



Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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**Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Malibu
Malibu Rotary Club President Christopher Bauman**

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- **RI President (2010-2011) Ray Klinginsmith**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2010-2011): Doug Baker**

Highlights from Malibu Rotary Club Board Meeting of Aug.4

Malibu Rotary Club President Chris Bauman presided over a board meeting on August 4th which dealt in two main areas: club finances and committees, and also touched briefly on his recurrent theme of “Club Pillars” and how the Malibu Rotary Club participates in Rotary’s 5 avenues of service.

Most of the time was spent on the 2010-2011 Malibu Rotary Club budget. In fact he showed how all the Avenues of Service are incorporated into the budget, as well as other operating expenses. Chris said that an organization needs a balanced budget in order to exist long term. In recent years the Malibu Rotary Club has operated at a deficit. He said that this cannot continue.

There have been certain programs that the Malibu Rotary Club has contributed to annually from the charity budget, which included contributions to the Rotary Foundation of \$1250.00 and various projects in Avenues of Service. Under vocational service is the singing competition scholarships (usually \$1000.00, but \$1250.00 last year), and the Malibu High School senior scholarships of \$1000 (which could be put under either Community Service or New Generations Service). Last year there were several items in Community Service giving (Better L.A. \$500, Malibu library renovation “New Arrivals” shelves \$500, and other community service items). Another item put in the Avenue of Community Service which could have been put in the New Generations section is the annual RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly) scholarships of \$380. Under International Service \$500 was donated to the BioSand Water Filters Project in Ecuador and \$1000 to the projects the students were doing in Africa.

Chris’s 2011 budget showed a projected income from dues and initiation fees of \$5410. There have been several self-supporting efforts (like raising dues to offset the ridiculous charges Pepperdine is charging for moving tables into our meeting). Projected operating expenses (RI dues, Clubrunner website, Supplies, awards, Postal expenses, Rotary Int’l convention, governor visit, President Elect Training Seminar [PETS], demotion party, chamber membership, presidential expenses) of \$4539. There have been modest fundraising activities such as the \$142 netted selling water at the 2010 Kiwanis Chili Cook off and the \$100 earned by Malibu Rotary volunteers in voting booths. Chris found only leaves a net income of \$871 for charity giving. The 2010 amount of the charity contributions amount to over \$2500. If we are to have a balanced budget it means either doing away with all the worthwhile charity projects or history has been built on, having successful fund raising projects, or continue deficit spending by drawing money out of the dwindling Malibu Rotary Club Trust Account.

Discussion by members seemed to agree that we should continue doing the projects we have been doing. We could meet as a social club but our purpose in being a Rotary Club is to provide community and international services. But while we get regular requests for additional projects

we agreed that we cannot add anymore until we bring in more income, but we voted continue to fund current annual projects by drawing from the Trust Account up to \$2500. The hope is to have more successful fund raisers, which brings us to another topic of discussion—committee.

Chris listed 5 committees, and we talked about 6 committees. Since much of budget discussion had to do with how the club needed to generate money and Kevin Boling had so many ideas and experience doing that with the addition of cooking of not just selling water, but cooking and selling food at the Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off, hoping to make this an event which will take the club out of the deficit spending it has experienced recently. Kevin also has discussed having the Rotary Club cosponsor with the Malibu Chamber a “Men Who Cook” event similar to the one he participated in in Riverside. Also he talked about a spaghetti dinner event that involved various community organizations, including schools, scouts, service clubs, participating and sharing in work. Kevin was made chair of the Service Projects Committee. The club administration committee is headed by Chris, a membership committee which has traditionally been headed by Jack Corrodi, but Jack said because of health he did not want to chair it although he would be on it. Since Margo was not present it was decided that she be one of the chairs of the membership committee. Public Relations committee is chaired by John Elman with Margo. The Rotary Foundation Committee is chaired by Chris.

Another section of Chris’ discussion of club finances had to do with Malibu Rotary Club dues and the policy to deal with the regular members who are behind in dues. Bob Syvertsen said the club bylaws call for action to be taken when a member is behind 90 days. It was decided that at that point the member should have a private meeting with the Finance Committee, made up of the club president, treasurer, and perhaps another person, and the member have a payment plan to become current on dues.

Chris’ Club 3 Pillars


1. Implement successful fundraising and service projects
2. Sustain and grow club membership
3. Have fun!

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Club Meeting

One visiting Rotarian found his way to the Malibu Rotary meeting on Aug. 4th in the Pepperdine Faculty Dining Room, **Bruce Waterson**, who is from a Rotary Club in Atlanta, GA.

The September 4 and 5th Malibu Kiwanis Club Cook Off on the Rotary District 5280 Calendar, accessible online from our club site (www.maliburotary.org) the district website : www.rotary5280la.org, or the website of any other club in the district using Clubrunner.

Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off

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- **Captain:** • **Kevin Boling**
- **Date:** • **Sep 4 2010 at 12:00 PM - Sep 5 2010 at 05:00 PM**
- **Event Fee:** • **\$10.00 per person**
- **Location:** • **Malibu Civic Center**
- • **Civic Center Way**
- • **Corner of Stuart Ranch Rd**
-  **Map** • **Malibu, CA, 90401**
- • **United States**
- **Event Detail:** • **The Annual Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off will be held September 4th and 5th in the Malibu Civic Center area. It is a fund raiser not only for Kiwanis but other service organizations, including Malibu Rotary Club. In addition to selling water, which the Malibu Rotary Club had done for the past several years, Keven Boling will be cooking and selling his award winning Tri-Tip Bar B-Q and burgers in the Malibu Rotary Club booth using his portable barbecue oven. Bring the whole family and enjoy the live music, food and fun.**
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Project TRIUMPH (Today's Revolution Is Understanding; Make Peace Happen) is a grassroots effort to bring Arab and Jewish teenagers together in the spirit of collaboration to build a shared vision for a peaceful future. The

program was conceived by Ilan Magdali of the Newbury Park Rotary Club. It brought 10 teenage Arab and 10 teenage Jewish students from Israel to a leadership camp in Simi Valley where they all learned to work together, develop leaders skills before returning to Israel to use what they learned back home. Most of us feel helpless in trying to find a solution to the constant war in the Middle East, but at least this program is trying to do something. Initially sponsorship of this program had been mostly from the Newbury Park Rotary Club and Rotary Clubs in District 5240 and private and corporate donors. Malibu Rotary Club was the first Rotary Club in Rotary District 5280 to support the project.

Pictured above are the students who were hosted in 2008 as they visited Malibu on their way to the leadership camp. Today the program no longer is bringing the students to the US. There is a partnership with the Rotary Club of Haifa and one in Italy to get Jewish and Arab students out of Israel to a place where they can learn to work together and apply this when they return to Israel. A new Pilot TRIUMPH project is being developed. It concentrates it's efforts on the students in the City of Acre in Israel as a year long program with Jewish and Arab students working together making a video documentary that strives for lifelong results. The new Pilot TRIUMPH project is a non-profit organization with Leon Berg, as its CEO.

If you would like to help with Project TRIUMPH you can contact Shoshana Brower at shobrower@gmail.com or Leon Berg at Leon.Berg@gmail.com.



Malibu Rotary Club Supports BioSand Filters in Ecuador

Malibu Rotary Club voted to send \$500 to the Rotary Club of Pontiac Michigan to help build and install BioSand Filters in Santo Domingo De Los Colorados, Ecuador. As was noted by Carol Cousineau, who, along with husband Ron brought the project to our attention, after installing the first BioSand filters in Ecuador (and pictured left), "That money would be matched by the next District Grant, which we have been assured we will get. So, for instance \$500.00 would become \$750.00.

The filters and two 5 gallon safe water containers per unit, cost around \$60.00 each, so a donation of \$500.00 would provide 12 families of five or more with 20 gallons of water each day - enough for drinking, cooking, brushing teeth, bathing and washing clothes! The filters

are expected to last at least 50 years without the need to add any expense except chlorine - available and inexpensive. That means each family will have more money to provide more nutritious food for their families, since they don't have to pay for propane to boil their water. It will mean more time to spend with their children, rather than boiling or foraging for firewood. With great improvement in the health of all the family members, fewer cases of diarrhea and stomach flu from bad water and parasites, the parents will better be able to hold down a job and provide for their families, children will be able to attend school more days and have a better future.

We are excited about this project because we anticipate that this is just the beginning. All over Ecuador, there are families struggling to survive, with a high infant mortality rate, because of bad water. This successful project will be a shining example and model. Rotary is the perfect vehicle for getting the word out about BioSand and accomplishing the goal of providing safe drinking water for the world. **BioSand** is one of the four methods of purifying water recommended for Third World Countries by the World Health Organization. (We have researched the others. Since they provide only a small amount of water for drinking, are small and ceramic, so more susceptible to breakage or deterioration, or adding so much chlorine that the people won't drink it, the concrete BioSand is by far the best choice for all but mountainous areas, where a more expensive plastic version of BioSand is an alternative.)”

For a while it looked like the matching grant process was not going to happen. When Malibu Rotarian Bill Wishard visited Ecuador in March, 2010, he was able to meet with Ecuador Past District 4400 Governor, Juan Prinz, to get project back on track.

Upcoming Programs

August 11, 2010 **Scott Wagenseller** Chairman of the Board of the Malibu Chamber of Commerce and head of Gates Security

August 25, 2010 - Fireside Room is not available. Meeting venue to be announced

September 4 & 5—Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off (with Malibu Rotary Club participation)

September 8, 2010 **Bob Brager** "Update on Legacy Park"

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