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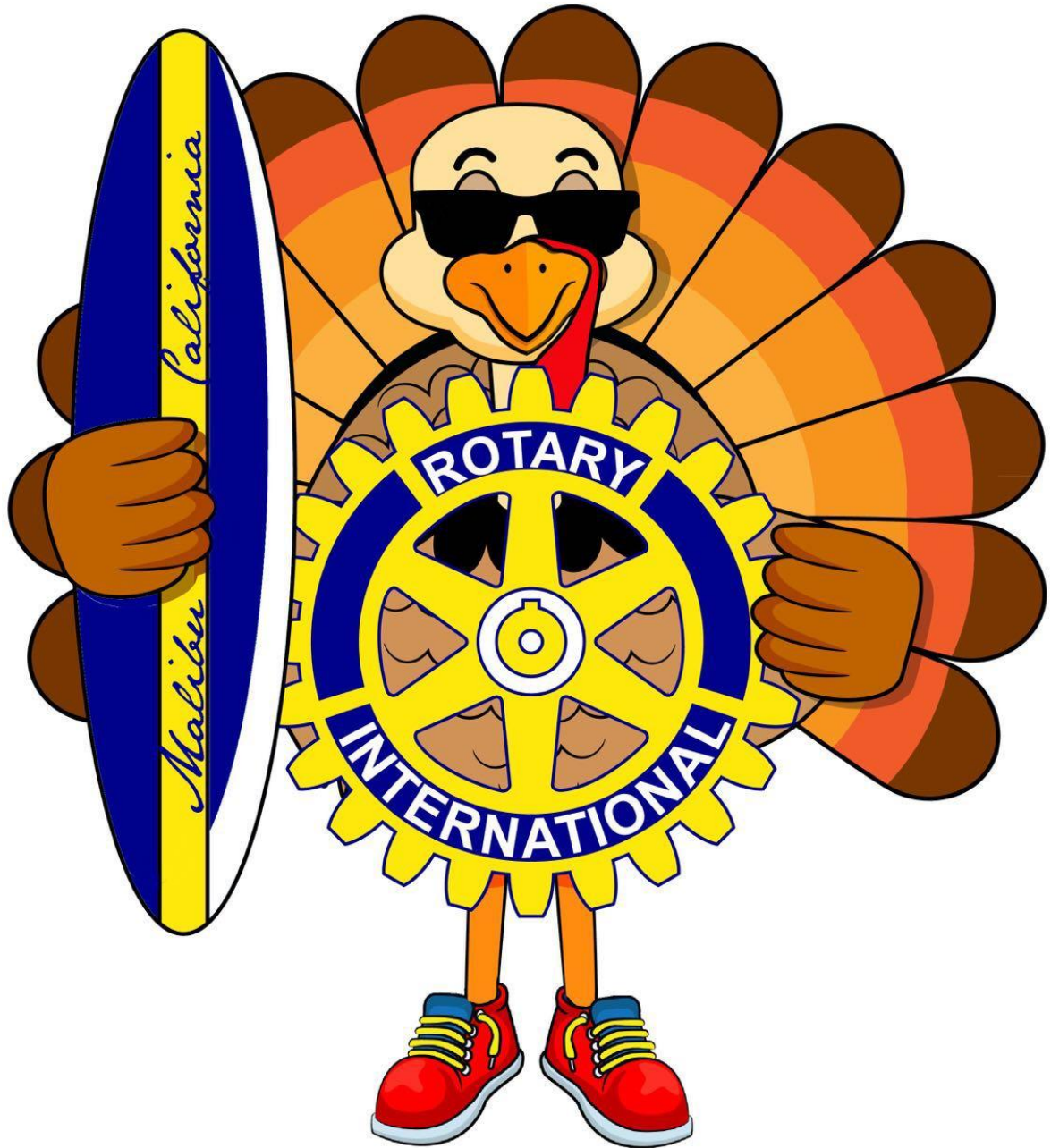
Malibu Rotary Club President Elect Bianca Torrence

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- **Last Week: Malibu Rotarians discuss the Malibu Rotary Sposored 2017 Malibu Turkey Trot and other matters at Club Assembly**
- **Next Week: December 14 Malibu Holiday Party** in Wine Room in Tra di Noi Restaurant at Malibu Country Mart at 6:00 p.m. (no noon 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](http://www.maliburotary.org)**
- **Rotary International Website: [www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org)**
- **Rotary District 5280 Website:[www.rotary5280.org/](http://www.rotary5280.org/)**
- **RI President (2016-2017) John F. Germ**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2016-2017) Greg O'Brien**

