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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 (2012-2013) Sakuji Tanaka**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2012-2012): Lewis Bertrand**
- **Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Julie Jenkins (2012-13)**

June 19th Malibu Rotary Club Assembly

David Baird again presided over the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of June 19th, with Malibu Rotary Club President **Bill Wishard** listening in on the meeting from Carlsbad via **Peter Formosa** speaker phone hookup. Bill is still recuperating and rehabilitating from his April open heart surgery.

Discussed at the meeting were events that the Malibu Rotary Club was planning for the coming year, including hosting Rotary District sponsored Japanese students on July 30th, participation in the Annual Kiwanis Club Labor Day weekend Chili-Cook-off (August 31-September 1), sponsoring the annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the Homeless in conjunction with SOS the Thursday before Thanksgiving Day in November (November 21) and sponsoring the annual Malibu Rotary Club Middle School And High School Singing Competition as soon as Malibu High School Choral Director Amy Loch can confirm date on school calendar, but early enough so that entrants can be included District Music Competition held in March.

Margo Neal is chairing the Japanese student event, which will start at 10:00 a.m. tentatively at the Pepperdine University undergraduate campus cafeteria in Malibu on Tuesday, July 30. Malibu Rotarians who can take that morning off work will help drive the students to Getty Villa for tour and drive back to Pepperdine, where other Rotary District hosts will pick up students to back to the homes where they are staying with Rotary families.

Maggie Luckerath already had the forms for the Malibu Rotary Club to participate in the Kiwanis Chili Cook-off. The Malibu Rotary Club will again sell water and watermelon, as it had one last year. A sign up list will circulated at we get closer to the August event.

Maggie also wanted the Malibu Rotary Club to consider how to thank Chris Bosh and his wife for the use of their home for the Malibu Rotary Club Brazilian Bash Blow Out fundraising event held at their home May 29th. In addition to a letter of thanks it was decided to make Chris Bosh and an Honorary Malibu Rotarian. As such he will be sent the monthly Rotary International magazine *The Rotarian* as well as the weekly club newsletter *Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter* when club secretary can get information about where to send these publications.

At the June 19 Malibu Rotary Club meeting the subject of attendance came up, if it is possible to meet less often than weekly. **John Elman** asked if everyone had gotten the e-mail below, which was sent by District Governor Lew Bertrand, to club officers RE: changes in Rotary International bylaws in April this year. Our district sent Paul Netzel to the Council on Legislation in Chicago, and there were several subjects brought up and some important changes made. There is a slight RI dues increase. One of the changes is that Fifth Avenue of Service of Rotary is being renamed from "New Generations" to "Youth Services." A couple resolutions were defeated:

- **Two measures were defeated that would have allowed clubs to meet less frequently.** The delegates also rejected a measure that would have allowed a club to cancel six regular meetings a year instead of four, for holidays, the death of a club member, disasters, or other emergencies.

Lew and Paul's e-mails are below and I recommend all Rotarians to at least scan them so you know more about Rotarians and our club can and cannot do as part of this international organization.

Report on RI 2013 Council on Legislation



Dear District 5280 Rotarians,
 Past Rotary International Director Paul Netzel was our District's representative to the April 2013 Council on Legislation that was held in Chicago. We owe Paul a debt of gratitude for his service in preparing for and participating in this week-long legislative event. He has prepared a summary (below) and there are some interesting changes.
 Lew Bertrand
 District Governor 2012-2013

Report on Council on Legislation



By Paul Netzel, Council on Legislation Representative
 Rotary International's 2013 Council on Legislation (COL) adjourned its meeting at 11:45 am CDT (Friday 26 April) having commenced its work on Sunday 21 April 2013 at 1:00 pm CDT. During the week, over 170 proposed enactments and resolutions were considered from Rotary clubs and districts worldwide.

The COL is Rotary International's parliament - which meets ever three years in Chicago, IL. Each Rotary district is entitled to have an elected representative serve as a voting member on the COL. This COL had a record total of 528 district representatives in attendance (out of a possible 532). A total of 200 proposals were received by RI, 59 (53 Enactments and 6 Resolutions) were ultimately adopted by the COL.

For those who might wish to go to the RI Website where the 2013 COL is discussed in detail, and has many downloads with extensive information, they can do so by clicking [here](#). I am not sure how long this information will be available on the Website, but I expect at least through June and perhaps well into the summer.

The following are some of the noteworthy actions taken by the 2013 COL Representatives. Unless otherwise specified, all actions become effective 1 July 2013.

- Approved a US \$1-a-year increase in per capital dues that clubs pay to Rotary

International, starting 1 July 2014.

