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- **Check Calendar on Malibu Rotary website MalibuRotary.org**

- **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/

RI President (2009-2010) John Kenny

Rotary District 5280 Governor (2009-2010): Susanne Sundberg

Last Malibu Rotary Club meeting—Jan 6 at Ruby's

The first Malibu Rotary Club meeting of the new year was a lunch meeting held at Ruby"s Café at the end of the Malibu Pier. We were given a cozy nook in the corner and on a beautiful summer like day in January it was great place to be. The meeting was a club assembly, board meeting, in which various club business was taken care of. The first of those matters was that **Bob Syvertsen**, professional accountant who has been trying to keep the club solvent for years, made a motion, which was unanimously approved, to raise the club dues, $75 per quarter to $235.00. Among other expenses, this is to offset the extra charges Pepperdine is charging the club to meet in the Fireside Room.

President Holmes Osborne also had us vote again about our frequency of meetings. In November the club had voted to have meetings less frequently than every week, but we wrote previously, live weekly meetings, except by special new club exceptions, are mandated by RI standard club charters and so the Malibu Rotary Club is going to meet weekly. Generally this is going to be Wednesday mornings 7:30 a.m. at the Fireside Room at Pepperdine Univerisity.

As soon as that was said we agreed we were NOT going to meet the following Wednesday, January 13th. It was recommended that instead of having a club meeting that week, members and guests try to go to the special meeting on Friday, January 15th at the Bonaventure Hotel at which Rotary International President John Kinney will speak. For sure Holmes Osborne and **Bill Wishard** are going, and others will try to go too.   A motion was made to sponsor, i.e.pay, for one of the Pepperdine Rotaract officers to go to the event and that motion passed. Cost for the event with parking is $60.00.

The other event next week is the Rotary District Breakfast on Tuesday, Jan 12, at which a discussion may be made about the next big RI fund raising effort after polio is eradicated in 2012---AIDS.

Kevn Boling announced that since his daughter won the skull at the Malibu Rotary Club Holiday Party it has been traveling and there will be a large story and pictures about the skull when it resurfaces in the future.

The next meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club will be Wednesday, January 20th, at the Fireside Room at Pepperdine. That and other future programs are to be announced. **Margo Neal** will be gone the entire month of February as she is one of the news volunteers for the Winter Olympics in Canada.

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