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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
- Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280la.org
- Rotary District 5280 “Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians” Website: <http://yp5280.org/>
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Malibu High School Junior Lauren Hass Talks About Her Experiences at RYLA Camp



The Malibu Rotary Club has sponsored 2 high school students to attend the Rotary District RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) camp each year for many years. Past years recipients have given the Malibu Rotarians very brief reports, thanking Rotary for the experience, saying they enjoyed it, but not really detailing their RYLA experience. This year at least one of the camp attendees went beyond the norm. Lauren Hass, a junior 4.0 student at Malibu High School fully detailed her experience in thoughtful words and pictures.

The goals of RYLA are listed on the Rotary International website:

RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to

- Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth

- Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth
- Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities

Rotary District 5280 RYLA camp was held this year on Catalina Island from Friday April 15th through Sunday, April 17th. Lauren said that when all the students arrived on Friday morning it was a time of orientation and meeting people. There were about 200 students from the greater Los Angeles area, and Lauren said that by the time she left on Sunday, she had met most of them. Besides the immediate groups that she was assigned to, each meal had assigned seating in a different place, so your table mates at meals were always different, and you had a chance to meet new people at each meal.

Leadership and team work were part of each exercise. They emphasized three C's: Cooperation, Creativity and Communication. There were various contests and games. Some examples included being given an object and to be creative with it in the shortest time. There was also an element of trust. In the RYLA Olympics partners had to fall back on a towel held in the air by other people, trusting that these people would catch them. There was a workshop that allowed students to discover their own and other people's personality styles. Of the various types of personalities Lauren said she herself had an analytical personality. Another exercise the students participated was called *visioneering*. They were given pictures to cut out and put on poster board to represent their future goals.

In addition to the events that the students participated in there were motivational speakers during the weekend. One that made an impression on Lauren was a young person in a wheelchair who had a very positive attitude about life.

The RYLA campers also learned the Rotary 4 Way Test and its value in making decisions in the things we do.

Leaving the camp on Sunday each RYLA student had a RYLA t-shirt, more Facebook friends to keep in touch with, and leadership skills to use when they return to school.

Typically the RYLA students are high school juniors, and Malibu Rotary Club President Elect Kevin Boling asked Lauren to consider starting an Interact Club at Malibu High School in the fall.

Membership committee report from Geoff

Geoff Ortiz gave a report from the Membership Committee, and listed 7 names of people that current club members had suggested as being contacted as potential new members of the Malibu Rotary Club. Since the Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter can be seen on line by the public these names are not listed here but will be e-mailed to current Malibu Rotary Club members and added to the secure "Friends of the Club" List which can only be accessed when current members log on to MalibuRotary.org.

We need to review this list at every meeting, and I propose we have a plan of contacting and **formally** inviting every one of these to a meeting and how they will be handled, i.e. will we call

or email follow-up, or both, will anyone be meeting with them to discuss membership, etc. I can supply emails and addresses for all of the above except Tim Rogers, which we can ask for from Chris.

We need to add to this list and formalize our process. Last month's Rotarian mag also had a good article about recruiting, and emphasized the use of a Facebook page along with the club website to keep these people up to date on club activities and help them feel connected. I have a Facebook page, but only use it about once a month. Is there anyone in our committee or club that can take this on?

Will we also have a plan for suggested activities for new members? Will they be required to -

- Greet all members at a meeting
- lead the club in the flag salute of a meeting.
- do the invocation at a meeting.
- attend a District breakfast meeting and report to the club on it, (as I recall, we pay for their first Dist Bkfst mtng, but we need to confirm this with the new dues).
- join a committee
- attend a fireside meeting
- attend or volunteer at a Rotary function outside of a meeting.
- give a report to the club on a member, which we used to publish in our bulletin.
- give the club a report on an international project with which we are not currently involved, (can be taken from Rotarian mag, Rotary District or Intl website, or other Rotary source).
- propose a new member and/or bring a guest to a meeting
- give a craft talk
- propose and schedule a speaker
- other items agreed to by the committee and club

We also will be giving a 5 min membership committee report at every meeting where we will review our list of names, and where we are at with each of these prospective members, ask for any members that know those on the list and for them to contact the prospect, for additions to the list, and make sure ALL club members are involved in membership.

We had also agreed to have another meeting, and need to have one soon to review and add to these items.

Geoffrey Ortiz

Demotion Party for President Chris

President Elect Kevin Boling is working on venue for Chris Bauman's Demotion Party. Most Saturdays in June are not available for Kevin. At special Demotion Party meeting on May 25 Plan A was for Demotion Party Sunday June 19th at Dukes. Plan A may not be working and Kevin will let us know time and place.

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

Malibu Rotary Club President **Chris Bauman** explained why he couldn't be at the previous week's gala Malibu Rotary Club meeting where 3 new members were inducted and where the speaker traveled from another state to deliver a presentation about events in Thailand and Burma. Chris excuse, he job depended on his delivery the annual budget to the administration and faculty of Pepperdine University. Chris said at these budget meeting there is often a conflict between what the administration wants and what the faculty wants. If one side likes his budget, the other side doesn't. After he presented the budget this year he received compliments from faculty. He hoped the administration liked it too.

Bill Wishard showed the new forever stamp of the USPS, with picture of the first Indy 500 winning race car. Immediately following the meeting Bill was again flying back to Indianapolis, where he goes every Memorial Day to be at what he describes as the largest attended sporting event in the world. .

There were two guests at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of May 25th. Our speaker's father **Jack Hass** had to be very proud as his daughter Lauren delivered her impressive presentation. Also attending the meeting was **Nicola Lenehan**, a project leader in technology.

Rotary Club of Malibu is now on Facebook

At Malibu Rotary Club meeting of May 25 **McKade Marshall** was asked if he could develop a Rotary Club of Malibu Facebook account. Within an hour of the meeting, McKade not only had one account Malibu Rotary Facebook account on the internet, he had two! One is a public account, set up for non-profit organizations, the other is a limited membership account. Along with himself, Chris Bauman and John Elman have been set up as administrators on these two accounts. Before the end of the week, John Elman will have uploaded about 300 pictures to these two accounts. McKade will explain more about how everyone can participate in Malibu Rotary and your personal Facebook accounts when he gives special program at Malibu Rotary Club meeting June 1 at 7:30 a.m. in Fireside Room.

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

Calendar

(all Malibu Rotary Club meetings are held at Wednesdays 7:30 a.m. in Fireside Room of Pepperdine University unless otherwise noted)

Jun 1 2011

McKade Marshall
" FaceBook 101"

Jun 8 2011

Hollie Packman
"Update on SOS"

Jun 22 2011

Wes Reutimann
"The California Cancer Research Act"