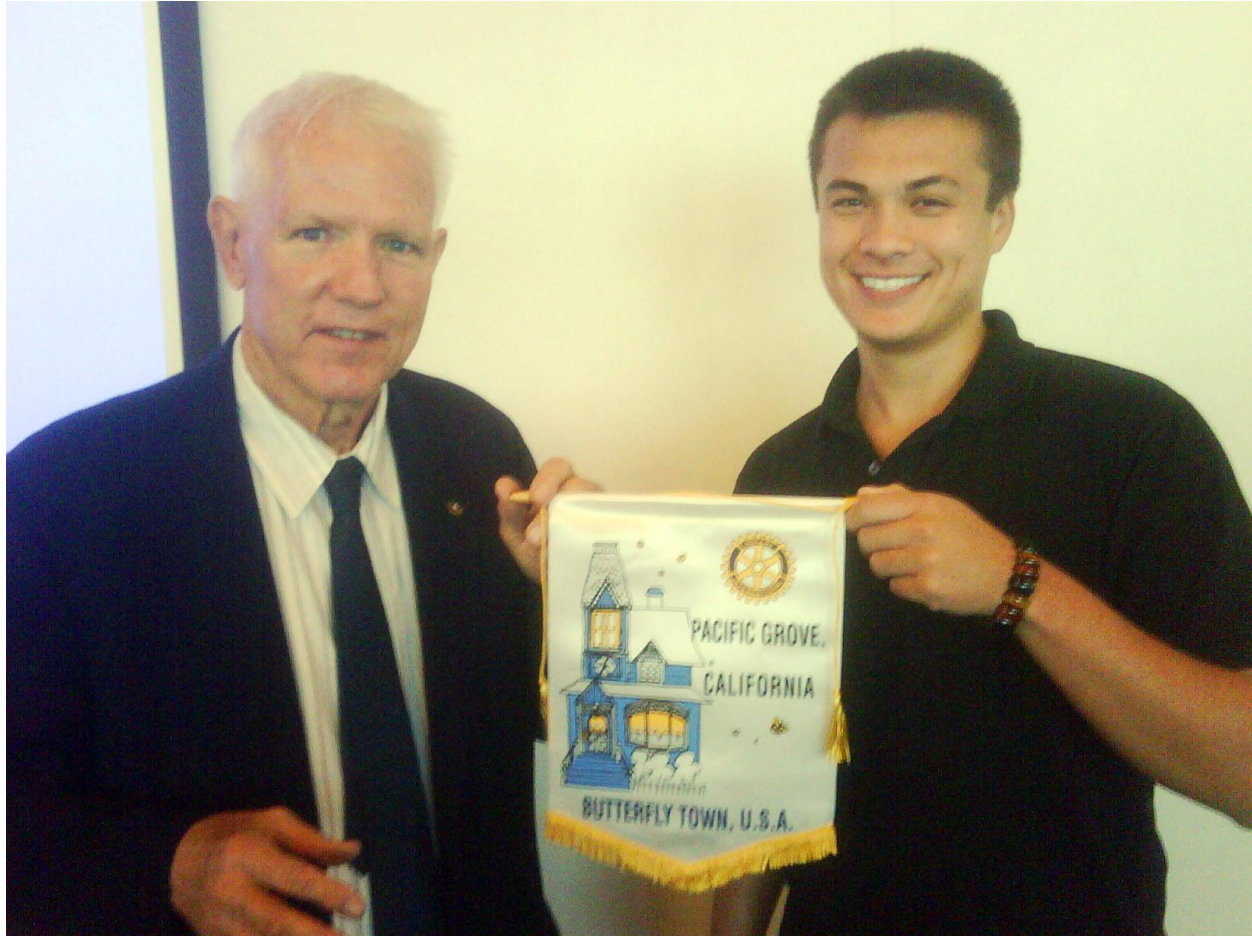
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The past couple weeks the Malibu Rotary Club meetings have been Club assemblies, and the week before that was Rotary District Governor Brad Robinson's visit, also a club assembly of sorts, with talk about plans for the Malibu Rotary Club year. The meeting of August 31 was very different. Not only was there a special guest speaker, there were five (5) speakers speaking on four (4) unrelated program topics. The only program that was scheduled (and therefore publicized on our website) was the appearance of Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar Zac DeLap, the Pepperdine graduate who was going to New Zealand, sponsored by his home town Rotary Club of Pacific Grove, California. He was going to tell us about surviving his stint in China at a Shaolin Temple martial arts camp this summer and bring us the flag from his sponsoring club. The rest of the speakers were invited by Malibu Rotary Club members to come, and because Zac had only announced he was coming the previous week, everyone thought they were going to be THE program. And one of the main programs, **Glenn Camp's** presentation on enviroboard, a technology to make inexpensive highly efficient building materials out of straw, was going to be presented on new Apple computer that didn't match any of five connectors needed to show the presentation. To top it off Malibu Rotary Club President **Kevin Boling** was unable to get to the meeting, and Malibu Rotary Club Vice President for the month **Bill Wishard** was stuck in traffic on his way to the meeting.

