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 - Rotary District 5280 Governor (2011-2012): Brad Robinson (2012-2012): Lewis Bertrand
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 - Rotary District Newsletter—see it on Rotary District 5280 site or click [here](#)

Malibu Rotary Club (2012-2013) Bill Wishard Presides Over Club Assembly at Lunch meeting



The Malibu Rotary Club meeting of June 13th was a lunch meeting at the private back room of Tra di Noi Restaurant in the Malibu Country Mart. It was presided over by Malibu Rotary Club President of Record and Malibu Rotary Club President-Elect **William Wishard III**. Bill passed around several pictures that been taken in the last month, including the one taken at the Rotary International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand with

Rotary International President (2012-2112) Sakuji Tanaka.

Bill talked about several Rotary District events which he would like Malibu Rotarians to participate in. He said he has always enjoyed the speakers at the Rotary District Breakfasts. The last one featured the **Little Rock Nine** a group of African-American students enrolled in [Little Rock Central High School](#) in 1957. The ensuing **Little Rock Crisis**, in which the students were initially prevented from entering the [racially segregated school](#) by [Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus](#), and then attended after the intervention of [President Eisenhower](#), is considered to be one of the most important events in the [African-American Civil Rights Movement](#).

If you missed that Rotary District breakfast too bad, but there are more to come, in fact one each quarter, and the next one, on Jul 31, 2012 at 07:00 AM at the Westin LAX Hotel, 5400 W. Century Blvd, Los Angeles 90045, will feature some of the remaining Tuskegee Airmen, who were some of the best pilots in World War II, who were in segregated into a special African American unit, which has been celebrated in a recent movie “Red Tails.”

Bill he said he has noted that at the district breakfasts many Rotary clubs have their own table. The Malibu Rotary Club has had a tradition of paying for the first District Breakfast of new members. Bill said that many clubs subsidize part of the costs of members attending district events. He would like to entertain a motion to have the Malibu Rotary Club do a similar thing---perhaps having club subsidize 50% of the cost of members attending district breakfasts.

Two other districts events that are coming up in the new Rotary year: The Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Dinner, and the Rotary District Convention. Bill said in recent years the Rotary Foundation events have been family events—like the Circus last year, but this year it will be more formal. Well formal with a catch. Since it will be October 29th, two days before Halloween, dress formally with a mask. And it will be at the Bonaventure Hotel.

The Rotary District Conference will be the week end May 5 at the Fess Parker Resort in Santa Barbara. Long time Malibu Rotarians will recall that the last time the Rotary District Conference was at the Fess Parker Hotel Malibu Rotary Club acted as kind of host club, as the District Governor was the only Malibu Rotarian to be Rotary District Governor, Larry Hornbaker.

The back room at Tra di Noi is called the Wine Room, because it has wine racks on three walls. It is laid out with one large square table in the center of the room, with 4 seats on each side, which makes it 4 squared, or 16. The square table lends itself well to a “round table” discussion. This is the second lunch meeting the Malibu Rotary Club has held in the room, and everyone attending agrees, with the excellent food and ambiance, it will not be the last. In fact, President Bill decided, and we all agreed, to have a lunch meeting, every month. Our official meeting place and time is still the Fireside Room at Pepperdine University at 7:30 a.m., many people, including current Malibu Rotary Club members, who cannot make the morning meeting at Pepperdine can make a lunch meeting. Among these members are Malibu Rotary Club charter member Jack Corrodi, and Manhattan Beach and Quito Ecuador resident Pompeya Monteros, who both were at this meeting. In addition President-Elect Nominee Donna Bohana has had a hard time attending the morning meetings, but manages to get to the lunch and dinner meetings, often with a few guests.

Everyone was so enthused about the idea of the regular monthly lunch meeting for the Malibu Rotary Club we had Maggie reserve Tra di Noi Restaurant for the July 25 noon meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club. Let it be known far and wide if you would like to be part of the Malibu Rotary Club, join in our service and fellowship, we will monthly be meeting for lunch. We are not sure if the lunch meeting will always be at Tra di Noi, only that there will be a monthly meeting. Time, place and speaker of each meeting will always be published on the Malibu Rotary Club website: www.maliburotary.org.

News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting



Maggie Luckerath (along with Huber pictured right) announced that the Sunday polo match fund raiser for Safety Harbor Kids at Will Rogers polo grounds was successful. 6 Malibu Rotarians attended: Maggie Luckerath, Hubert Luckerath, Bill Wishard, Donna Bohana, John Elman, along with former Malibu Rotarian Danielle Anjou. For her volunteer work for Safety Harbor Kids Maggie was presented "**Safety Harbor Kids Ambassadors of Goodwill**" award, a medal on a necklace that she brought to the Malibu Rotary lunch meeting.

There were two guests the Malibu Rotary Club luncheon meeting on June 13, both who have been guests previously: **Veera Mahajan** is publisher of the Malibu Chronicle, and website www.malibuchronicle.com. **Mike Hebert** is a member of the Thousand Oaks Rotary Club who owns the Postal Annex in the Malibu Trancas center. Both of the guests contributed to the discussions at the square round table that was this meeting. Veera said she had attended one of the first dinners served by the new owner of the Beurivage Restaurant, which she said was going to be called the Roadhouse, with a menu of burgers, and not the menu of the former Beurivage. The next day was the fire at the restaurant which will temporarily close it for a while.

