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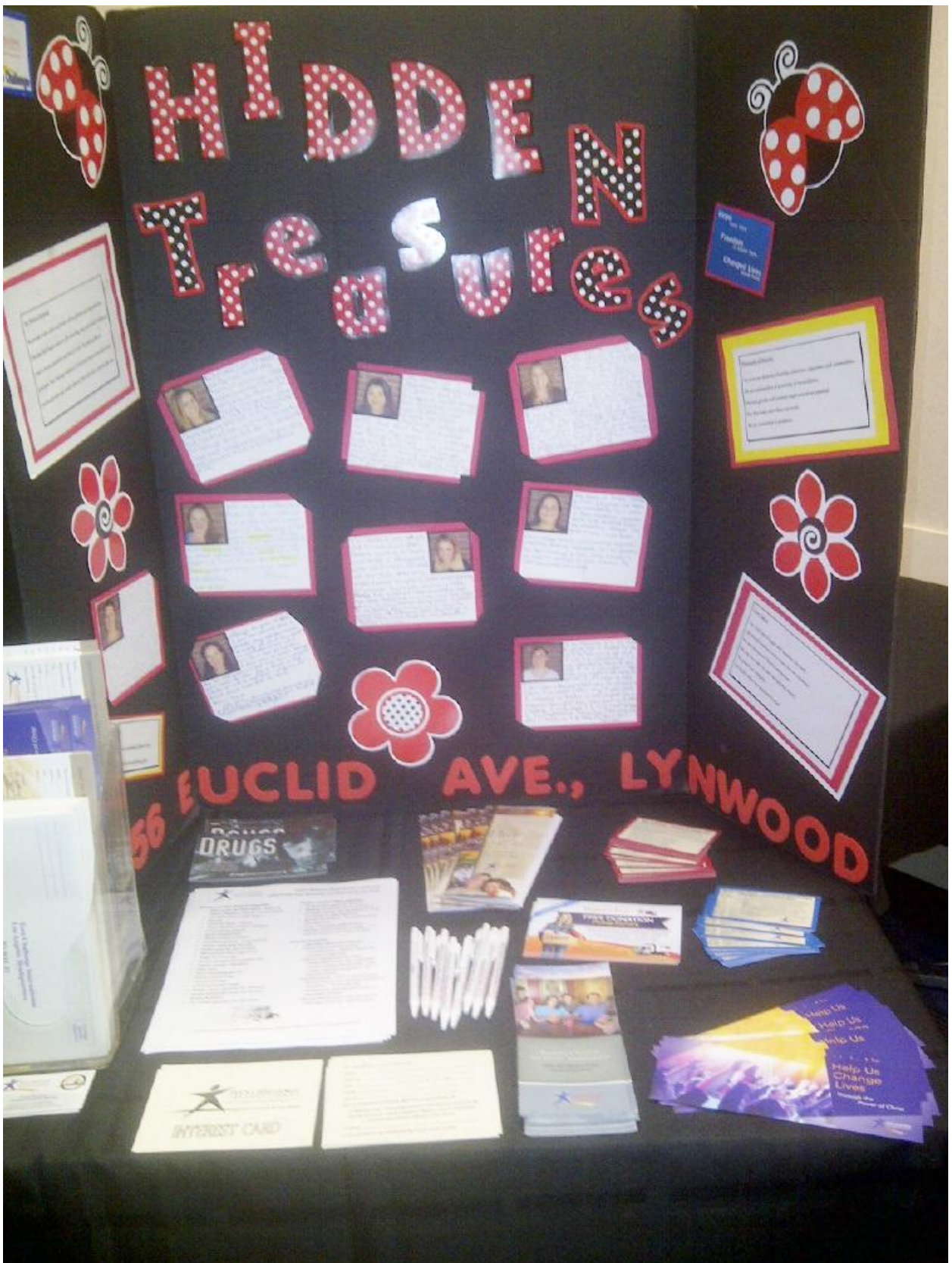
- **RI President (2015-2016) K.R. Ravindran**
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**Cheryl Bradford and residents of LA Teen Challenge of Southern California
Talk about how this organization helps youth & adults with no-cost adult
residential drug & alcohol recovery services**



L.A. Teen Challenge Residents Robin and Siana (left) and Teen Challenge Assistant Operations Manager Cheryl Bradford (right) tell Malibu Rotarians how Teen Challenge of Southern California and its residential program change lives of teen agers and young people addicted to drugs and alcohol. The group was the featured program at the May 18th Malibu Rotary Club meeting.





