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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard

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 - Rotary District 5280 Governor (2012-2012): Lewis Bertrand
 - Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Julie Jenkins (2012-13)

Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard Sets Agenda for the New Rotary Year and Indy Recap



The first Wednesday in July was Independence Day, and even though some of us were at the Pepperdine Malibu campus that evening to watch the fireworks, the official new year (2012-13) of the Malibu Rotary Club started at the meeting of July 11th, presided over by Malibu Rotary Club President William (Bill) Wishard III. The scheduled speaker had a family crisis and was unable to be at the meeting, and that afforded the new club president a chance to talk and show pictures of events that he attended in the past month, and activities happening in the near future.

Within days of representing the Malibu Rotary Club at the Rotary International Convention in Bangkok Bill was at his

hometown of Indianapolis in the stands watching the 100th annual Indianapolis 500 Race. He had attended many of these races over the years but this one was very special. Beside the fact



that it was the 100th anniversary, his friend, Parnelli Jones, was going to be there in a special celebration. Parnelli is the oldest living Indy winner, and he drove the Agajanian-Willard Battery Special car from the 1962 and 1963 Indianapolis 500s, around the Indianapolis Motor Speedway track at the 2012 event. 2012 marked the 50th anniversary of Jones becoming the first person to qualify for the Indianapolis 500 with a speed above 150 miles per hour. Jones won the 1963 Indianapolis 500. This year's race was extremely competitive and exciting. Besides the race itself, Bill was invited to attend a special post race black tie event that happens annually, but he never had been to before, which featured drivers and VIPs from the Indy 500. During this year's race, the lead had changed a record 34 times, usually featuring a couple drivers from Chip Ganassi Racing team, Scott Dixon and Dario Franchitti. But as they started the final lap, **Takuma Sato** from Japan, shot past Dixon and then tried to pass Franchitti a moment later. Bill said that he tried to do it on the inside, where, Bill said, it was obvious there was not enough room. The rear end of Sato's car hit the inner border of the track, spun out and crashed. He was not injured, but he didn't finish the race. If he hadn't tried to make that move, he would have come in second and earned second place money of over a million dollars.

At the post game event Bill found himself standing next to Sato. He could have talked about that move that Bill considered fool hearty, but instead, according to Bill, they talked about the RI Convention in Bangkok, and Rotary in Asia.

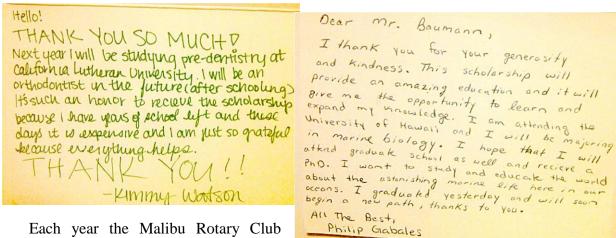
Bill talked about several upcoming Rotary district events that he wanted Malibu Rotarians to be involved with. The soonest one was about to take place in 2 days, and it involved Pepperdine University and Rotary. On Friday, July 13th, the Rotary 5 Club, the largest and oldest club in district 5280, was going to have a special meeting at the California Club in Los Angeles, at which Pepperdine University President Andrew Benton was to be inducted as Honorary member of LA 5 Rotary Club, and which was to celebrate the 7th anniversary of Pepperdine. LA5.

Since this is being written after the event we can report that Bill said this was an outstanding Pepperdine day with lots of officials, alumni, and a few students, beautiful elegant old packed room, great presentations by Pepperdine. alum new LA 5 Club President Jay Livingston (?) and President. Benton, who drew at end the door prize raffle ticket for "50/50" \$217. split of the pot, which belonged to, none other than the previously introduced President of Malibu Rotary Club. This brought a lot of laughter! More on that event Wed., David Baird brought impressive full table of Pepperdine officials including most senior (highly regarded) retired Pepperdine President Bill Banowsky, who was instrumental in establishing the Pepperdine campus in Malibu. Prior to Bill Banowsky. Prior to President Banowsky Hugh Marvin Tiner, the founding dean of Pepperdine College and its second president (from 1939-1957) was District Governor of Rotary District 107 (later District 1070). He is one of two members of Pepperdine administration to become a Rotary District governor, the other being former member and past president of the Malibu Rotary Club Larry Hornbaker, who was acknowledged and invited to this LA5 Rotary meeting but was unable to attend because of health.

