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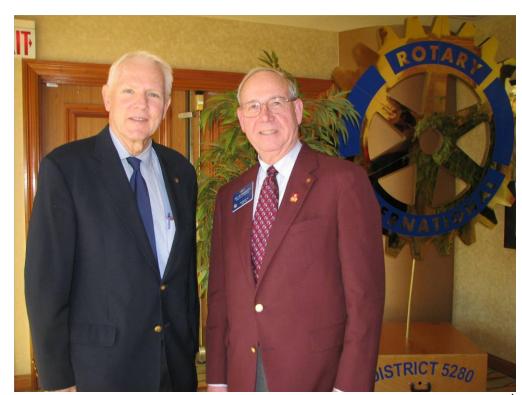
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- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
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- Rotary District 5280 "Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians" Website: <u>http://yp5280.org/</u>
- <u>RI President (2010-2011)</u> Ray Klinginsmith
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When scheduled speaker Rhiannon Bailard was unable to be at the January 19th Malibu Rotary Club meeting, Malibu and Rotary Club President Chris **Bauman** had to go to a special Pepperdine budget meeting, it left President-Elect Kevin Boling in charge. and ample

opportunity for **Bill Wishard** to talk about the lunch meeting on January 13th at the Manhattan Beach Marriott where Bill was able to renew acquaintance with Rotary International President **Ray Klinginsmith** (pictured with Bill above) in an all district event.

It's hard to say that in any gathering in which Kevin is left in charge, that anyone in the room will have ample opportunity to talk, but Kevin didn't interrupt Bill too many times while Bill tried to describe what transpired at the President's luncheon, and our Rotary Assistant Governor **Linton Morgan**, who was at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting as well as the RI President's lunch, was able to corroborate Bill's description.

The week of the RI President's luncheon all the Rotary Clubs in District 5280 were supposed to go dark so that all the Rotary Club presidents and all the Rotary Club members could go to this special RI President luncheon. The Malibu Rotary Club did the first part—we were dark, had no regular Rotary Club meeting the week of the RI president's luncheon—(although the evening of January 12th Malibu Rotary Club had the very successful Middle and High School music competition at Pepperdine's Stauffer Chapel). In complying with the second—the club president and members attending the luncheon—that didn't happen for Malibu Rotary. Only Bill Wishard went to this important event representing the Malibu Rotary Club.

Bill said that except for the Malibu Rotary club, all the club presidents attended, and each club was represented by multiple members from each club who were sitting at tables of 10. A point was made that as each club was announced only the club president was allowed to stand, and that

the members of the respective clubs could then applaud and make noise in support of his or her club. Bill didn't know what he should do. What he could do? He was not the club president and he couldn't applaud himself (we know if Kevin were there he would have managed to applaud himself and start a chant for UWS—United Waste Systems, his company). Bill was there alone sitting at a table that was occupied, except for Bill, with members of the Latinos Unidos Rotary Club. While the names of the other clubs were being called, Bill asked the members of the Latinos Unidos Rotary Club sitting around him to applaud and make noise when "Malibu" was announced. They did. In fact the Malibu Rotary Club got as much applause and noise as any club announced. So the members of the Malibu Rotary Club owe the members of the Latinos Unidos Rotary Club a debt of gratitude for keeping the Malibu Rotarians from the humiliating scorn of absolute silence when the club name was announced. Nuestros amigos, *Muchas Gracias!*

Bill, who is an event planner, gives low marks to the Manhattan Beach Marriott Hotel for several things. Although a hamburger and fries was flown out from RI President Ray Klinginsmith's favorite restaurant in his hometown of Kirksville, Missouri, the menu of beef hamburger and fries was the only one for everyone who paid the \$50.00 per plate admission to the luncheon, whether they were a vegetarian or not. Bill said that there was a large bowl of mixed salad sitting in the center of each table, with dressing in containers to the side of the bowl. But there were no salad plates offered to serve the salad! Bill said he was able to get the attention of one of the servers to ask about this. The server said she didn't know how the salad was to be served either, but would find out. She left and never returned. Bill said he was able to find some plates so that he and the rest of Latinos Unidos were able eat the salad. He was not sure if people at the other tables were able to get salad plates. While each guest at the meal had no salad plate, each guest did have three (3) individually sealed miniature bottles of condiments—catsup, poupon mustard, and mayonaise. There were 10 sets of each of these condiments at each table. Bill brought samples of the three individually sealed miniature bottles of condiments to the Malibu Rotary Club meeting and put them on the podium. Oh, and another reason for the Marriott's low marks---the sound system in the room was so poor Bill could hardly hear President Klinginsmith's remarks.