There could have been chaos. But instead cool heads prevailed and each presentation given with neither electronic aids nor notes because each speaker knew the important points to cover in his/her respective topic. Bill arrived in time to start the meeting by 7:50 a.m. After David Baird's invocation he introduced the Malibu Rotarians who had some connection with each of the speakers, who in turn introduced each of the 4 programs of the day.

**Zac Delap, Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar, who was a 2011 graduate from Pepperdine University Seaver College in Political Science
Surviving his stint in China at a Shaolin Temple**

Margo Neal was the Program Chair on April 27th, when Zachary Delap gave his first presentation to the Malibu Rotary Club. He was about to graduate Pepperdine University Seaver College in Political Science and the Conflict Management Program, and had been accepted into the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship Program to earn study in Auckland, New Zealand to earn a Master's Degree in International Relations. In high school he had been quite familiar with, and participated in, the youth programs offered by the Rotary Club of Pacific Grove near his home. They sponsored him as an International Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar and he had returned again to Malibu before going to New Zealand, to give us the Rotary flag from his home club as well as tell us about he has been doing this summer since graduating from Pepperdine, i.e., spending a month in a Shaolin Temple martial arts camp in the mountains of China. Margo again introduced Zach to talk about his summer adventure.



Malibu Rotary Club Vice President Bill Wishard accepts banner of Rotary Club of Pacific Grove, California, from Zachary Delap. The Pacific Grove Club sponsored the Pepperdine University 2011 graduate as a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar to study International Relations in Auckland, New Zealand.

To hear Zack talk about his experience in the Shaolin Temple camp it was hard to believe that he actually paid to be abused the way people are abused at the temple. What he thought it would be and what it turned out to be were not always the same. First, there was the location. He assumed that because it was high in the mountains of China, the quality of the air would be good. Wrong. It was located above 2 of the largest coal burning energy plants in China and air pollution was the worst Zach has ever experienced. He said he had a problem breathing and at night what came out of his nose was black. The two main themes in the temple are discipline and strength. Families send their children there to learn develop these traits. His mother dropped Zach off at the temple and on way up they observed how the Shaolin master developed discipline in their pupils: Young children were hit with bamboo sticks. His mother asked Zach if he was sure he wanted to stay, and he said he did. Most of the temple students were Chinese. He was one of 10 foreign students, and two of them were girls. He said they Chinese students had a dormitory separate from the international students. In addition to the polluted air, there were mosquitoes and large horse flies. He counted 26 mosquito bites in 3 nights. Someone counted 43 horse flies. They also bit.

Before exercising they practiced breathing exercises and Tai Chi. The Masters did not speak English very well, but they made their commands understood by kicking people in the knee if something was not done correctly. Zach said their kicks were not gentle, but hard kicks. The food was terrible, and always the same. Breakfast was served at 7:00 a.m. it consisted of a hardboiled egg, a tasteless bun, and rice. Stretching included splits stretching, and if your body did not stretch that way it would be kicked until it did. After a day of this Zach could not feel his legs the next morning. By the third day he was hitting people and cement. If you weren't hitting your partner hard enough the master would let you know. Shaolin uses power, and the fact that when your body is numb enough, if you have broken down your pain receptors, you feel no pain.

When asked if there is something that Zach gained from his month at the Shaolin temple he replied that he did learn discipline, develop cardio, and martial arts.

Glen Camp & Josh Mosshart talk about "Enviro Board" which makes building blocks for inexpensive housing out of straw



Joshua Mosshart (L) and Glenn Camp (R) are the Managing Director and CEO of Enviro Board Corporation has developed and patented a milling process capable of economically

transforming waste agriculture residues such as rice straw, wheat straw and elephant grass into modular construction panels for use in residential construction.

Geoff Ortiz introduced **Joshua Mosshart** at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting. Geoff knows Josh because of two connections. Years ago both worked as Financial Advisors at UBS Paine Webber, and more recently they had gotten to know each other as fathers whose sons are in preschool together. Josh has both a 2 year old and 4 year old. Josh has had his own wealth management company in Westlake Village. He was impressed with the Enviro Board business model and introduced its Co-chairman and CEO, **Glenn Camp**, to explain the technology.

