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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Malibu Malibu Rotary Club President Margo Neal

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• Next Malibu Rotary Club Meeting Wednesday July 30 at noon at Pepperdine University Drescher Graduate campus in LC 152 (with fellowship starting at 11:30 a.m.). Beth's husband Qadir Mohiuddin Ph.D, Associate Professor of Economics, New York Institute of Technology at Nanjing, Jiangusu, China, will be the speaker. He will talk about his Personal Observations of GeoPolitics and Economics.

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- Last week: Malibu Rotary Club President Margo Neal Tell Members to Prepare of District Governor Elsa Gilham's Official Visit on August 20th
- Check <u>Calendar</u> on Malibu Rotary website <u>www.maliburotary.org</u>
 - Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
 - Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280.org/
 - RI President (2014-2015) Gary CK Huang
 - Rotary District 5280 Governor (2014-2015): Elsa Gilham
 - Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Neil Godsey (2014-15)

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Malibu Rotary Club's scheduled speaker for July 23 was a supposed to be a polio survivor who was in town this week only to go to the weekends Malibu Arts Festival. She had to cancel at the last minute because of family health problems. Malibu Rotary Club President Margo Neal, who took time out from her travel schedule to attend the July 23 Malibu Rotary Club meeting, was going to call for a special board of directors meeting after the regular meeting to talk about Rotary District Governor Elsa Gilham's official visit. Instead Margo was able to turn the regular club into a Club Assembly/Board of Directors meeting.

In previous years there has always been ample time and preparation for the official District Governor's visit. Generally the DG's official visits have been posted on the Rotary District Website calendar months in advance. This year the Rotary District Website Calendar only shows 2 Rotary District Governor visits, the first one on July 29 to the Koreatown Rotary Club, and the last one on November 8th, the District Governor's home club, the

Wilshire Rotary Club. That is 2 out of 62 club visits that are supposed to take place, yet none of them are shown on the Rotary District Calendar.

Most clubs, including the Malibu Rotary Club, schedules its speakers months in advance. The

LA 5 Rotary Club probably schedules its speakers a year in advance. During the official Governor visit the program is the district governor. There is no time for another speaker Not only does the governor tell the members of the Rotary Club what is going on in the district, and bring a message from the Rotary International President, the officers of the individual Rotary Club meet with the DG (usually before the regular meeting) to find out the goals of the club. The Malibu Rotary Club had a speaker scheduled for August 20th. (After finding out at the July 23 meeting that the DG official visit was going to be August 20th the original August 20th speaker, Carl Christman, was rescheduled for August 27th).

So at the July 23th Malibu Rotary Club meeting Margo talked about several things that the Governor wanted during her official visit, which we found out for the first time, was going to be on August 20th.

There will be a meeting with DG Elsa prior to the regular meeting, which we decided will be at 10:45 a.m. in Room EC 116 in Villa Grazadio. At this earlier meeting club officers will give reports to the DG. Margo sent e-mails to the club officers after the July 23rd meeting listing what should be in those reports. These reports will only be about 3 minutes each. We will get our lunches after the preliminary meeting and start our regular meeting at noon on August 20th, open to all, and that is when the District Governor will deliver her speech.

Generally at the District Governor visit the Rotary Club makes a donation to the Rotary Foundation in honor of the DG. Margo wondered if we might give our "Happy Dollars" fund. There is around \$400 in that fund. Bill Wishard made a suggestion that we should specify that the what we give should go into the RI Foundation Polio Plus account, that way it will be matched by 3 times, and that we donate \$333.00 which would actually be like a \$1000 contribution. Bill's reasoning: At the RI Convention in Lisbon last it was announced "Going forward, the Gates Foundation will match two-to-one, up to US\$35 million per year, every dollar Rotary commits to reduce the funding shortfall for polio eradication through 2018."

Other News and Guests at the Last Meeting

Other matters discussed at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting July 23, had to do with future club events. Although Chair of the October 25th "Hollywood Holloween" Malibu Rotary Club Fundraiser Griselda Espinoza was not this meeting **David Zielski** said we ought to reconsider the venue of this event and therefore even the date. Currently the venue was supposed to be rooftop patio of a building on PCH. David said the weather is unpredictable in October—for an outdoor event we will need a large tent which will cost over \$1000. Because of this, permits, parking issues, etc., he suggested we have it at a different menu. A suggested alternative is the Malibu West Beach Club, which we could get for much less costs, and no permits needed. We apparently could not get Saturday October 25th—it is a popular venue for wedding parties. It may be possible to get it for Friday October 24th. The party fund raising committee will discuss the further when Griselda returns.