**Malibu Rotarians discuss the Malibu Rotary Sposored 2017 Malibu Turkey Trot**



Originally the December 7 Malibu Rotary Club meeting was supposed to feature a craft talk by newest member Teresa Le Grove, but due a family illness she was unable to attend. Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard took the opportunity to turn this into a Club Assembly in which he and President-Elect could talk about the Pre-PETS conference they attended the previous weekend and also discuss the feasibility of the planned Malibu Turkey Trot, the large fund raiser tentatively planned for Thanksgiving Morning, November 23, 2017.

Bianca handed out sheet from the Pre-PETS session on the 2016 Council on Legislation Updates. Among items on this sheet was the flexibility, formal, and attendance of Rotary meetings. We had discussed the changes in requirements for weekly meetings. Weekly club meetings are no longer required. Clubs can meet in person or on line or both. Clubs must meet at least twice per month. Typically Rotary has had two types of membership, active and honorary. Clubs can now offer additional types such as associate, corporate, and family, as long as they report these individuals as active members and collect RI membership dues from them. The Rule of 85 says the roarians can be excused from attendance if these 2 conditions are met: They have been a member of one or more Rotary clubs for at least 25 years, and their years of club membership plus their age equal at least 85. In order to facilitate the transition from Rotaract to Rotary, the RI Bilaws now permit Rotaractors who meet the qualifications from membership to join a Rotary club while remaining Rotaract members.

Bill said that it is important to have positions on the board filled with people who have accepted and will carry out the duties of these positions. All the positions of the 2017-2018 Club Board should be filled by our next regular meeting January 4.

Much of the meeting was devoted to discussing if and how the Malibu Rotary Club can have the Turkey Trot as a fundraiser. Margo went to a Turkey Trot in Palm Desert, and it, like apparently most Turkey Trots across the country, was very successful.

It is too large an undertaking for the Malibu Rotary Club to do alone. There was discussion about partnering with another organization (like the City of Malibu). Bianca said that for a fee certain comes will provide a turnkey operation in planning a run and providing services the day of the fun. She said that she had previously spoken to one of the premier companies that do this—Xterra. She thinks the cost of this might be in the neighborhood of \$8,000-\$10,000. Bianca has already gotten potential sponsors. There was question of who will be the recipient charity in addition to the Malibu Rotary Club. In the past we had discussed the Malibu Urgent Care Center non-profit Friends of the Malibu Urgent Care Center as the other recipient.

After the meeting Bianca contacted Brennan Lindner of XTERRA Generic Events, a company that puts on local Turkey Trot events. Since they do these other local was not surprising when Bianca received the following e-mail:

“Sounds exciting, but we actually have our largest event of the year in downtown Los Angeles on Thanksgiving, and would not be able to produce a quality third event (we have another event in Topanga Canyon as well) on the same day.

So I'm sorry to say, that we are not available.

Brennan Lindner”

Bianca spoke with Alberto and has a meeting set up to go over details with the person that organizes the Malibu 1/2 marathon event. She will update the club soon on what she finds out.

### **Malibu Rotary Club Holiday Party**

Carlye has confirmed December 14 Holiday Party in Wine Room in Tra di Noi Restaurant at Malibu Country Mart at 6:00 p.m. (no noon meeting)—Cost of \$37.00/person includes tax and tip. Menu is salad, entrée choice of Chicken Marsala or Salmone, and Tiramisu for desert. Carlye may throw in a bottle or 2 of her Malibu wine. RSVP to Carlye Rudkin. Space limited to first 20.

### **Other Items and Guests at Last Malibu Rotary Club meeting**

Bill had made a proposal that since the club pay for both he and Bianca to attend the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta. The club usually pays the President-Elect \$1500 for expenses to domestic RI convention and \$2000 for international RI Convention. Both Bianca and Bill are going. He suggested that the club pay \$1000 each for going. Treasurer Carlye Rudkin there is not enough in the budget for that, but since \$500 was allocated for Rotary District convention money might be taken out of that for RI convention instead.

### **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 18<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **Guests**

The only guest at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting was PDG **Tom Bos** from Holland, Michigan, who is hardly a guest in the winter since he attends more meetings than many Malibu Rotarians.

## **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 11<sup>th</sup>

## **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](http://maliburotary.org))**

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- **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.**