

The Award Winning Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Malibu Malibu Rotary Club President William Wishard

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- Next Regular Malibu Rotary Club Meeting Wednesday June 4 at noon at Pepperdine University Drescher Graduate campus in LC 152 (with fellowship starting at 11:30 a.m.) Speaker will be Cami Winikoff, who will present a program about "Reach for the Stars."
- Last Week's Meeting Turned Out to be a Club Assembly and Birthday Party
- Malibu Rotary Club website—maliburotary.org is now on ClubRunner Version 3 platform—all new format.
- Other News and Guests at the Last Malibu Rotary Club meeting
- Demotion Party—To be announced

- Check <u>Calendar</u> on Malibu Rotary website <u>www.maliburotary.org</u>
- Rotary International Website: <u>www.Rotary.org</u>
- Rotary District 5280 Website:<u>www.rotary5280.org/</u>
- RI President (2013-2014) Ron D Burton
- Rotary District 5280 Governor (2013-2014): Doug Baker
- Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Alice Muntean (2013-14)

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When scheduled speaker was a no show it afforded Malibu Rotary Club President Bill Wishard more time to talk about how he spent Memorial Day weekend It is the way he has spent most of his Memorial Day weekends-in his home town of Indianapolis, Indiana attending the Indy 500 auto race and related festivities.

While there he remembered it was Maggie Luckerath's birthday this week (May 29) and that a year ago Maggie spent her birthday at the event she chaired, one of Malibu Rotary Club's best fundraisers. the Brazilian Bash Blowout at Chris Bosh's house. Bill remembers that on that day he tried to attend the affair but was



not allowed out of his the rehab center following his recent heart surgery. He vowed not to miss Maggie's birthday this year and had the Malibu Rotary Club meeting May 28 end in an ad lib birthday party and gave Maggie Indy race birthday gifts he brought back with him.

Bill gave a couple of "Happy Dollars" to the club, related to things about the race. This year's Indy 500 was the safest and fastest race in history. He said those to factors were related. During crashes the race is slowed and since there were no major crashes the race went start to finish without stoppage for crash clearance. Bill also attended the post race VIP dinner and met the winner.

As we all know Bill is friends with the Parnelli Jones family since Bill and Parnelli's son Page were in rehab together following auto accidents in which they each suffered brain injuries. Bill said that usually when he calls the house and Parnelli answers Parnelli passes the phone off to his wife or Page, but this week on his return from the big race Parnelli actually wanted to talk to Bill, to get first hand reports about this year's race.

Bill also said that Page, who never spoke in public until Bill encouraged him to speak at the Malibu Rotary Club several years ago, has become a popular public speaker since then and the subject of a movie. Bill said that he will be attending a dinner in Riverside, a fund raiser for the Page Jones Foundation, where Page will be addressing an audience of 1500 people.

Other News and Guests at the Last Malibu Rotary Club meeting

David Zielski had time to talk more about his Raincatcher projects in Kenya and Uganda. He had returned and spoke about these briefly at our last meeting. The latest new Raincatcher installation was sponsored by the Entebbe Rotary Club. The projects help 50,000 people get clean drinking water. There was a videographer on the trip who video recorded 13 days and David will be presenting a report to our club at a future meeting after these video recordings are edited. On each trip David does multiple things, including helping with new Raincatcher installations, maintaining older installations, and checking on the automatic 6 month inspection of the most recent installations. He points out how previously installed wells, a popular previous source of water, fail after a few years, and a big part of what Raincatcher does is not just provide a source of clean water, but a *sustainable* source of clean water. When he goes back to the schools where earlier Raincatcher installations have been done the leaders tell him of all the side benefits of Raincatcher—the health of the students allow them to stay in school, get an education, which helps them economically, and it has even helps reduce HIV.

At least two people from the Malibu Rotary Club must be certified online by the Rotary Foundation in order for the Malibu Rotary to be eligible for Rotary Foundation grant money. **Bill Wishard, David Zielski**, and **Hubert Luckerath** are all working toward that certification.

More Happy Dollars

- Fred Cornett Granddaughter married in back yard of his house in front of 85 guests
- Margo Neal—Feeling better after recovering from foot surgery

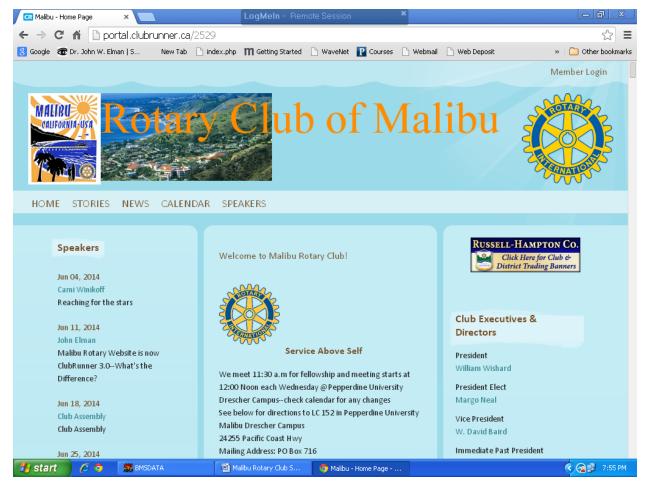
• **Maggie Luckerath**—Hosted some old friends from the East Coast celebrating a personal 51 year high school reunion in her home.

Guests

Regular guests at the May 28th meeting of the Malibu Rotary Club included **Chris Bashaw** of the *Malibu Surfwide News*, **Beth Mohiuddin of** Beth Travel Advisor and **Carlye Rudkin**.

Malibu Rotary Club converts from ClubRunner Version 2 to Version 3

At the May 28th Malibu Rotary Club Webmaster John Elman explained that he was advised by consultants at Doxess, the company that makes the ClubRunner web service that the Malibu Rotary Club subscribes to host its web site, to upgrade from version 2 to version 3.



Following the meeting John spent the day doing the conversion. He will explain the differences in the new Malibu Rotary Club website (www.maliburotary.org) at the June 11 MRC meeting.

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)
- Malibu High School Principal Jerry Block
- 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

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 of This Month's Speakers

Speaker	Date	Торіс
Cami Winikoff	Jun 04, 2014	Reaching for the stars
John Elman	Jun 11, 2014	Malibu Rotary Website is now ClubRunner 3.0What's the Difference?
		Malibu Rotary Club web master John Elman will show the many changes on the Malibu Rotary Club website maliburotary.org since converting to ClubRunner version 3.0 on May 28.
Club Assembly	Jun 18, 2014	Club Assembly
Doug Kmiec	Jun 25, 2014	Why Aristotle and Jimmy Stewart

Speaker

<u>Date</u>

Topic

were both right – AMB

Former U.S. Ambassador to Malta Douglas W. Kmiec explains Why Aristotle and Jimmy Stewart were both right – AMB.

See Full List of Future Speakers and Events on www.maliburotary.org