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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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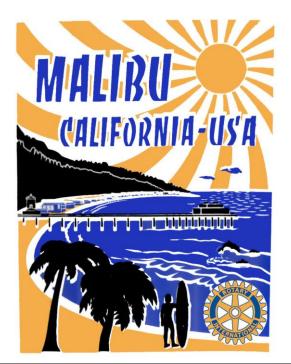
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- Malibu Rotary Club Website: www.MalibuRotary.org
- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
- Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280la.org
- Rotary District 5280 "Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians" Website: <u>http://yp5280.org/</u>
- <u>RI President (2011-2012)</u> Kalyan Banerjee
- Rotary District 5280 Governor (2011-2012): Brad Robinson
- Assistant Governor for Malibu Rotary Club: Kevin Smith
- Rotary District Newsletter—see it on Rotary District 5280 site or click here

Malibu Rotary Members Discuss Future Events at Club Assembly



We learned just before the Malibu Rotary Club meeting of October 19th that club President Kevin Boling was in the hospital (see story below). The program of the day was a Malibu Rotary Club Assembly in which future club events and policies would be discussed.

John Elman presided over meeting. Among the topics discussed were membership, programs, and events.

Membership involves both increasing membership and retention of existing members. There are some members of the who have not attending meetings in months. Of these non attending members there are 2 subgroups, those that pay dues and those that don't. The status of the nonpaying nonattending members was the one we were most concerned. These members must be contacted about there status, and it was felt that the club president should do it.

The other side of membership is gaining new members. Maggie's friend **Barbara J Riley**, who is only in Malibu part of the year, is interested in becoming a member. She is a philanthopist based in New York, and after reading her resume (which is printed near the end of this newsletter) we will be delighted to induct her into the Malibu Rotary Club when she comes to town for our Novenber 2nd meeting.

It was felt that the two main things that would encourage people to join our club (besides the friendship and fun) are continuing to have excellent programs at meetings and having club projects that everyone can get involved in.

In the area of programs we are reminded that everyone should be involved in finding them and as we discussed last week David Baird volunteered to provide programs for the months of January and February 2012. Since John Elman publishes the calendar of events, including the weekly speaker, in the weekly *Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter* e-mailed newsletter which is sent weekly to local news media, as well as posting the upcoming speaker in the Calendar section and top story of the Malibu Rotary Club website www.maliburotary.org, it was decided that he be designated as the Program Chair. This means that *the programs will be reported to him and he will publish upcoming programs as soon as they are known. It does not mean that he will be getting the programs.* Following David's 2 months of programs, it is expected that other members of the club will be a responsible for a month each of interesting programs.

As for Club events, we decided to have a "Rotary Family Day" at Bluffs Park March 25, 2012. **Geoff Ortiz** has been researching this for some time, and at this meeting was given the green light to get a permit from the City of Malibu for use of the park. Apparently if the park is used the public must be given free access to it and there cannot be an admission charge. We can however charge for games and booths, such a "bouncy balls tent." There was a discussion about consponsors for this event. Originally there was some discourse about GM showcasing its electric cars, and we are not sure if this will happen because of red tape in communicating with GM. We had a speaker from GM 2 years ago who had presented information about the Volt before it was even available to show, and now it is. How to turn this in to a money making event has been something we have been talking about for several months, but we feel we should have an family event at Bluffs Park even without GM participation. Shannon Gilman many ideas to be explored. These included bringing in as sponsors a local Autism awareness group and/or the local Board of Realtors. Other potential cosponsors mentioned were local toy store and Malibu Stage.

Maggie Luckerath discussed the Thanksgiving Dinner for Homeless that Malibu Rotarians are preparing food for in conjunction with SOS for Thursday, November 17th. More information on this is below.

Another event briefly discussed which we are definitely going to have is a Holiday party in December. Dates discussed were Wednesday evenings of Dec. 14, 21st or 28th. Many of us were leaning towards Guido's Restaurant in Malibu. Two other restaurants that were not previously contacted but will be this week are Beaurivage and Sunset Restaurants. Both of these venues generally cost more, but if event chair **Bill Wishard** can negotiate a deal they are in the running for our holiday party. He is aiming to get venue for limit of \$35.00 including tax and tip (but not including wine).