Glenn had worked in eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Affordable housing is a world wide problem. Throughout time, straw has been used as a building material with great success. After researching and studying a dormant technology that was originally invented in Sweden during the 1930's, Enviro Board developed, perfected and patented a new manufacturing process that converts many types of waste fiber into a durable panel membrane. Buildings constructed in the 1930's with the original fiberboard panel technology are still in use today.

The new Enviro Board technology heats the collected bails of straw in a machine , which causes it to release a glue, while it compresses the fibers into durable building sheets. Enviro Board Corporation has developed and patented a milling process capable of economically transforming waste agriculture residues such as rice straw, wheat straw and elephant grass into modular construction panels for use in residential and civilian infrastructure construction. Typically, these waste fibers are burned for disposal, releasing harmful pollutants into the atmosphere. This technology thus reduces pollution and preserves natural resources. Enviro Board's unique process creates a regional source of sustainable, energy efficient building material from any suitable source of ag fiber, while creating regional jobs and stimulating low-cost housing development. Homes and buildings built with Enviro Board's construction system can withstand massive earthquakes and at a substantially lower cost and environmental impact than cement and wood construction systems. The building sheets are much stronger than dry wall. In fact they are more like concrete, but with better insulation quality.

It takes years for trees to grow into wood for lumber. It takes 6 months for a crop to grow useable food to eat, and straw to harvest into building material. Straw costs only \$10.00 a ton, and when the Enviro Board panels are used to build a home using recycled steel frame building costs are only about \$25 to \$35 per square foot. If you had solar electricity the cost is about \$45 per square foot, but you have a house that uses no energy—a net zero technology. Enviro Board Corporation makes the machines to turn the straw into the building blocks, and they have a plant in Lebanon, Oregon, planning another on the east coast, and others in other countries around the world. One machine can turn out enough building material to build 1,000 homes per year.

To date, in excess of nine million dollars has been raised to research, construct, patent and trade mark the new Enviro Board technology. The new Enviro Board technology is able to process up to a ton of straw at one time and converts many varieties of these agricultural waste fibers such

as rice, wheat, rye, barley and oat straws; flax; sugar cane; elephant grass; and sisal into low-cost, environmentally friendly building panels.

A YouTube video showing the Enviro Board process of converting straw into the building building panels can be seen at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2f8uT-ZX9Ec>

Janice Ann Johnson, Professor of Acting & Directing Talks about her Principles of Acting class at SMC Emeritus College in Malibu



JANICE ANN JOHNSON

Among **McKade Marshall's** careers he lists acting. The Malibu Rotary Club August 31 meeting McKade introduced his acting coach **Janice Ann Johnson**, who was about to start a new semester teaching Principles of Acting at the Santa Monica Emeritus College that very day. She is also Brad Pitt's acting coach. Janice, who has a B.A. in Drama from San Francisco State University, and an MA in Speech/Theater from Missouri State University is a member of SAG, and AFTRA and has appeared in number stage, film and TV rolls, including a regular role on "These Are the Days of Our Lives." She says the Emeritus College is free to senior, and she teaches a similar class at SMC for which one must pay a tuition. She points out "Acting skills are life skills." These skills include "sharpened memory, clear articulation, effective voice production, improved observation & concentration, energized relaxation, expanded imagination and consciousness,

improved listening ability and heightened sensory awareness."

You will be reading this after the first class has started, but maybe she'll let you in anyway at the free Emeritus classes which are 1:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. Wednesdays at the Malibu Senior Center in the new Malibu City Hall.

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Round out the visitors who had a story to tell at the August 31 Malibu Rotary Club meeting was Kara Seward, Deputy District Director for State Senator Fran Pavley of the 23rd Senate District. She had a couple of printed handouts from Sen. Pavley. One was an 8 page printed version of the Senators August official Newsletter. This included articles on Sen. Pavley's bill SV 723 protecting domestic violence victims, a new law that safeguards against pension abuse in state pension programs, a new law that covers a new therapy for autism, highlights of Governor Brown's recent conference at UCLA, support for going solar, how Feds are following California's Clean Air Standard, a new poll showing how Californians support environmental policies, a redistricting update, sustainability awards (praising Malibu, Santa Monica and unincorporated LA County for banning plastic bags), a story in her Senior Field Representative Max Reyes, and other things hopes to be of interest to her constituents in the 23rd Senate District. The other printed handed given by Kara to those at the meeting was one sponsored by American Automobile Club (AAA) Foundation for Traffic Safety entitled "Pay Attention." Knowing the problems we have on PCH it is an almost cartoon like illustrated booklet on things people should be doing, and even more importantly, not doing, while driving. It says things we already know, like pay attention to driving, don't use cell phones or try to read and eat when driving.

