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- Malibu Rotary Club Website: www.MalibuRotary.org

Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org

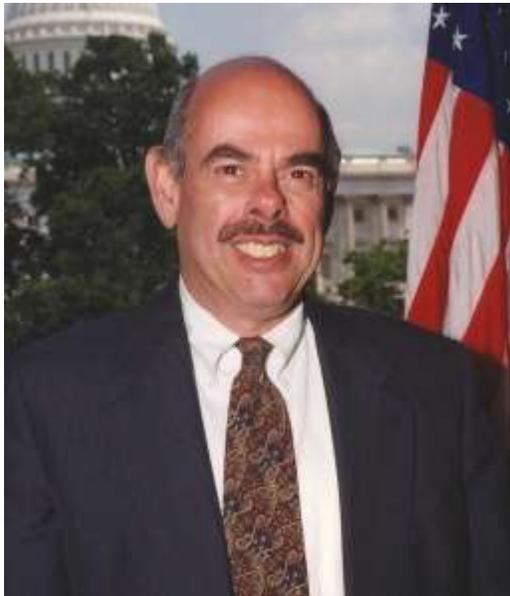
Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280la.org

Rotary District 5280 “Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians” Website: <http://yp5280.org/>

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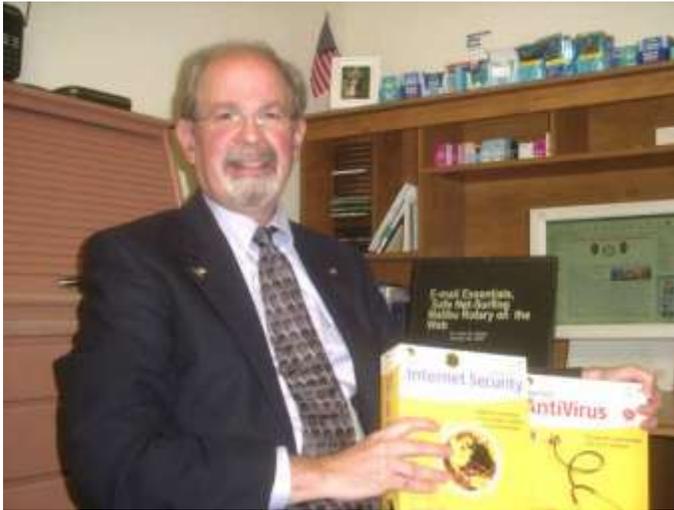


Congressman Henry A Waxman of the 30th District in California, will speak at a special meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club held on Friday, February 19th at 8:30 a.m. in the Grazadio Executive Center of Pepperdine University in Malibu.

Rep. Waxman is the Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee and has served in congress since 1974. He has been a major proponent of healthcare reform. His district includes Malibu, Santa Monica, Pacific Palisades, West Los Angeles, West Hollywood, and Beverly Hills. The cost is \$30. Part of the cost will go to victims in Haiti. You must rsvp to attend. No walk-ins. Please call Holmes Osborne at 310-442-9931 or email at holmesosborne@holmesosborne.com or sign up on line clicking the event link on the **CALENDAR** of the

MalibuRotary.org website.

John W Elman on “What’s New on the Malibu Rotary Club Website in 2010”



On a morning when we finally were able to get the projector to work and get connected to the internet in the Fireside Room I was able to demonstrate the information, communication abilities, and value of the Clubrunner hosted Malibu Rotary Club website at www.maliburotary.org.

Home page has links to all issues of the *Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter* since January, 2009. Anyone in the world can send an e-mail to any member of the board of directors by clicking on the names of the board members on the right

side of the home page. There are links to Rotary International and Rotary District people. There is also a link to Rotary District 5280 Business Yellow Pages, where Rotarians throughout the district can list their business services for “Rotarians doing business with Rotarians,” where you know your going to find a business person who embraces the 4 Way Test. Near the top of the front page there will always be an announcement of the time, place, speaker, and topic of the next meeting. A list of upcoming events and speakers of the Malibu Rotary Club can be seen by clicking [CALENDAR](#) or [SPEAKERS](#) on the blue tool bar at the top of the home page.

The extreme communication value of the website is seen when members log into the site. Each member of the club has been assigned a login ID and password. I have sent this login information to every member of the club and demonstrated how it can be used to do many things. In the upper right hand corner of every webpage of the clubrunner site is a HELP link. It answers most questions about how to use the site, and many of the features even have video help links.

After logging in you can open the administration page and go to the “My Club Runner” where everyone in the club can edit and add their personal information, biography, upload pictures, view club Photo Directory, and also see information about other club members. I have taken at least one picture of everyone in the club and loaded it into our roster. If you don’t like the picture I took you can upload your own preferred picture. In the “My Club Runner” section there is also an e-mail message center where you can compose and send e-mail, not only to every member and honorary member of our club, but you can send e-mail to club officers of every other club in the district and to other people that you have chosen to include in a “My Friends” file. In each group you can select who in the group you want include or exclude from the e-mail message. New features are being added all the time, like one to allow billing online. There are also sections to create club committees and duty rosters. In another section of the Admin page called the “Meeting Services” section you can view your attendance report and report make-ups (other Rotary events you have attended when you have missed your own clubs meeting).

Ask me if there is something about Malibu Rotary Club website you need help with, but check out the HELP link first.



Malibu Rotary Club to Support 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.)”

Guests and Other News from Last Malibu Rotary Meeting

Guest at the February 3 Malibu Rotary Club was **Ed Gillespie**, long time Malibu Planning Commissioner, who was introduced by Jack Corrodi, and who will be initiated into the club as a member at the next meeting with classification Yacht Broker

Geoff Ortiz announced that a date of March 13 has been set for the next Malibu Rotary Club—Pepperdine Rotaract Adopt A Highway Cleanup. Details will and signups will be on the Malibu Rotary Club website maliburotary.org EVENT CALENDAR. Geoff also announced that the Malibu Stage Repertory Presents **THREE TALL WOMEN**, opening February 12, and running through March 7, 2010 at Malibu Stage Company. For more information visit website at MalibuStageCompany.org



Project TRIUMPH program was conceived by Ilan Magdali of the Newbury Park Rotary Club. The program 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 Mid East, but at least this program is trying to do something. Sponsorship of this program has been mostly from the Newbury Rotary Club and Rotary Clubs in District 5240. Malibu Rotary Club was the first Rotary Club in Rotary District 5280 to support this project

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