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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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Malibu Rotary Club President of Record Bill Wishard

Malibu Rotary Club President of the Month (December) Bill Wishard

Malibu Rotary Club President Elect Bianca Torrence

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- **Last Week December 14 Malibu Holiday Party** in Wine Room in Tra di Noi Restaurant at Malibu Country
- **Next Week: No Meeting!**
- **Next Regular Malibu Rotary Club Noon Meeting January 4** in LC 152 on the Pepperdine campus—This will be another club assembly continuing discussion of Malibu Turkey Trot and other plans for year
- Check **Calendar** on Malibu Rotary website **www.maliburotary.org**
- **Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org**
- **Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280.org/**
- **RI President (2016-2017) John F. Germ**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2016-2017) Greg O'Brien**

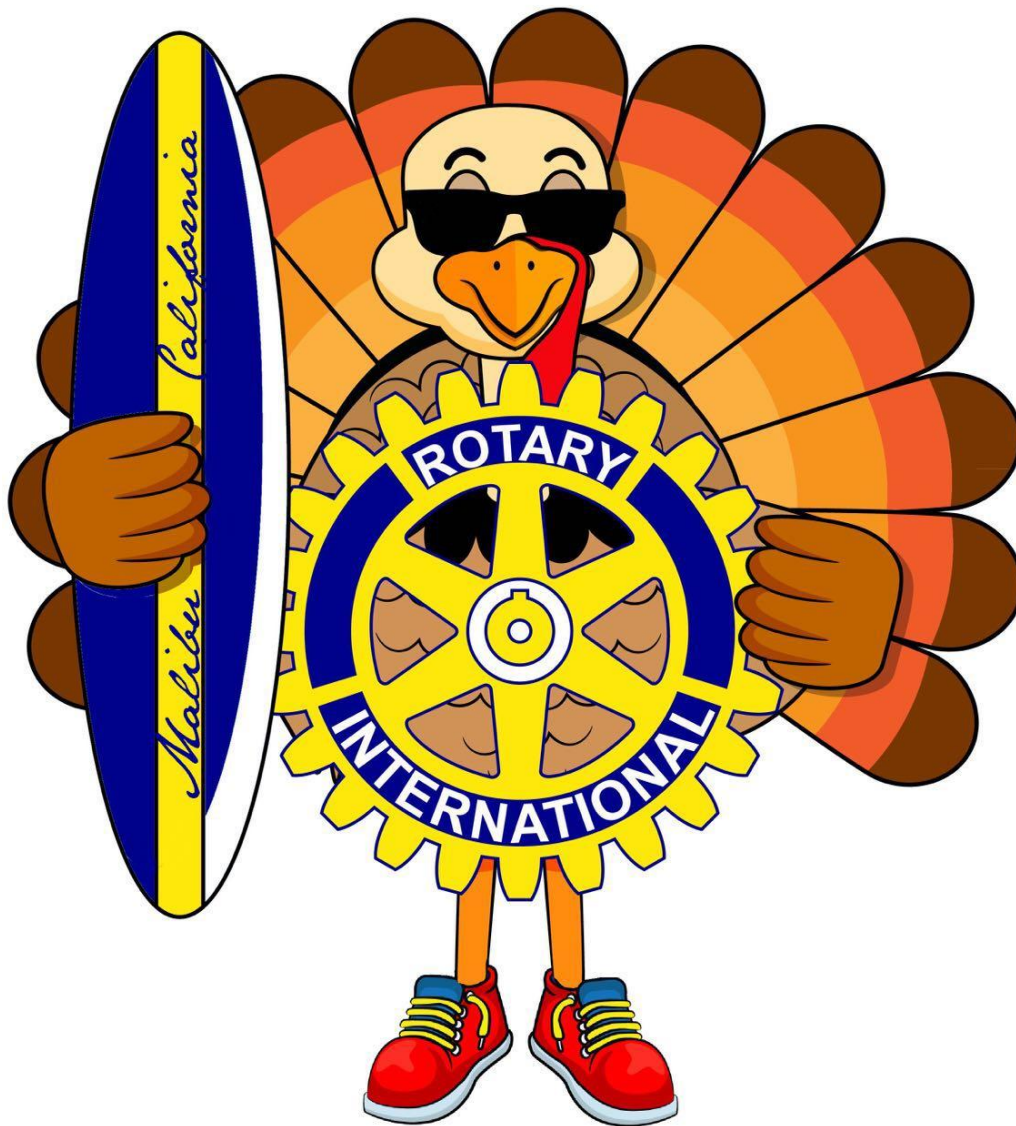
Malibu Rotary Club Holiday Party

Carlye Rudkin arranged for a lovely December 14 Holiday Party in Wine Room in Tra di Noi Restaurant at Malibu Country Mart. Carlye appropriately supplied wine for our our 3 course dinner in the Wine Room. The food and fellowship were great as expected. Although this counted as the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of the week there was no speaker, but a lot of conversations between Rotary members at the 4 tables in the small room. There were 8 Rotarians and 7 guests. Rotarians enjoying the festive evening were President **Bill Wishard, David Baird, John Elman, Allan Mannheim, Margo Neal, Carlye Rudkin, Bob Syvertsen,** and **Bianca Torrence.** The guests were Margo's husband **LaVern Schenkelberg,** Carlye's husband **Don Rudkin,** Bob's wife **Jean Syvertsen** and Bianca's significant other, **John Johannessen.** The other guests at the meeting were familiar guests: **Charlene Dankanyan, Michelle Santamaria,** and **Michael Gose.**



Michael was introduced by Pepperdine Seaver College Dean Emeritus W. David Baird. Michael is a Professor of Humanities at Pepperdine University's Seaver College, with a bachelor's degree in English from Occidental College, a Masters degree and Ph.D in Education from Stanford University as well as a Master's degree in Religion from Pepperdine. Significant for the Malibu Rotary Club is that Michael had agreed to be faculty advisor for a Malibu Rotary Club sponsored Rotaract Club at Pepperdine. Although most of the inquiries about a Rotaract Club at Pepperdine have come freshman students at Pepperdine who have been introduced to Rotary because of their high school Interact Clubs, RYLA or other youth sponsored