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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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- Check [Calendar](#) on Malibu Rotary website www.maliburotary.org
- Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org
- Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280.org/
- RI President (2016-2017) John F. Germ
- Rotary District 5280 Governor (2016-2017) Greg O'Brien

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Left: Pete Peterson, Dean Pepperdine School of Public Policy and Moderator of the Malibu Rotary Malibu City Candidates Forum. Right: Malibu Rotary Club President for the month and Candidates Forum Co-Chair John W Elman

October 19th Malibu Rotary Club Sponsors Malibu City Council Forum 6:30 p.m. in Fireside Room

Malibu Rotary Club President of the Month John Elman and **Allan Mannheim** have been working on the Malibu Rotary Club sponsored Malibu City Council Form for the past month. Rental Agreement has been signed for the Malibu Rotary Club to use the Fireside Room on the main Pepperdine Campus on October 19th. John and Allan will be there at 3:00 p.m. working with the AV and set up crew. John is bringing Rotary and American flags as well as Rotary badges. Besides being a public forum this event is considered a Rotary meeting. All members are expected to be there. There will be tables near the door for the Malibu Rotary Club to display Rotary literature and for candidates to display their literature. Carlye will bring water for the candidates and Margo will bring Rotary literature. Allan Mannheim will be the time keeper and David Baird will give the invocation.



From left are Malibu City Council Candidates: Carl Randall, Rick Mullen, Jennifer deNicola, Skylar Peak, Lauren Sills, Jefferson “Zuma Jay” Wagner. The picture above was taken at the Malibu Times City Council Candidates Forum on September 21.

October 19th Malibu Rotary Club Sponsors Malibu City Council Candidates Forum in Fireside Room of Pepperdine University main campus at 6:30 pm (no noon Malibu Rotary meeting at Pepperdine)-- This is a special forum opened to the public and moderated by **Pete N.. Peterson**, Dean and Sr. Fellow Davenport Institute Pepperdine School of Public Policy and will be held at 6:30 p.m Oct 19, 2016 in the Fireside Room of Pepperdine main campus.

The election for Malibu City Council will be part of the next General Election on November 8, 2016.

Three Malibu City Council seats will be open and are currently held by Joan House, Skylar Peak, and John Sibert. The following is a complete list of qualified candidates as their names will appear on the ballot:

Jennifer deNicola

Rick Mullen

Carl Randall

Laureen Sills

Skylar Peak

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All the candidates have confirmed acceptance of Malibu Rotary Club's invitation to participate. I has been trying to convince people to attend our free live event at 6:30 p.m. even though it conflicts with the 3rd Trump-Clinton Presidential Debate. Tell your Malibu neighbors there is ample opportunity to see the presidential debate by recording it on TV, seeing it in its entirety later on YouTube, or catching re-enactment of highlights on SNL

Other news from last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

Highlights of the Rotary District Breakfast

John Elman and **Bill Wishard** reported the Rotary District Breakfast they attended the previous morning with **Allan Mannheim, Teresa LeGrove, and Peter and Sally Formosa** (Peter rejoined the Malibu Rotary Club at the breakfast meeting). The breakfast featured an Olympic of 5-time Olympic medalist medalist Janet Evans, 2-time Olympian and silver medalist Haley Anderson and 12-time medalist and paralympian Candace Cable, as well as Jeff Millman, which is the Chief Communications Chair for the LA2024 Olympic Committee. Each of the women had inspiring stories to tell, had did so with great humor.

Haley Anderson said she always tried to follow in the footsteps of her sister, who was a competitive swimmer and 14 months older than her. In high school she did everything her sister did, and it was difficult because her sister was so good at what she did. The sister, Alyssa, continued her swimming at the University of Arizona. Haley decided to go to USC, where she was on the USC Trojans swimming and diving teams. She decided to start to compete in a sport that was new to the Olympics, but probably one of the first type swimming people ever did, swimming not in a pool, but in open water like rivers and lakes. She described how one of the first of these events she competed was in Canada. In June 2012, Anderson qualified for the **2012 Summer Olympics** by placing first at the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier in **Setubal** in the 10-kilometer open water event. She won a silver medal in the 10-kilometer open water event at the 2016 Olympics in Rio.

Janet Evans, who was born in 1971 in Fullerton, described how she was inspired to be an Olympian as a child when she went to the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. When she was 17 years old she competed in her first Olympics and was very excited to beat the East German team. In 1987, she broke the world records in the **400-meter, 800-meter, and 1,500-meter** freestyle

distances. At the [1988 Summer Olympics](#) in Seoul, South Korea, she won three individual gold medals, and she also earned the nickname "Miss Perpetual Motion." Evans won the 400-meter and 800-meter freestyle events at the U.S. National Championships 12 times each, the largest number of national titles in one event by an American swimmer in the 100-year history of the competition. At the end of Evans' swimming career, she held seven world records, five Olympic medals (including four gold medals), and 45 American national titles – third only to [Tracy Caulkins](#) and [Michael Phelps](#).

Evans ended her swimming career, for all practical purposes, at the [1996 Summer Olympics](#) in Atlanta, Georgia. She did not win any medals, but she did add one more highlight to her life. She was given the honor of carrying the Olympic torch in the opening ceremony, and she handed the torch to the American boxing legend [Muhammad Ali](#) to light the cauldron. She developed a friendship with Ali, which continues with Ali's widow.