- The per capita dues will increase to \$54 in 2014-15; \$55 in 2015-16 and \$56 in 2016-17.
- Approved changing the name of Rotary's Fifth Avenue of Service, currently called "New Generations" to "Youth Service." The 2010 Council on Legislation approved this avenue of service for youth, which joined Rotary's Four Avenues of Service (Club, Vocational, Community, and International). The original proposal in 2010 was to call it "Youth Service" but the name New Generations received wide acclaim when it was introduced as an amendment. The rationale was that the term New Generations better reflected the need to build up the next generation of Rotarians. The proponents for the change back to "Youth Service" argued that the word "youth" is more universally understood, both inside and outside Rotary, and clarifies the fact that these programs encourage Rotarians to empower youth.
- Approved a measure to allow an unlimited number of e-clubs, removing a previous restriction of two e-clubs per district. E-clubs meet electronically, conduct service projects, and sometimes also hold in-person meetings. Proponents argued the removal of limits on e-clubs will increase Rotary's appeal and bring in new members.
- Approved a measure aimed at increasing membership, that provides for satellite clubs, whose members meet at a different time and location from their parent club but who are considered members of the parent club.
- Approved a measure allowing participation in club projects to count toward club attendance requirements.
 - The measure amends the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to provide that a member must attend or make up at least 50 percent of club regular meetings or engage in club projects for at least 12 hours in each half of the year, or a combination of both.
- Approved a measure creating the office of vice governor, who would fill in if the governor becomes unable to serve. The vice governor would be selected by the district's nominating committee from among the district's past governors.
 - Obviously our district understands the value of having this position. Further, our district bylaws will need to be updated accordingly.
- Increased the number of clubs that can take part in pilot projects to 1,000, up from the previous limit of 200. The RI Board uses pilot projects, which last for up to six years, to test new ideas, methods, and organizational frameworks for clubs.
- Approved resolutions asking the Board to consider allowing grandchildren of Rotarians to be eligible for Rotary Foundation programs, and to waive the rules for Rotary grants so that family members of Rotarians affected by a natural disaster would be eligible.
- Removed the travel reimbursement policy from the RI Bylaws.
 - This will enable the RI Board of Directors to develop a policy that is flexible, able to address emergency travel situations, and able to take advantage of cost-saving opportunities. I might note that this was the most contentious item considered by the COL. The driving force behind this issue was the Rotary clubs in the United Kingdom.
- One resolution approved (332 to 181) by the COL that will be of interest to D5280 is that the RI board is asked to make RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute) an RI affiliate or structured program of RI.

- Important to keep in mind: this is only a "recommendation" - although a strong one - for the RI board to take this action. No guarantee that it will be approved. RLI has been active in encouraging "letters of support" to the RI board.
- Two measures were defeated that would have allowed clubs to meet less frequently. The delegates also rejected a measure that would have allowed a club to cancel six regular meetings a year instead of four, for holidays, the death of a club member, disasters, or other emergencies.
- Barring opposition from from five (5) percent of the clubs, the results of the 2013 COL will take effect 1 July 2013 and will be reflected in the 2013 Manual of Procedure (MOP) - which will be published later in 2013.

The entire list resolutions can be seen on line at:

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/col13_report_of_action_en.pdf

If you don't like the new Rotary International Resolutions Here's What You Can Do

A letter that was sent to Rotary Club officers from Sarah Christensen, Rotary International Council Services Supervisor, is printed below, and tells what clubs can do if they oppose resolutions that were passed by the RI Council on Legislation. That letter is reprinted below:

Dear Rotarians:

With the conclusion of the Council on Legislation, I am pleased to provide you with the [Report of Action](#) from the Council. In the report, you will find the following:

1. A letter from General Secretary Hewko
2. Legislation that passed at the Council
3. Vote tallies for each item

In addition to the report, clubs may use the [Opposition to Legislation Report Form](#) to voice their opposition to an adopted enactment or resolution. Completed forms must reach Council Services by 23 August 2013. More information about this form can be found in General Secretary Hewko's letter.

If you have any questions about the report or the Council on Legislation, please let us know.

Best regards,

Sarah Christensen

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More About the Malibu Rotary Club Brazilian Bash Blow Out



Pictured: Malibu Rotarians bulletin editor John Elman, club treasurer Hubert Luckerath, Donna Bohana, President of Solstice International Realty, who sold this Palisades Highland property to an NBA star and manages it for him, and Maggie Luckerath, who was the producer of the Malibu Rotary Club Brazilian Bash Blowout held on the property on May 29, 2013, and David Baird, who has been acting president of Malibu Rotary Club while Bill Wishard has been recovering from his surgery. (picture from Knowles Adkisson, Malibu Times).

The Malibu Rotary Club held one of its most successful [fundraisers](#) in years, the Brazilian Bash Blowout, held May 29th, 2013 at the home of an NBA star in Palisades Highlands.

The event featured Brazilian food, a poolside silent auction, poi ball fire dancers, and live music. About 85 people attended the event which raised about \$3000 for Malibu Rotary Club charities. About 50 pictures of the event can be seen on the Malibu Rotary Club facebook album [Malibu Rotary Club Brazilian Bash Blowout 2013](#).

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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Calendar

(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).

Jun 26, 2013

[Isabelle Fox](#)

"Mending Kids International"

Isabelle Fox is Surgical Mission Filmmaker & Media Consultant who lives in Malibu who works with Mending Kids International. She will be the featured speaker at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting June 26th at noon in Room LC 152 at Pepperdine University upper Drescher Graduate campus in Malibu. Mending Kids International provides life-changing surgical care to children worldwide. Over the years, thousands of children have received corrective, transformational surgeries that have given them a chance at longer, healthier and happier lives. Most of the surgeries are to correct congenital heart defects, orthopedic abnormalities, severe scoliosis, and significant cranial facial deformities. Ms Fox will be accompanied by Marchelle L Sellers, MKI's Executive Director, who is President-Elect of the Rotary Club of South Pasadena.

Jul 03, 2013

[Malibu Rotary is Dark While the Skies Light Up](#)

"No Meeting in Honor of Independence Day Week--Happy Holiday"

Jul 10, 2013

[Ado Eyang](#)

"Painter of the White Dove"

July 16th, 2013

First Rotary District Breakfast of New Rotary Year Guest speaker is LA County District Attorney Jackie Lacey.

Jul 17, 2013

[Rotary Club Leaders](#)

"Malibu Rotary Club Assembly"

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.