programs in the United States, Michael feels that foreign students may be interested in Rotaract because many of them have trouble socializing with the American students and also because of the international nature of Rotary, the youth foreign exchange and Ambassadorial Scholarships that have brought foreign students here, Pepperdine's foreign students may also be familiar with Rotary and be attracted to a Pepperdine Rotaract Club.

Malibu Rotarians discuss the Malibu Rotary Sposored 2017 Malibu Turkey Trot



Discussion of Turkey will be continued at next Malibu Rotary Club meeting.

Annual Malibu Rotary Sponsored Middle and High School Singing Competition

Margo informed the club that the Annual Malibu Rotary Club Middle and High School has been scheduled for the Raitt Recital Hall at 6:00 p.m. January 18th. That was the date scheduled for Ken Chung to speak to the club about membership Ken has tentatively been rescheduled for January 25. There will be no noon meeting the day for the singing competition. All Rotarians and guests should attending the entertaining singing competition—one of the most entertaining events of the year. The past 2 winners of the Malibu Rotary Club High School Singing Competition have were among the top entrants at the Rotary District Arts Competition and are both at Julliard now.

Rotary District Events

Humanitarian Trip to Merida, Mexico will take place January 25-30 2017, and will feature Rotarians participating in 7 different humanitarian projects. Margo is going on trip. She said that the district is asking each Rotary Club in the Los Angeles district to contribute something towards a Rotary project in Merida.

Rotary District Leadership Skills Courses.will take place February 4 and 11th

Malibu Rotary Club Presidents of the Month (2016-2017)

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August 2016-----Margo Neal

September 2016—David Zielski

October 2016-----John Elman

November 2016—W. David Baird

December 2016—Bill Wishard

January 2017-----Robert "Bob" Syvertsen

Februay 2017-----John Elman

March 2017-----**W. David Baird**
April 2017-----**Margo Neal**
May 2017-----**Robert "Bob" Syverstsen**
June 2017-----**David Zielski**

CALENDAR (see up to date calendar on maliburotary.org)

- **December 21 and 28 No meetings**
- **January 11 2017 Robert Ryans Speaking on Human Trafficking**
- **January 18 2017 -- Annual Malibu Rotary Sponsored Middle and High School Singing Competition at 6:00 p.m. at Rait Recital Hall on Pepperdine main campus—No noon meeting at Pepperdine Drescher campus**
- **January 25 2017 (tentative) Ken Chong on “Membership”--** Ken Chong is Past President of LA 5 and membership chair Rotary District 5280. He was featured speaker at Governor Elect Seminar in San Diego because of his creative ideas.