Each of the representatives from the L.A. facility of Teen Challenge of Southern California had their own personal story to tell about how destructive behavior and attitudes earlier in their lives had brought them to a point of hopelessness that ultimately brought them to the Teen Challenge facility and a positive change in their lives.

Cheryl Bradford came to the Teen Challenge in 2003 to get help for herself when she finished the program she stayed and has served the organization in its facilities around the world.

Robin is an apprentice with Teen Challenge. She is 35 years old and told of a life that included a year meth Amphetamine along with an alcohol addiction. She longed for peace, and initially came to Teen Challenge in 2012. She fell off the wagon and her life went into shambles. She gave up her 2 children to their father. Went back to Teen Challenge, completed the 1 year program, and now put her life back together, has a good relationship with her children. She also has 2 brothers who had addictions and successfully completed the Teen Challenge program. One of the brothers finished an IT program and does IT work for Teen Challenge.

Siana is 19 years old. She grew up in Porter Ranch . Both parents were addicts. Her father is in jail. When she became an addict herself and knew she didn't want to live that life and only recently discovered Teen Challenge, being in the program for 3 months.

The young ladies talked about how they were changed by the Teen Challenge experience, taking classes in Forgiveness, and the structured life that Teen Challenge residences have.

Cheryl tells us that drugs are the 4th leading cause of death of teenagers. Drugs are the leading reason for felonies.

Teen Challenge is the oldest, largest and most successful program of its kind in the world, and was founded over 50 years ago by Reverend David Wilkerson. Since Wilkerson opened the first center in New York in 1960, Teen Challenge has grown to over 195 centers across the nation and over 550 centers worldwide. In 1971, Wilkerson founded a global evangelistic ministry, World Challenge.

Established in 1963, Teen Challenge of Southern California, now operates 10 regional facilities, including: the one-year Ministry Institute; and Timothy House, a home for adolescent boys. Each year Teen Challenge serves hundreds of

thousands men, women and children in Southern California through its resident and outreach programs.

Teen Challenge of Southern California is a non-profit organization that relies entirely on donations, funding and volunteer efforts of both individuals and organizations throughout our communities in order to offer services at no cost to the individual. They believe that community involvement and support is an essential component of recovery and necessary to providing services that address the specific needs of the communities involved.

It is the mission of Teen Challenge to provide youth, adults and children an effective and comprehensive faith-based solution to drug and alcohol addiction as well as other life-controlling problems. “We are committed to enabling and equipping those we serve to find freedom from addictive behavior, to become socially and emotionally healthy, physically well and spiritually alive.” Teen Challenge reaches out to people from all backgrounds and gives back to local communities with outreaches, events, after-school programs and much more.

The young women who came to the Malibu Rotary Club meeting were from the L.A. Teen Challenge, which is located in Lynwood, and has 28 beds. There are 600 beds in all the southern california facilities.

Asked about the success of the program Cheryl said that 78-80% of the addicts who have completed the one year program are clean after 5 years. Each center does its own fund raising. There is no cost to the resident but the cost to raise per resident is \$15,000 per year. Cheryl says that it has been shown that every dollar spent on treatment saves society seven dollars in costs from the deviant behavior of the addicts.