Two district events were also discussed. **Hubert Luckerath** discussed the district food drive (details below) and David Baird discussed the Rotary Foundation Celebration (Circus Vargus) as well as the raffle tickets for this event (details below). Cans for food drive, money for raffle tickets, and money for Rotary Foundation Celebration should be brought to next meeting.

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

Malibu Rotary Club/SOS Thanksgiving Dinner Nov. 17th

Maggie Luckerath has the signup sheet for Malibu Rotarians, family and friends who are providing food for the annual Malibu Rotary sponsorship of the SOS Thanksgiving Dinner for the Homeless held at Webster School in Malibu the Thursday before Thanksgiving—this year on November 17th. 200 people are expected to attend dinner.

There will be a regular morning Malibu Rotary Club meeting on Wednesday November 16th, but no meeting the following week, November 23rd, the week of Thanksgiving.

Guests

Rex Levi, a past President of the Malibu Rotary Club, ship captain, who works with **Dennis Torres** in the Pepperdine University real estate office, was a guest at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting October 19. While a member of Rotary Rex led a Rotary International Group Study Exchange to the Nation of Brunei.

Rotary Foundation Celebration—Circus Vargas

The Paul Harris Rotary Foundation Celebration Event this year is a special Rotary performance of **Circus Vargas** in Del Amo Fashion Center in Torrance on November 6. The whole family is invited to this event which will involve having fun watching a circus while raising money for the Rotary Foundation. Adult event tickets are \$65.00; children \$35.00. Malibu Rotary Club has bought a block of adult tickets for the event. Members can buy these tickets at our meeting. In addition to the event tickets **David Baird** has given out tickets for the annual Rotary Foundation Celebration raffle (\$10.00 per ticket or 12 tickets for \$100). 100% of ticket donation goes to Rotary Foundation and counts towards members annual giving to Foundation. The district would like to have all members give \$250 annually toward Foundation and a book of tickets would be \$100 toward that goal. Raffle prizes are \$3000, \$1000 and \$500.

Details of the Rotary Foundation Celebration are as follows:

Monies and stubs can be turned in until Wednesday, November 2nd. Rotary will not be collecting money at the circus. This is an exclusive performance for our District and for more information, click HERE. Please purchase tickets at our club meeting. If we see out you can purchase admission tickets online! Click HERE to access the registration form online. VISA, MC, AMEX and Discover are accepted. If we sell 1,300 raffle tickets and 1,000 entrance tickets then the Governor will perform a death defying trapeze act! To see details on this challenge, click HERE.

Circus Vargas for Rotary on November 6 Doors open at 11:00 am ^③ Pre-Show begins at 12:10 pm Tickets: \$65 adult □ \$35 children under 16 Includes: **Children and adults get one hot dog or nachos, one cotton candy or popcorn, and two beverages. Plus, each Adult ticket also gets one deli sandwich.** Del Amo Fashion Center Torrance 3 Del Amo Fashion Square, 3525 Carson Street, Torrance 90503



If you click on the following link you can print out a flyer for the event in pdf format:

http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5280//HTML/133016//CircusVargasFlyer[1].pdf



Malibu Rotary Club President Kevin Boling Hospitalized

We learned Malibu Rotary Club President Kevin Boling was hospitalized Sunday, October 16, suffering from chest pain and stress anxiety. After undergoing tests he was released from the hospital on October 19th. He is recuperating at home. Get well wishes and prayers are extended to Kevin from Rotary members and friends in Malibu and throughout the district.