Another future event that was discussed by Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard at the July 11th meeting was Rotary District Breakfast on Tuesday July 31st at the LAX Westin Hotel. Instead of having a regular Malibu Rotary Club meeting Wednesday August 1, we voted that

Malibu Rotarians and their guests will be attending the Rotary District Breakfast on Tuesday July 31 at 7:00 a.m. at the Westin LAX Hotel, 5400 W. Century Blvd in Los Angeles featuring Carol Pandak who will be speaking on the Final Push to End Polio and how important that endeaver is. There will be no Malbu Rotary Club on Wednesday Aug 1. At the July 11th meeting 9 Malibu Rotarians committed to attending that breakfast. Bill said that other clubs have large representation at Rotary District Breakfast, and one way to encourage this is to partially subsidize part of the cost the members have to pay to go to the district breakfasts. The early bird price for breakfast is \$34.00, but bill suggested that club subsidize the difference between our normal breakfast (\$10.00) and the district breakfast (the extra \$24.00).

Malibu High School Student Thank Malibu Rotary Club for Scholarship Awards



Each year the Malibu Rotary Club presents 2 scholarship awards to

graduating seniors at Malibu High School show exemplary citizenship has determined by teachers at the school. The recipients this year were Kimmy Watson and Philip Gabales. We recently received thank you cards (shown here) from the two graduates.

News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting and After

Rotary District 5280 Governor Lew Bertrand and our Assistant Governor Julie Jenkins will be visiting the Malibu Rotary Club on August 22nd. That day the Fireside Room will not be available due to Pepperdine University NSO (New Student Orientation). An alternate meeting place is being discussed.

Malibu Rotarian Pompeya Monteros who is usually attending Rotary meetings in other places, was on hand to see Bill's first meeting at president for this term. Past Malibu Rotary Club President Rex Levi was also at the meeting.



Malibu Rotary Club is Official Sponsor of Smile Trek

Marine Sargent Winston Fiore Started his 5,000 mile Cross Country Motorcycle Trip in Malibu. His purpose is to bring awareness of children's cleft palette and raise money for the International Children's Surgical Foundation. The organization provides surgery, training for 3rd world surgeons, plus follow-up care for surgical correction of children's cleft palette disease. The US trip was in preparation for a 5,000 mile walking trip

across Southeast Asia which he began in September. Before he left he explained "My route will take me through eight different countries, beginning and ending in Singapore, and the yearlong trek will be an ongoing effort to raise funds for the ICSF and awareness for children living with clefts in the developing world. I chose to base this trip in Southeast Asia because of the region's high prevalence of cleft births."

Malibu Rotary Club is one of his sponsors. One surgery costs \$240.

See Winston's blog at http://www.smiletrek.org (which includes multiple videos) as he travels across the world. . He had e-mailed us after July 4th from the Phillippines.

"Smile Trek has officially surpassed its \$50,000 fundraising goal. That's 200 children who will be able to receive life-changing surgery, so a big thank you to all of you who helped make this possible!

Enjoy my blog entry on China!"

You can link to his blog at http://www.smiletrek.org. As of July 11th he has collected 110% of his goal: \$55,215

Please see Malibu Rotary Club Website <u>www.maliburotary.org</u> for latest Calendar and future speakers and facebook pages for other news.

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(all Malibu Rotary Club meetings are held at 7:30 a.m. Wednesdays in Fireside Room of Pepperdine University unless otherwise noted)

Jul 18 2012

Mike Hebert

"Eradication of Polio in India--Rotarian NID Experience"

As a member of the Thousand Oaks Rotary Club (District 5240) Mike Hebert took part in the Rotary sponsored National Immunization Day (NID) in India. The World Health Organization (WHO) has now certified polio to be completely eradicated in India. Mike, who is the owner the Postal Annex in the Trancas shopping center in Malibu, will share his experiences at NID when he speaks to the Malibu Rotary Club on July 18.

Jul 25 2012

Bill Wishard

"Malibu Rotary Club Assembly Noon Lunch meeting at Tra di Noi Restaurante (NO MORNING MEETING)"

Jul 31 2012

Carol Pandak

"The End of Polio is in Sight (at Rotary District Breakfast)"

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No Meeting in Malibu Today

"Official Malibu Rotary Meeting this week is Rotary District Breakfast at Westin LAX on Tues July 31"

Aug 22 2012

Rotary District Governor Lew Bertrand

"State of the New Expanded Rotary District 5280"