From the website www.teenchallenge.org goes more into detail about the residential program:

Teen Challenge of Southern California has been an effective solution to life-controlling problems for thousands of people for more than 50 years. We offer a variety of outreach programs, and we have a one-year residential drug recovery program for men and women

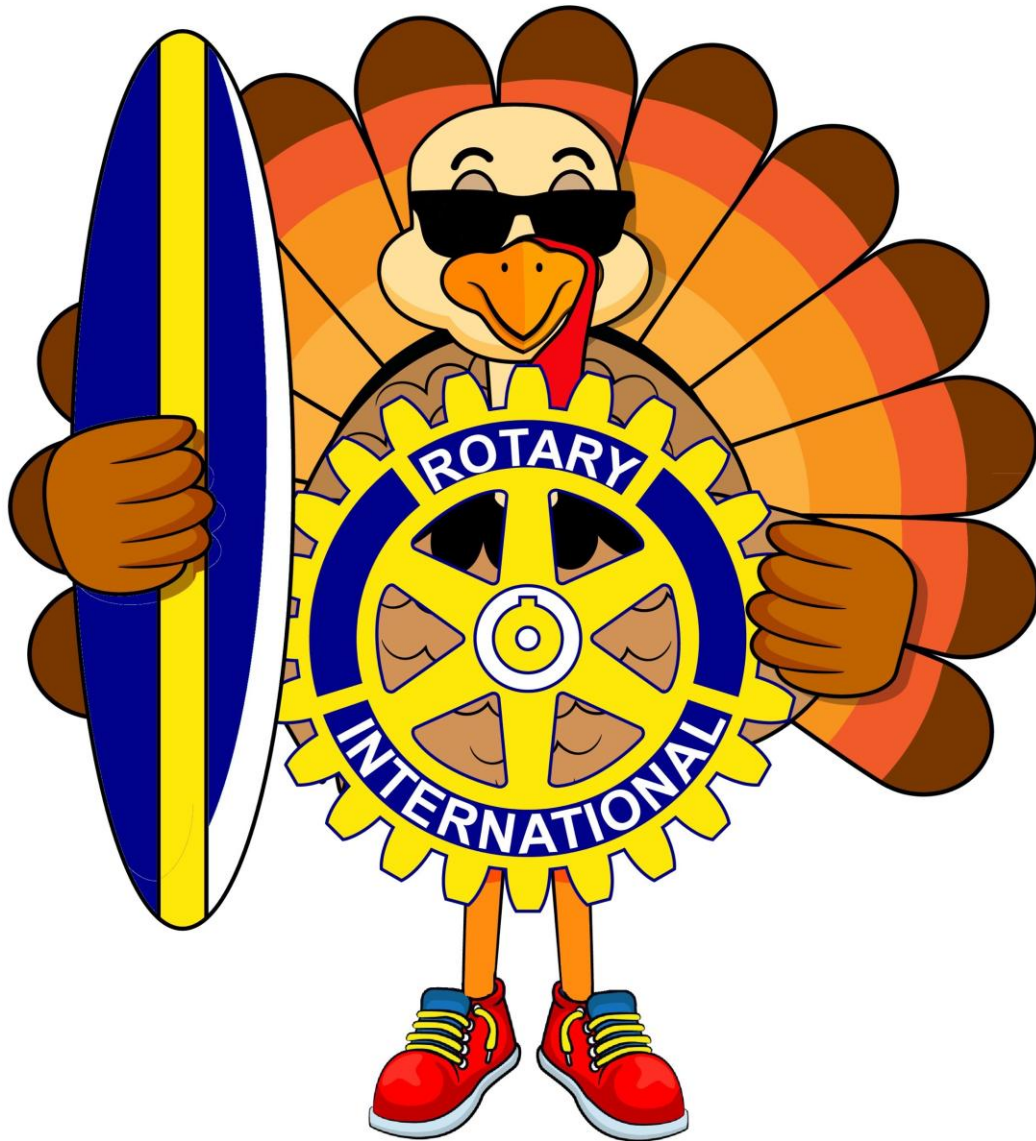
over the age of 18, as well as adolescent boys ages 12 – 17. The one-year adult program starts with a student entering one of our Induction Centers for approximately three months, then transferring to one of two long-term centers for an additional nine months.