Linton Morgan said that President Klinginsmith talked about the Rotary's \$200 million challenge for polio eradication. Rotarians need to raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families. As of November Rotarians had raised over \$155 million towards the \$200 million challenge, so it appears the polio eradication that is 99% done, is on track to be completely done.

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting



President-Elect **Kevin Boling** talked briefly about the post Holiday Gift exchange in which this editor complained about the hot, spicy marinara sauce served at Guido's Restaurant. Maybe it's called Pasta Raviata, and one chef on line describes this as "angry pasta." Because this was something that involved food, controversy, and possibly money, Kevin decided to chime in with the idea that the Malibu Rotary Club should have a "Marinara Off." Specifically in an e-mail last week he wrote: "Let's have a marinera sauce contest or at least a taste off at an upcoming meeting I'll throw in \$100 to start the pot and the winner (BEST SAUCE) as voted by the members and guests gets all the collected money. A blind taste test so there will be no cheating. That's a disclaimer for when I win!" Since Kevin had the podium at the Malibu Rotary meeting of January 19th he declared that the date of "Marinara Off" will be at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting on March 16th. He said everyone should whip up his/her own version of Marinara sauce, made from scratch-no bottled sauce allowed. The sauces will be heated up at the

meeting and there will be a blind taste test. All entrants contribute an entry fee and the profits will be split between the entrants and the club.

When Kevin saw the three miniature bottles of condiments brought by Bill from the table of RI President's luncheon last week he saw another opportunity for a Malibu Rotary Club fundraiser, auctioning off the set off condiment bottles. Somehow he got them auctioned off for about \$27.00 or something with the winners (or were they losers?) who split the donation being **Margo Neal, David Baird,** and guest **Linton Morgan.**

In addition to telling us about the RI President's luncheon **Bill Wishard** told us about his experience being an alternate on the Rotary District 5280 Governor Nominating Committee. He said that previously the nominating committee consisted only of past district governors, but the committee has been expanded. The official date for nomination of the next Rotary District Governor-Nominee is Saturday, January 29th.

Kudos to **Geoff Ortiz** for another fantastic Annual Malibu Rotary Club Senior and Middle School Singing Competition on January 12^{th} (pictured below). The Stauffer Chapel venue was one that everyone seemed to like and we will probably have the music competition there in the future. Geoff also announced the newest production at Malibu Stage, an original production of *A Night At The Oscars* playing from February 11^{th} through March 20^{th} .



Linton Morgan announced that it was time for those wishing to go the District trip to Dominican Republic to participate in various projects there to get applications in.

Guests

There were three visitors at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of January 19th: Jack Corrodi's wife **Kay Corrodi**, Assistant Governor **Linton**

Morgan who always contributes so much at each visit, and sculptress **Danielle Anjou**, whom we are hoping will be transferring her Rotary membership from the Rotary Club of Montecito.

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 become \$750.00."

Malibu Rotary Club President Chris Bauman signed papers in November, 2010 for the Bio Sand Filters Michigan Rotary District Simplified Grant.

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

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

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Speakers

Jan 26 2011 Ben Allen "Whats New in the SMMUSD"

Attorney Ben Allen is the youngest School Board member of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. He is also the only member who went through the district as a student, graduating from SaMoHi in 1996. He will talk about what's new in the district.

Feb 2 2011 **Gary Darakjian** "Inside Malibu's SOS"

Feb 9 2011

Jen Woods "Intelligent &profitable investing & retirement planning"

Feb 16 2011 **Luci Prosapio** "Rotary Ambassador Scholar-to-be"

Mar 9 2011 Jonathan Friedman "malibu.patch.com"