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Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard

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- Malibu Rotary Club Website: www.MalibuRotary.org
- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
- Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280.org/
- Rotary District 5280 "Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians" Website: <http://yp5280.org/>
- RI President (2013-2014) Ron D Burton
- Rotary District 5280 Governor (2013-2014): Doug Baker

- **Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Joe Vasquez (2013-14)**



Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard Returns to Lead Club Assembly and Asks for Member Input on Club Planning Documents

There were several items that were discussed by the leaders of the Malibu Rotary Club at the meeting on July 17th.

Several had to do with people outside of Rotary who contributed to the success of the Malibu Rotary Brazilian Bash Blowout fundraiser held May 29th at Chris Bosh's home in Palisades Highlands.

For donating his home as the venue it was previously voted to make Chris Bosh and Honorary Member of the Malibu Rotary Club. **John Elman** confirmed that this was done and **Margo Neal** confirmed that she had written and sent the letter to the Boshes thanking them and telling them of this. He will be getting *The Rotarian* magazine sent to his Palisades home, and even though he usually is not there Donna Bohana collects the mail and periodically forwards it to him.

Another contributor to the success of the BBB fundraiser was the caterer Bill Krenz, who also supplied the dancers. Maggie said that Hubert paid Bill only for the food, with no tip, and Bill supplied the poi dancers at no charge, which is normally \$300. In discussions with Bill he is interested in setting up his catering business in Malibu and also Rotary membership. Maggie suggested that Bill Krenz be considered for membership and the club pay his first year's dues in lieu of the money that we saved for the dancers for our fundraiser. There was some discussion on whether dancers were paid by Bill, and if not whether the money should go to them, and if Bill K wants to become a member he would pay for membership. Maggie will talk to Bill about this.

There was discussion about having a special meeting for prospective members. In the past several weeks, especially thanks to Maggie and various people she has invited to both the BBB and to Malibu Rotary Club meetings when we have had interesting speakers, several of the visitors have expressed some interest in membership. It was decided to have "Rotary Information Day" meeting Wednesday September 18th.

Another topic of discussion at the meeting was whether the Malibu Rotary Club should reconsider subsidizing its members attending the quarterly Rotary District Breakfast. Everyone agreed that attending the Rotary District Breakfasts gives members and their guests a better understanding of the broad scope of Rotary. During the past year Malibu Rotary Club Bill Wishard had recommended that during the weeks when there was a Rotary District Breakfast meeting the Malibu Rotary Club be dark, and consider the Rotary District Breakfast meeting as our club meeting that week. To encourage members to attend that meeting the club billed members only the \$10.00 it would charge for the breakfast we had at Pepperdine and the club

subsidize the remaining \$25.00 for the \$35.00 Rotary District breakfasts. There are only 3 more district breakfasts this year and if 10 members went to each one the club would have to subsidize $10 \times 3 \times \$25 = \750.00 for the year. Bob Syvertsen argued that this would cause a budget deficit unless the club raised the dues.

Since many of the things being discussed had to do with the club budget it was decided to have wait until Malibu Rotary Club Budget Director Hubert Luckerath returned from Europe so that the budget can be prepared. The Malibu Rotary meeting of August 7 was specifically set aside to be a Budget meeting.

One of the main things that Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard wanted to discuss was 2 documents that he was given at PETS, and which he had John Elman e-mail to all club members as Word doc attachments on July 10th, when Rotary District Governor Doug Baker pointed out that filling out these documents was supposed to be done and sent to the district before this Rotary year started on July 1.

The two documents are the 2013-2014 Club Inventory and 2013-2014 Club Planning Guide. They were briefly discussed at the July 17th Malibu Rotary meeting, but Bill said he would like club members input on them and he and John Elman will talk via phone this Sunday at 3:00 pm and send to Assistant Governor Joe Vasquez.

Other News and Guests at Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

Malibu Rotary Club Vice President **David Baird** again kicked off the Malibu Rotary Club meeting July 17, with “This week in History” lessons and a joke or two, as Malibu Rotary Club was driving up from Carlsbad with **Jimmy Mon**.