In her interview at the Rotary District breakfast Evans said, "it's wonderful to win Olympics, but 90% of the Olympians to win medals and it's important to give back." She was inspired by the Olympics she saw as a child and that is why she is part of the committee to bring the games home to Los Angeles in 2024—"to inspire."

Candace Cable's story was especially inspiring. She was born in West Covina and told the story of how in 1975 when she was 21 years old she was in an auto accident in which she suffered a spinal cord injury and lost the use of her legs. She spent a year in depression, feeling sorry for herself. Finally she decided to go to college and enrolled at Long Beach State University, where she was dismayed to find the campus was on different levels, and she hardly had enough energy to make it to classes. She decided to train with the Long Beach State swim team and the coach let her. In high school she had not been competitive, but she found that training with the swim team made her competitive. It became important to make small goals for herself. "Five feet, five feet, five feet." Have joy in what you do.

Besides swimming Candace became competitive in wheel chair racing and later even in downhill skiing. She was instrumental in the sport of wheelchair racing not just by being a participant and winner, but in the design of competitive wheelchairs. She said that when she started the sport of wheelchair racing people were all in 50 pound Everest & Jennings standard wheelchairs. If you were in a street race the wheelchairs would pull towards the curb because of the crown of the road. She developed a device which would turn the wheelchair toward the center of the road. She was told if she used the device that she would be disqualified. She used the device, won the race, and was disqualified. She argued that everyone should use the device to make the sport better. It was, and so were other wheelchairs designed specifically for racing—three wheelers with the bottom of the wheel turned out further than the tops.

Candace Cable has been ranked number one nationally in wheelchair racing competition from 1984 to 1990. Furthermore, internationally, she has won 75 marathons, including six Boston Marathons (1981, '82, '85, '86, '87, & '88) and has set world records in every distance throughout her 21-year career. Winning two Olympic medals in three Summer Olympic Games, Candace participated in the only exhibition event for the disabled. Additionally, she has won nine Gold medals in five Summer Paralympic Games. Since 1990, Candace has been competing

on the United States Disabled Ski Team, winning three Paralympic medals on the Alpine team. In 1994, she switched to the Cross Country Team, and is currently on the “A” team.

To say that Candace has been an inspiration of disabled people is an understatement.

Special 6 Club Rotary meeting November 30

November 30 6:00 p.m. Rotary District Assistant Governor Richard Miller has arranged for Special Dinner Meeting of 6 Rotary Clubs (including Malibu RC) at the Sagebrush Cantina, 23527 Calabasas Rd, Calabasas, CA 91302. Cost is dinner is \$25.00. (no Malibu Rotary noon meeting at Pepperdine that day). Malibu Rotarians should RSVP and pay to our Treasurer Carlye Rudkin.

Malibu Rotary Club Holiday Party

- Carlye has confirmed December 14 Holiday Party in Wine Room in Tra di Noi Restaurant at Malibu Country Mart at 6:00 p.m. (no noon meeting)—Cost of \$37.00/person includes tax and tip. Menu is salad, entrée choice of Chicken Marsala or Salmone, and Tiramisu for desert. Carlye may throw in a bottle or 2 of her Malibu wine. RSVP to Carlye Rudkin. Space limited to first 20.

Rotary District Events

October 22nd is the Rotary Foundation Celebration Dinner aboard the Battleship USS Iowa. This is a sold out event, but Margo, David Baird, and Bill Wishard have verified tickets. Margo announced that Rotary district World War II veterans will be honored in the event program. Malibu Rotarian Fred Cornett qualifies for this and will be so honored.

Humanitarian Trip to Merida, Mexico will take place January 25-30 2017, and will feature Rotarians participating in 7 different humanitarian projects. Margo is going on trip. She said that the district is asking each Rotary Club in the Los Angeles district to contribute something towards a Rotary project in Merida.

Rotary District Leadership Skills Courses will take place February 4 and 11th

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August 2016-----Margo Neal

September 2016—David Zielski

October 2016-----John Elman

November 2016—W. David Baird

December 2016—Bill Wishard

January 2017-----Robert "Bob" Syvertsen

February 2017-----John Elman

March 2017-----W. David Baird

April 2017-----Margo Neal

May 2017-----Robert "Bob" Syverstsens

June 2017-----David Zielski

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- **October 26 John Elman “Don't Ask Me Again”--Use ClubRunner for Communication and Answering Club Questions--** The Malibu Rotary Club and Rotary District 5280 subscribe to ClubRunner. ClubRunner has tools that help Rotary Club members communicate and answer questions 24-7, but few members use it. In this session John Elman tells you how.
- **November 9 Divid Zielski will Talk About Using Social Media**
- **November 10-13 will be Zone Institute at Fess Parker Resort**
- **November 15 will be USC/UCLA Tailgate Lunch**
- **November 16 Speaker at the Malibu Rotary Club will be Gern Munro. Gern is Director of Amarok Society, a registered Canadian charity that provides education programs to the very poor in Bangladesh, Pakistan and Nigeria.**
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