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- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
- Rotary District 5280 Website: <a href="https://www.rotary5280.org/">www.rotary5280.org/</a>
- RI President (2014-2015) Gary CK Huang
- Rotary District 5280 Governor (2014-2015): Elsa Gilham

# Sade Obanwo Explains Why You Should Consider "Science Care whole body donor program."



Sade Obanwo is Western **Community Relations** Manager for Science Care, company that gives good use to your body when you don't need it any more. She explained the **Science** Care program at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting on February 25.

Science Care was founded in 2000 with the vision to become the world's leading whole body donation program. Under the leadership of James Rogers, Founder and CEO, Science Care

became the first non-transplant organization to earn accreditation by the American Association

of Tissue Banks. It has trained over 55,000 surgeons and physicians at its medical training facilities. It's headquartered in Arizona. The local office is at 3939 Conant St. in Long Beach, Califonia. It also has offices in Colorado, Florida, and New Jersey (medical training only).

Science Care whole body donors have accelerated research on many fronts leading to the development of new medical devices and safer, more effective treatment for patients.

"At Science Care, we provide the opportunity to make possible donors' and their families' wishes to leave a lasting legacy. Our donors know that their last act is a selfless act of giving to improve the welfare of humankind, and that gift provides hope for future generations."

Science Care serves the U.S. and global medical research and development communities with donation centers across the United States (Los Angeles, Phoenix, Denver, Miami, and Philadelphia) as well as through its nationwide network of partner lab facilities. They focus on four key areas:

#### **Safety**

Its donor evaluation process includes a complete medical and social history of each donor, and safe blood testing to ensure the safety and suitability of the donation. It meets or exceeds all OSHA standards, including a hazardous communication plan and stringent training including extensive policies and procedures to ensure compliance and safety.

#### Consistency

Science Care was founded in 2000, and has a long history of linking whole body donors with medical researchers and educators, and it actively lobby for responsible non-transplant tissue banking.

#### **Staffing**

They have a highly trained, professional staff, including a licensed medical director. All employees go through a detailed background check before hiring.

#### **Availability**

It provides outstanding customer support and responds promptly to all inquires. Customer Support is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week via its toll-free phone line, 800.417.3747.

As an alternative to traditional burial, funeral, or cremation, Science Care's whole body donation program offers the chance to make a contribution that benefits others. By providing a vital service and a pathway to greater knowledge and discovery, together we can help save lives, advance medical research and education, and improve quality of life for families and the community.

Here are just a few of the areas in which Science Care donors have made a contribution to medical research and education:

Heart disease, Diabetes, HIV, Spinal injuries. Joint replacements, Cancer research, Osteoporosis, Colon and liver treatments' Breast cancer, Reproductive advancements, Advanced drug delivery, Paramedic training, Alzheimer's research and Cochlear implant developments.

Free Cremation with Real Benefits to Your Family and the Community

#### DONATING YOUR BODY TO SCIENCE

"At Science Care, our program strives to help meet the needs of the medical community while fulfilling your wishes and making the process simple and helpful for your family members. Making a whole body donation is one of the most compassionate funeral alternatives available. When you donate your body to science, Science Care can eliminate and cover all of the costs in addition to the many other benefits to society. With the rising costs of living and final arrangements, whole body donation can be a real blessing not only for medical researchers but for family members."

Whole Body Donation Benefits Include:

- Honoring your wish to leave a lasting legacy for future generations
- Free cremation and transportation from the location of passing
- A simple process; pre-registration is not required to donate

- Filing of the death certificate
- Return of cremated remains in 3-5 weeks
- Letter after donation updating family members on current research projects and the impact your donation has made to society
- Memorial tree planting at the one-year anniversary of donation through our Memory in Nature program supporting forests in need in partnership with the Arbor Day Foundation

#### **Organ Donation**

#### HELP SAVE LIVES

Did you know? There is an overwhelming need for both organ donation for life saving needs and whole body donation for medical research and training. Whole body donation can further the knowledge and skills of physicians and surgeons, and can improve the quality of life for generations of patients to come. Organ donation for transplant is equally important. According to the American Transplant Foundation, more than 123,000 people in the United States are currently on the waiting list for a lifesaving organ transplant.

With the Science Care whole body donor program, most often individuals can be BOTH organ donors for transplant purposes as well as whole body donors for medical research and education. Organ donation for transplant takes first priority due to its inherent life-saving nature. Simply let your loved ones know of your desire to help both with transplant and research. The Science Care Donor Services Coordinators will collaborate with the local transplant group to help facilitate both types of donation.

Locally the Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) is CAOP - OneLegacy Los Angeles, CA. (213) 229-5600 (http://www.onelegacy.org/prod/components/index.html).

#### DONATING YOUR BODY TO SCIENCE

Science Care has outlined the basic procedure for donating your body to Science Care on its website www.sciencecare.com and made the process as straightforward as possible, not only to be efficient, but to keep it very simple for your loved ones or caregivers at a difficult time.

It starts with a short medical screening by phone (800.417.3747) at the time of passing to determine if there is a match with current research criteria.

If under hospice care, this medical screening can be done ahead of time through the Science Care HOPE Program: A Guarantee for Hospice Patients.

Science Care will then coordinate and/or confirm proper, legal authorization is on file.

Upon acceptance, Science Care will then coordinate donor transportation to a Science Care facility.