Malibu Rotary Club Booth at the Annual Malibu Kiwanis Chili-Cook Off Labor Day Week End

Maggie has signup sheet for duty hours for Malibu Rotarians at shifts on Saturday September 2nd through Sunday September 4th.

Friday, Sept. 2 - Set up: Kevin, Ashley, Chris, Hubert, Maggie

Saturday, Sept. 3 - 9:00 - 12 Noon - Fred Cornett, Chris

Saturday, Sept. 3 - 12 Noon to 4PM - Margo & Lavern, John Elman, Kevin

Saturday, Sept. 3 - 4PM - 8PM (Clean up til 9PM) - Donna Bohanna, Shannon Gilman, Irna, Maggie & Hubert

Sunday, Sept 4 - 9:00 - 12 Noon - John Elman, Maggie

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The Paul Harris Foundation Event this year will be a special Rotary performance of **Circus Vargas** in Del Amo on November 6. The whole family is invited to this event which will involve having fun watching a circus while raising money for the Rotary Foundation. Details are as follows:

Circus Vargas for Rotary on November 6

Doors open at 11:00 am 🕒 Pre-Show begins at 12:10 pm

Tickets: \$65 adult □ \$35 children under 16

Includes: **Children and adults get one hot dog or nachos, one cotton candy or popcorn, and two beverages.**

Plus, each Adult ticket also gets one deli sandwich.

Del Amo Fashion Center Torrance

3 Del Amo Fashion Square, 3525 Carson Street, Torrance 90503

If you click on the following link you can print out a flyer for the event in pdf format:

[http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5280/HTML/133016/CircusVargasFlyer\[1\].pdf](http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5280/HTML/133016/CircusVargasFlyer[1].pdf)

Rotary Club Vice Presidents of the Month

August: **Bill Wishard**

September: **Maggie Luckerath**

October: **McKade Marshall**

November: **David Baird**

December: **Bob Syvertsen**

Message From Malibu Rotary Club President Kevin Boling



Thirty Five years ago I met a man named Michael Christman. He was the manager of a school photography company called Lifetouch. At the time the company was trying to break into the Riverside Unified School District and I well I was the ASB Vice President at Poly High School. Being the proverbial big shot, I told Mike that I could get his company in with district. I new

people, important people. Mike and I spent countless hours at his office working on the great plan. He finally was awarded the contract for the school district. And I liked to think that maybe in some small way I helped. Probably not, but Mike and I remained friends.

His career culminated with his being the Vice President of Sales for Lifetouch Studios and along the way he was a Rotarian. We stayed in touch and after he retired from Lifetouch he founded *Magis The Performance Company*. Over the past few years I have visited his company website and found the information fascinating. I have told Mike that I always new he was special, but had no idea the depth of his being. Magis is Latin for “greater than or even more.”

Please visit www.thinkmagis.com. It may change the way you think. I know it has for me.

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Kevin

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Marine Sgt Winston Fiore Started his 5,000 mile Cross Country Motorcycle Trip in Malibu. His purpose is to bring awareness of children's cleft palate and raise money for the International Children's Surgical Foundation. The organization provides surgery, training for 3rd world surgeons, and followup care. Malibu Rotary Club is one of his sponsors. One surgery costs \$240. So far he has raised about \$12,000, almost half his goal of \$25,000.

Please see Malibu Rotary Club Website www.maliburotary.org for latest Calendar and future speakers and facebook pages for other news.

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Sep 7 2011

Michael O'Hara

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Sep 14 2011

Dean Reuter

"Membership Ideas from Rotary District & RI"

Dean Reuter, who is the Membership Chairperson for Rotary District 5280 will present material such as media aids offered by Rotary International that can be shown to people who are interested in becoming members and which can be presented at potential "why I should join Rotary" meeting on September 28th.

Sep 28 2011

Kevin Boling et al.

""why I should join Rotary""

Special meeting highlighting accomplishments of Malibu Rotary Club and Rotary International to be presented to potential members.

Oct 26 2011

Colin Macfarlane

"Bangladesh Clubfoot Program"

Colin Macfarlane, a member of Rotary e-Club One in district 5450 and an honorary member of RC Dhaka Buriganga in Bangladesh. his home bases are Melbourne Australia and Dhaka Bangladesh. He will talk about the Bangladesh Clubfoot Project: These children have a future because Rotarians care. 5000 children (maybe 7000 feet) a year are born with clubfeet in Bangladesh : before the program started most went untreated. In just two years we are now approaching 4000 feet under correction by the Ponseti Method. This method involves no invasive surgery and has a 95% success rate in children under 12 months old.