Mike Hebert contributed to discussions Bill was having about the Malibu Rotary club participation in the Annual Kiwanis Chili Cookoff. Malibu Rotary Club has always participated in this annual Labor Day weekend event. Although it is a huge fund raiser for the Kiwanis Club, the Malibu Rotary Club has managed a very modest fundraiser with a booth selling water and/or

other things. Last year with the help of Kevin Boling and his family the Malibu Rotary Club sold tri-tip sandwiches, burgers, etc. Mike had a thought for us: in addition to regular water—flavored water, and also ice cold water melon slices.

We learned more about Mike at this meeting. He has been involved in fundraising for his soccer leagues and has sold thousands of See's Candy Bars, so many in fact, that he has gotten the kids a tour of the See's Candy making facility. He said whenever he flies he always brings candy for the flight attendants, and it is gotten upgrades to first class.

Mike, a.k.a, "The Candy Man," will be the featured speaker at the July 18th meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club at Pepperdine University when he will telling us his experience as a Rotary volunteer at a National Immunization Day for Polio Eradication in India.

Malibu Rotary Club International Projects in Puerto Rico



With matching grants from The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5280 (District

Designated Funds [DDF]), and in partnership with other Rotary clubs in Rotary District 5280 and host clubs in Puerto Rico, the Malibu Rotary Club is involved in two humanitarian international projects in Puerto Rico in 2012. Barbara Riley (front row third from left) represented the Malibu Rotary Club at the *Centro Geriátrico San Rafael*, Arecibo, PR Rotary Project in February, 2012. Malibu Rotary was one of the lead sponsors of the project, along with 4 other Rotary Clubs from Los Angeles, CA Rotary District 5280 who also sent representatives.

Malibu Rotary Club was also a sponsor of a second project, *Hogar Santísima Trinidad* (HST) in Barrio Macarabones, Toa Alta, Puerto Rico which involves rehabilitating alcohol and drug abusers at the HST Center to train for job skills and also educate in recycling and train in solid waste management.

More on Rotary District 5280's humanitarian trip to Puerto Rico can be seen at <http://www.facebook.com/PuertoRico5280>.

In the *Centro Geriátrico San Rafael, Inc* in Arecibo, Puerto Rico project the Malibu Rotary Club is the PRIMARY INTERNATIONAL PARTNER. 5 Rotary Clubs from Los Angeles along with Rotary Foundation and the host Arecibo Rotary Club has helped the senior residential center purchase needed maintenance and repair tools, 8 energy efficient air conditioning units and a commercial sliding gate opener. This is a geriatric home for indigents founded in 1925. The Arecibo Rotary Club has been supporting them since 1935. This project costs \$15,585.00 of which the Malibu Rotary Club and the Westchester Rotary Club have given \$1170.00 each. Other partner clubs are Culver City, Wilmington, along with the host Rotary Club of Arecibo.

The most ambitious project (*Hogar Santísima Trinidad* [HST] in Barrio Macarabones, Toa Alta, Puerto Rico) involves rehabilitating alcohol and drug abusers at the HST Center (who are also highly likely to have HIV) to train for job skills and also educate in recycling and train in solid waste management. HST is a private community based non-profit organization, offering a safe residential rehabilitation and treatment program to 35 young males addicted to drugs and /or alcohol, established in 1993. HST depends on income from their semi-industrial aluminum and metal recycling and processing program. As part of their rehabilitation program, the HST implements occupational, physical and work therapies through their Mobile Recycling Center Program (MRCP). It consists in the training of patients in the use of a fixed industrial recycling unit permanently located at the Center, where they learn how to process and recycle aluminum, car batteries, diverse metals and other materials under the close supervision of trained supervisors. They also pickup recyclable materials in nearby communities to process at the center. The project also addresses a problem of waste management in Puerto Rico. Studies done by the US Environmental Protection Agency have revealed that improper or insufficient capacity to dispose of solid waste in Puerto Rico has created public health problems. The management and disposal of solid waste in the Island has long been a challenge, aggravated by the limited space available due to its geographical size, roughly 100 mi by 35 mi, and its delicately balanced ecosystem and the large amount of solid waste generated, at 4,000,000 tons per year. Puerto Rico's residents generate more waste than people living on the mainland and

recycling rates are lower. Much of Puerto Rico's waste ends up in landfills, most of which do not comply with local and federal governments' landfill requirements. The cost of HST Rotary project in Puerto Rico is \$22,570. The primary international club sponsoring this project is the Westchester Rotary Club. Malibu Rotary Club is an equal share holder with the Westchester Rotary Club, with each club contributing \$1570.00. Besides the host Rotary Club of Santurce, the Rotary Club of Torrance-Lomita is a partner in this project.



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 palate 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 palate 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. As of April 11th he had collected \$40,404 for ICSF, over 81% his goal of \$50,000.

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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Jun 20 2012

Barbara J Riley

"Rotary District Humanitarian Trip to Puerto Rico"

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Jun 27 2012

Prof. dr. George Pavlakos

"Global Law: obligations of justice beyond the borders of the nation state"

Dr George Pavlakos is Research Chair in Globalisation and Legal Theory, Universiteit Antwerpen/Belgium, Director Centre for Law and Cosmopolitan Values <http://www.lcy.ua.ac.be> as well as Professor of Globalisation and Legal Theory, University of Glasgow/Scotland. He is taking a sabbatical year lecturing and studying at UCLA and the Malibu Rotary Club is fortunate to have this international scholar of law speak at our club June 27 on Global Law: obligations of justice beyond the borders of the nation state.

Jul 4 2012

Independance Day (no meeting)

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Jul 18 2012

Mike Hebert

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

As a member of the Thosand 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 Maibu Rotary Club on July 18,

"Malibu Rotary Club Assembly" Noon Lunch meeting at Tra di Noi Restaurant