Upon acceptance, Science Care covers all costs of donation, including cremation, transportation, filing of the death certificate and the return of cremated remains.

The costs of donation, transportation, cremation, and all the other expenses are paid Science Care by the medical research institutions.

### Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

#### March 11 Malibu Rotary Club Meeting in the Fireside Room on Pepperdine main campus

The Malibu Rotary Club will be back in Fireside Room, the same Room the club met in for breakfast for 18 years (from 1985 to 2013) for the Malibu Rotary Club meeting March 11, 2015. This noon meeting will be special in several ways. It will feature Pepperdine Registrar Hung Le who will talk about his experience having to leave his family in worn torn Vietnam at age 11, will not only be a Rotary meeting but a Pepperdine University convocation. As such it is anticipated that 40 to 100 students may attend. **Shannon Latson** had recommended that we do something special for the students, and at our February 11 meeting it was decided that Malibu Rotary Club bring cookies for desert—students can bring lunches from the cafeteria which is next to the Fireside Room. Malibu Rotary Club members should arrive at 11:30 a.m. Get token from guard gate for visitor parking in Smothers lot.

Margo again talked about the Rotary District "3-2-1- Go To End Polio" Day at Griffith Park on March 21. It is a 5 K / 10 K Run or Walk and Family Festival with the Start and Finish Line at Griffith Park at Chrystal Springs. The 10 K Run starts at 9:00 a.m and 5 K walk at 10:00 a.m., which is also when the Family Fun Festival Starts—there is also a 1 mile fun walk and lunch by IN-N-Out Burger starting at 11:30 a.m..and a raffle. All proceeds will go to END POLIO NOW, a humanitarian program of Rotary International to eradicate polio worldwide. Register on line at www.321gotoendpolio.com.

David Zielski to report on PETS and Bill Wishard appointed Rotary District Special

**Olympics Czar** 



Can you find our President Elect Dave in Rick Mendoza's picture of all the District 5280 President Elects at 2015 PETS?

Dave Zielski wasn't the only Malibu Rotarian who was at PETS last weekend (Feb 20-22). Dave was there because all Rotary Club Presidents must attend PETS before they can become club president. Bill Wishard went there too, because he wanted to know if the Rotary District was doing anything special for the Special Olympics games being staged in Los Angeles July 25 - August 2, 2015. He asked District Governor Elect DJ Sun what his plans were for the games. Who was coordinating it for the Rotary District? DJ said he hadn't had time about, but knowing of Bill's experience with the 1984 Olympics that were held in Los Angeles, DJ announced the next morning that a new position had just been created in the Rotary District for the 2015 Special Olympics and Bill was in charge.

#### Guests at the last Malibu Rotary Club

Guests at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting Feb 18 included Rotary Past District Governor **Tom Bos**, our regular winter guest from Holland, Michigan; **Tiffany Venalde** of AssistedHomeLiviing.com whos is soon to become a member of the Malibu Rotary Club, **Allison Kim**, who will be Malibu Rotary Club speaker on March 25 with a program on "Life-Work Balance--When Your Lifestyle Demands More Than What's Humanly Possible, "as well as **Chris Bashaw** of the *Malibu Surfside News*.

### Malibu Rotary Club Supports RainCatcher

Clean drinking water is a problem affecting millions of people around the world. A Malibu company, RainCatcher, is trying to solve the problem in an efficient manner. Much of their work has been in Africa. The Malibu Rotary Club along with the Rotary Clubs of Beverly Hills, CA USA and the Rotary

Club of Entebbe, Uganda has applied for a Rotary Foundation Grant to assist Raincatcher. There are several videos available on You Tube that show the amazing things Raincatcher is doing bringing clean drinking water to places in Uganda and Kenya where there was previously no clean drinking water.

David Zielski, Executive Director of Raincatcher, makes regular trips to Uganda and Kenya to do Raincatcher installations and maintenance. In February The latest video showing what David and the Raincatcher people are doing in Africa was shown at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting on August 20. A link to the video is now on the Maliburotary.org website. The direct link to the video is at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59rzOcM-RLo&list=UUFetq8NgjhXhtkVf0idcQUg

## Calendar (for details on these programs see maliburotary.org)

March 4, 2015

Malibu Rotary Club President Elect **David Zielski** will talk about his experience at PETS 2015 – and give a Preview of the 2015-2016 Rotary year

Mar 11, 2015

Hung Le

### In God's Perfect Time (meeting in Fireside Room, Pepperdine main campus)

Hung Le is Pepperdine University's Registrar. Separated from his family at the age of 11, Hung recounts the stories of his coming to America as a refugee from war-torn Vietnam, without his family, and finding the power of God's faithfulness through trials and triumphs.

This is the 4th in Malibu Rotary Club's Exclusive Series of Consequences of Vietnam War.

# March 18 2015 – Report by Margo on Rotary District Humanitarian Trip to Guatemala

In Room LC 152 of Pepperdine University Drescher Campus Malibu Rotary Club President Mago Neal talks about her recent trip with 84 Rotarians and friends as they went on Humanitarian trip to Guatemala. The itinerary was changed a bit when a volcano erupted near their hotel. Fellowship at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at Noon.

March 25 2015 Allison Kim "Life-Work Balance--When Your Lifestyle Demands More Than What's Humanly Possible "