Before the meeting officially began **Maggie Luckerath** relayed a message she had received from **Livia Giordano**, the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from Zurich Switzerland who is studied at the Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution at the Pepperdine Law School and is currently studying to take the California Bar Exam. The Malibu Rotary Club is her host club and she has become kind of the adopted daughter of most members. She was in need of a laptop computer and before the meeting was over David Baird thought he had an older computer that worked that he could give to her (this was confirmed with e-mails that followed the meeting).

Bill was able to discuss several things he wanted to talk about at this meeting, which he knew was to be a club assembly, and one of the first he was able to participate in since his heart surgery.

No one from the Malibu Rotary Club attended the initial Rotary District Breakfast held July 16th although Malibu Rotary Club President **Bill Wishard** had set his Swiss alarm clock to wake him a 4:00 a.m. in Carlsbad so he could attend. Turns out although he set the alarm he didn't wind the analogue clock and he didn't wake up on time to go.

There were no guests at the meeting of July 17th.

Peter Formosa had video recorded the wonderful program given at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of July 10th by **Ako Eyong**. After the July 17th meeting Peter and **John Elman** worked on downloading the video recording of Ako from Peter's i-Phone to his Laptop Computer. John had e-mailed Ako about the video and after thinking about how remarks made by Ako during his presentation (remember he is a political exile from Cameroon) he was fearful that if the video was uploaded to the Internet the Cameroon government might make harm Ako's family still in Cameroon. Until Ako can work with us on editing the video it will not be uploaded to the internet

Malibu Rotary Club Past President **Chris Bauman**, . who has been Pepperdine University Budget Director, announced that he will have a new position at Pepperdine—Executive Director of the School of Business. The administrative office for the Business is not on the Pepperdine campus in Malibu, but rather in the Hughes Center in Culver City. This means that Chris will not be able to attend most of our meetings in Malibu.

Hubert and Tom Send Greetings From RI Convention in Lisbon



Hubert Luckerath (L) represented the Malibu Rotary Club at the 2013 Rotary International Convention held June 23-28th in Lisbon, Portugal. Tom Bos (R), a Past Rotary District Governor from Holland Michigan, and a regular visitor to the Malibu Rotary Club, joined Hubert and thousands of other Rotarians from more than 225 countries and geographic areas at the annual event, held in a different country each year. Hubert will be talking about his experience visiting his first RI Convention when he is the feature speaker at the July 31 Malibu Rotary Club meeting.

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

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(All Malibu Rotary Club meetings are at 12:00 Noon in LC 152 at the Pepperdine Drescher campus Villa Graziadio Executive Center unless otherwise noted).

Jul 24, 2013

David Yardley, Esq

"Mystic Lifeguard Tower No. 3 (Or, How I Lived Bankrupt In The Malibu Colony)"

David Yardley lived and practiced law in Malibu for about 18 years. He had a roller coaster life beginning with a 2009 economic crash, loss of his law practice, tumbling into the Malibu Colony as a house and dog sitter, becoming an actor at Malibu Stage Company, and presently reviving his law practice.

At the Malibu Rotary Club meeting at noon on July 24 in Room LC 152 of the Drescher Graduate campus of Pepperdine University in Malibu Mr Yardley will read brief excerpts from his story, the book he is writing, Mystic Lifeguard Tower No. 3 (Or, How I Lived Bankrupt In The Malibu Colony), and talk about his personal enlightenment from all these experiences.

Jul 31, 2013

Hubert Luckerath

"Report of the 2013 Rotary International Convention in Lisbon"

Hubert Luckerath was the lone representative of the Malibu Rotary Club attending this year's Rotary international Convention in Lisbon. He will give a report back from that adventure at noon at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting at Drescher Campus of Pepperdine University on July 31.

Aug 1, 2013

Hubert Luckerath

Malibu Rotary Club Budget Discussion