The one-year program is designed to address the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of our more than 500 students. Over the course of their stay, we provide Christian discipleship classes, individual advising sessions, vocational training, basic computer classes, GED certificate and high school diploma courses and curriculum designed to help each student re-integrate into society.

Phone for LA Teen Challenge is 323-282-2319 and it is located at 3126 Euclid Ave, Lynwood, CA 90262. The headquarters for Teen Challenge of Southern California is in Riverside, CA.

**Malibu Turkey Trot Run-Walk-A Malibu Rotary Club Fund
Raising Event to be Held Thanksgiving morning at Trancas
Beach**

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Malibu Rotary Club is planning a fundraising, and health promoting, event on Thanksgiving

morning, November 24 at Trancas Beach—The First Annual Malibu Turkey Trot. It will be a 5 K Run and Walk, with the 5K run starting at 7:00 a.m. and a shorter family walk starting at 8:30 a.m.

The Malibu Rotary Club meeting April 27 was led by Malibu Rotary Club President-Elect Delvin Glymph, who contributed a rough draft of a logo that might be used for publicity and event T-Shirts. More recently Delvin has been updating the logo. The graphic above is one of the versions

The idea of having the Malibu Turkey Trot run comes from Bianca Torrence, whose son David Torrence is professional runner specializing in 1500 meter runs. Cities across the country have Turkey Trot runs on Thanksgiving—making people not feel guilty about over indulging in the dinner they will consume later in the day.

At the Malibu Rotary Club meeting various jobs for club members and others were discussed. Several people would be looking into T Shirt prices (Delvin, Jack Sherrer) and Jack would work on getting sponsors, and Delvin and Carlye (who wasn't present) in charge of volunteers—any many volunteers are needed for such an event. Bianca said that she would work on getting water donated by such places as Vintage Grocers, CVS and Pavillions. Fees charged to participants were tentatively going to be \$40.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children

Rotarians attending the April 27th Malibu Rotary Club meeting felt that sponsoring the Malibu Turkey Trot was a viable idea and with everyone doing his/her job, and with the right publicity this should be a successful event.

Although we agreed that at least half the proceeds from the event should go to Malibu Rotary Club charities a cause that has been brought to our attention is the Malibu Urgent Care. If they can provide volunteers and support they may be partner with Malibu Rotary Club. Helene Eisenburg of the Malibu Urgent will be speaking to the Malibu Rotary Club on June 1.

Other News and Guests at Last Malibu Rotary Club meeting

Bill Wishard represented the Malibu Rotary Club and President Elect Delvin Glymph at the Rotary District Assembly held the previous Saturday. Bill said President-Elect was sent forms on various up-coming district events which are all sold out, including District Humanitarian Trip to Merida, Mexico January 25-30, and the Rotary Foundation Dinner in November. There may be a waiting list for these events.

David Zielski and Delvin Glymph were to have completed necessary online forms for participation in Rotary Global Grants.

Approval letters are needed from the state in order to hold the Malibu Rotary Club sponsored Turkey Trot at Trancas Beach.

Delvin Glymph and **Bianca Torrence** represented the Malibu Rotary Club at the Taste of Malibu event at Duke's Restaurant in Malibu on Friday, May 20. They were to auction off basket of goodies put together by **Carlye Rudkin**. We'll hear how this went at next Malibu Rotary Club meeting May 25.

Guests

Our winter guest PDG **Tom Bos** was making a final guest appearance at the May 18 meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club collecting dogs to bring back to his summer home in Holland, Michigan. See you next winter, Tom.

Malibu Rotary Club Supports RainCatcher

David Zielski, Executive Director of Raincatcher makes regular trips to Uganda and Kenya for new Raincatcher installations and maintenance of those previously intalled.. More about Raincatcher can be see on it website Raincatcher.org. A link to Raincatcher video is on the Maliburotary.org website. The direct link to the video is at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59rzOcM-RL0&list=UUFetq8NgjhXhtkVf0idcQUg>

Calendar

(for details on these programs see Calendar on maliburotary.org)

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Helene Eisenberg	Jun 01, 2016	Malibu Urg
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