Bill Wishard said besides the 4 tickets to the sold out Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Dinner November 8 at the Biltmore Hotel that have already been reserved for the Malibu Rotary Club he was able to order 2 more so have 6 and they all seem to have peoples names on them—Hubert sent check to District office. The next Rotary District Breakfast is October 7 with speaker Jeff Whitfield. Members are encouraged members to make reservations to go the Literacy Breakfast at Lawry's on August 13 which will have two speakers, the Founder and Chair of Vision to Learn Austin Beutner and Los Angelilst County District Attorney Jackie Lacey.

Malibu Rotary will again be selling water and watermelon at the Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook off on Labor Day weekend. There was a discussion on how we can make it more profitable. One suggestion is do what was done when Kevin Boling was president and have each club member bring one 24 pack of water. To make it uniform that year each member specifically bought and brought a 24 pack of Arrowhead water. Certain members who have been unable to attend our recent meetings have helped make past participation at the Chili Cook Off a success. Specifically Jack Corrodi has supplied table, chairs, and buckets for ice and Chris Bauman has used his pick up truck to make multiple runs to Pepperdine to keep the buckets filled with ice. Chris' wife Leslie is expecting their second child in August and Jack has been unable to attend any events recently because of health problems.

Someone who is normally at each Malibu Rotary Club meeting but missing for this one was **Fred Cornett.** His son was taking him to lunch to celebrate Fred's 90th birthday.

Happy Dollars

There were several members with Happy Dollars but we wanted to mention one especially: **Bob Syvertsen** contributed 7 Happy Dollars for the 7 Day Cruise he had going to Alaska. He was effusive of his praise for new member **Beth Mohiuddin** and her company **Beth's Travel** who arranged this trip. He said all he had to do is get to and from LAX and everything in between was completely and seamlessly arranged by Beth and Bob obviously enjoyed the experience.

Guests

Guests at the meeting included **Delvin Glymph**, career counselor at Pepperdine, **Shannon Latson**, a Marriage and Family therapist at Stillpoint Family Resources; and **Mina Soroosh**, President of the Rotary Club of Downtown Los Angeles, who was teaching French at Pepperdine during the summer (during the academic year she does that at USC) who told us that if we were able to get any extra tickets for the sold out Paul Harris Rotary Foundation Dinner on November 8th she had members in her club who would buy them for sure.

Upcoming Speakers (yet to be confirmed)

Randy Klingensberg, Performing Arts Studio West (who trains disabled artists to perform--

school attended by blind autistic musical savant Rex Lewis)

Founder of the National Veterans Foundation, Floyd 'Shad' Meshad

Dana Sherman of the Fleet Street Bike Project

Dan Wise on history of the 25,000 acres from Marina del Rey to PV Penninsula to Western Ave

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Personal Observations of GeoPolitics and Economics

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Laura Cazares Aug 06, 2014

Master your Mind, Master your Cash Flow

What would you love for your life...more money? Well, what are you thinking? Laura Cazares addresses the power of our thoughts and beliefs in creating the results we want. She also discusses three questions that empower and one that will instantly derail you.

David Sagona and Quinn Carter Aug 13, 2014

Youth Commission, Helping Malibu

Rotary District Governor Elsa Gilham Aug 20, 2014

Rotary District Governor Official Visit (in Pepperdine Villa Graziadio Room EC 116)

Rotary District Governor Elsa Gilham, who is no stranger to the Malibu Rotary Club, will have her "official" visit to the Malibu Rotary Club, to talk about the state of the district and district events. There will be a special meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club Board of Directors with the governor in the meeting room at 10:45 a.m., where the Malibu Rotary Club officers will tell the governor what the club plans are for this Rotary year.

Carl Christman Aug 27, 2014

Carl Reads Minds

Carl Christman is a mentalist at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. His Rotary presentations are educational and entertaining. Rotarians and guests at this special meeting will learn about the power of their own mind and have a once in a lifetime experience. You can find out more about Carl and see a demo video at www.CarlReadsMinds.com. This should be a fun Rotary meeting. Come and bring a friend.

Dr Alison Gallwey Wishard Guerra Sep 10, 2014

Early Childhood Development

Assistant Professor, UC San Diego Education Studies, Dr. Wishard is an alumna of Juan Cabrillo Elementary School, Student Body Pres. Malibu Park Junior High School '89, UC Santa Cruz '97, UCLA PhD School of Psychological Studies in Education '05, speciality in early childhood development and multicultual children.

Her husband Eduardo Guerra, UC Santa Cruz '97, a club leader of Del Mar Solana Beach Rotary, son of Malibu Rotarian Pompeya Monteros, was born in Ecuador ,raised in Manhattan Beach,CA

They have 2 daughters, Sofia Alexandra Wishard Guerra 6 y.o., Alina Luz Guerra, 4 y.o. expected to accompany her 10 Sept.

UCSD Dean Elman noted: "her work is sophisticated, important, thoughtful, and impactful," in recently announcing her being tenured and promoted.

See more at: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/2529/Speakers#sthash.cdOgcSGM.dpuf