Rotary District 5280 Food Drive

Starting September 1st though November 5th Rotary District 5280 has been sponsoring a Food Drive for the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank. Donate non-perishable food items to this Food Drive and then attend or participate in the Rotary Talent Show November 12th. Most needed items are canned meats, canned vegetables, canned fruits and peanut butter. These items can be brought to our club meeting, where **Hubert Luckerath** is local chair. He will make sure the cans get to the right place. That place is the Covenant Presbyterian Church, 6323 W 80th St., Westchester, where the "Rotary's Got Talent" show will be on Saturday Nov 12th 6-9 p.m. Talent will be featuring Youthactors, Interactors, Rotaractors, and Rotarians. Admission to event is \$15.00. If you haven't already brought cans to Rotary meeting you can bring cans there. To download a .pdf information sheet go to:

http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5280//HTML/138341//fooddriveflyer.pdf2.pdf

Rotary Club Vice Presidents of the Month

November: David Baird

December: Bob Syvertsen

Resume of Barbara J Riley (to be inducted into Malibu Rotary Club at morning meeting November 2)

<u>City Meals on Wheels - NY, NY</u> Board member (5 years) Chaired fundraising

<u>Riley Rink at Hunter Park - Manchester, VT</u>Board member - 7 years, Underwriter for Ice Skating Rink and Summer Music Festival

<u>Montreux Switzerland Jazz Festival</u> (9 years) Underwriter providing bronze sculptures of various musical artists - i.e. BB King, Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin, Quincy Jones, Willy Nelson, Ella Fitzgerald.--2012 for Carlos Santana.

Animal Medical Center NY, NY Board member 5 years

<u>Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, NY, NY 3</u> years Board member. Funded the restoration of the Garden Conservatory

Bide-A-Wee Animal Shelter 3 years Board member

Museum of the City of New York Women's Committee - 2 years

<u>New York Restoration Project (Bette Midler)</u> Board member - 3 years -Instituted Childrens' Garden at public elementary school in the Bronx

University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt. Honorary Doctorate Degree

<u>New Mexico National Dance Institute--</u>Board member - Funded childrens' after school programs - 5 years and funded building of the theater (named "Riley Theater")

Spirit of Anne Frank Award-Awarded for outstanding business & community leader

<u>Southern Vermont Art Center -</u> Benefactor - sponsored childrens' art programs throughout central Vermont schools

Burr & Burton Charter Academy in Manchester, Vt.-Benefactor for computer programming - school news & T.V. connection to UVM-

Hildene - Robert Todd Lincoln Home-Endowment for childrens' programs

<u>Food-TV Network – NY-</u>Chair for <u>Let's Make Sure Everybody Eats</u> tied with "Share our Strength" to feed the hungry nationwide

Panama - Sponsor for Panamanian women to learn a craft trade and education project

Interior Decorating -Owned business NYC for 10 years. Published in Architectural Digest Magazine

Dorset Theater Festival, Dorset, Vt -Board Member - 7 years

<u>Dorset Elementary School - Dorset, Vt.-</u>Sponsored the Spanish Language Program for 3 years until it was approved by the Board of Education as part of the curriculum.

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 palette and raise money for the International Children's Surgical Foundation. The organization provides surgery, training for 3rd world surgeons, plus follow-up care for correction surgical of children's cleft palette disease. 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 country. As of October 12th he has raised almost \$30,000 for ICSF, over half 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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Calendar

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

Oct 26 2011 Colin Macfarlane "Bangladesh Clubfoot Program"

Colin Macfarlane, a member of Rotary e-Club One in district 5450 and an honorary member of RC Dhaka Buriganga in Bangladesh his home bases are Melbourne Australia and Dhaka Bangladesh. He will talk about the Bangladesh Clubfoot Project: These children have a future because Rotarians care.

5000 children (maybe 7000 feet) a year are born with clubfeet in Bangladesh : before the program started most went untreated. In just two years we are now approaching 4000 feet under correction by the Ponseti Method. This method involves no invasive surgery and has a 95% success rate in children under 12 months old.

Nov 16 2011

Deputy Shawn Bromnell and Deputy Robert De Santis of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to talk about the latest in Sheriff's activity in Malibu.

Nov. 17th 2011 (Thursday 6:00 pm Webster School 3602 Winter Canyon Road, Malibu

Malibu Rotary Club/SOS Thanksgiving Dinner (Maggie Luckerath is chair)