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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:** <http://yp5280.org/>
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- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2010-2011): Doug Baker**

Rotary District Governor Doug Baker Shows Humor and Tells It Like It Is



The Malibu Rotary Club meeting of September 1 was a very special one. Malibu Rotary Club President **Chris Bauman** (left) introduced the Malibu Rotary Club officers to Rotary District Governor **Doug Baker** (below) and his Executive Aid **Jose Vasquez**. Then club committee officers talked about club projects. It was good to see

Geoff Ortiz, who was able to talk about the Youth Services (now designated by Rotary as New



Generations), which is probably one of Malibu Rotary’s strong avenues of service in the community. As

vocational service, community service, and New Generations Service, the annual Malibu Rotary Malibu High and Middle School Singing completion is one of Malibu Rotary Clubs most notable events. Adopt A Highway with Pepperdine Rotaract Club also crosses many avenues of service, and Geoff talked about these.

David Baird talked about how Pepperdine University has had Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars every year, and this year there are two. Although the club cannot sponsor them all, David has been our representative of Rotary on campus to tell potential students about how to apply through their home clubs. **Margo Neal**

talked about programs, and Chris talked about various things the club was doing to try to promote Malibu Rotary Club in the community and increase membership. Chris also introduced the young McKade Marshall, whom he sponsored and encouraged to become a member and asked District Governor Doug Baker to induct him into the Malibu Rotary Club that very day.

“The fine art of jocularly”

After DG Doug listened to reports from Club President Chris and the Malibu Rotary Club committee heads he “took the stage.” While most Rotary district governors have a pre-set speech that they deliver to each club in the district as he or her makes his or her annual visit, Doug ad libs his presentation to each club. And he does it with the humor of standup comedian. He could hardly get off a word before being interrupted several times by Malibu Rotary’s own standup comedian and house heckler at the back of the room, **Kevin Boling**. Doug finally had to announce to Kevin and the rest of the audience he works alone.

Although he said that in reading the book *100 Years of Rotary* one of the main reasons that Paul Harris started Rotary in the first place back in 1905 was to “practice the fine art of jocularly.” Rotary’s main purpose in the beginning was to have fun—it was after that that enrichment and service became pillars of its existence. And the first service project was the public toilets the Chicago Rotary Club built on Michigan Avenue. That project had to do not all with the needs of the community, the first community service project, but also it was a vocational service project. Rotarians were businessmen who wanted the women of Chicago to stay in town and shop. But at the turn of the century, with no downtown public bathrooms, the women would have to return home to go to the bathroom or go into one of the downtown bars unescorted, something a self-respecting lady would not do. So when that first public rest room was built it meant that the ladies could stay downtown and shop longer.

Vocational service was a very important part of the original Rotary Clubs. To be a member of a Rotary club, Rotarians were supposed to only do business with other Rotarians. Even before the 4 Way Test was articulated in 1932 by Herbert J. Taylor, the ethics involved in good business relationships was a hallmark of Rotary.

Service organizations in the United States have all seen their membership dwindle in the last few years. Rotary has maintained its 1.2 million members by the addition of clubs in other countries. Rotary International has worried about the dwindling membership of Rotary districts and clubs.

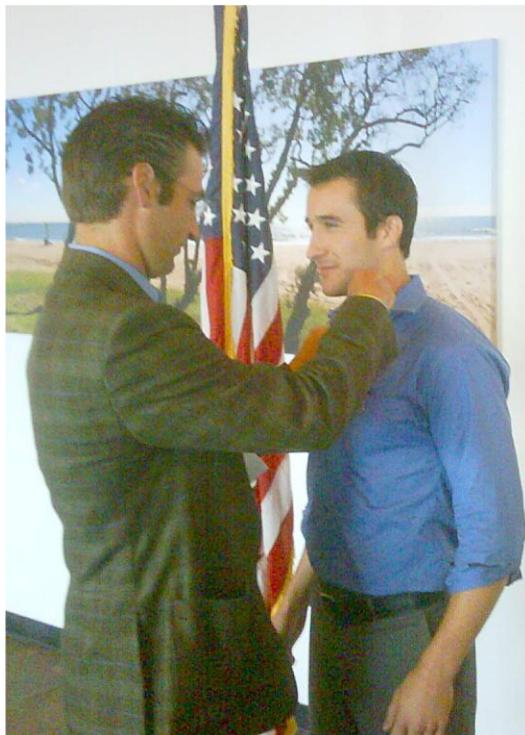
Doug said there is an expression “Don’t squat while you wear your spurs.” We’re not sure exactly what that means except there needs to be involvement of all Rotary members in order to make them become members and stay members. You need a shovel in your hand and do it. Overall Doug emphasized getting back to the basics of Rotary—the reasons and things that brought the original group of people together

form Rotary clubs at the start of the 20th century. Other countries seem to recognize it more than Americans. It is not enough to just give money, and for sure in these economic times we have less of that to give, although Americans give the most. There is power in fellowship and getting involved.

For many years there were only 4 avenues of Rotary service: club service, community service, vocational service and international service. This year the 5th avenue of service was added—New Generations. This is a time when youth needs help and guidance. The two leading causes of death among teenagers is suicide and murder. With such efforts as RYLA, Interact, and other endeavors, Rotary hopes to make an impact on helping our youth.

DG Doug brought a message to the Malibu Rotary Club that he said he was just a messenger for, but some ideas that are coming from Rotary International. Rotary International is considering merging clubs that have less than 20 members, and merging and reconfiguring districts that have become too small. It is possible that the Malibu Rotary Club, which borders Rotary District 5260 in the San Fernando Valley, might cease to exist as part of the Los Angeles Rotary District 5280. At the present the minimum membership to form a new club is 25.

With that sobering news we were so delighted to have McKade Marshall join our ranks and hopefully start our journey back to the critical 20 member club that Rotary International (and current members) want the club to be.



McKade Marshall Inducted Into Malibu Rotary Club by DG Doug

McKade Marshall, a transplant from Abilene, TX, a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, who is now living and working in Malibu as a personal assistant, was inducted into the Malibu Rotary Club under the classification Real Estate. He also is an actor. His induction was done in a special by Rotary District Governor Doug Baker, His sponsor into the Malibu Rotary Club is Malibu Rotary Club President Chris Bauman, who is shown pinning the Rotary wheel onto McKade's collar during the ceremony.. Although there was a larger gathering for this ceremony in the Pepperdine Fireside Room than most Malibu Rotary Club

meetings there was not enough room to hold all of McKade's 2,635 Facebook friends!

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Club Meeting

There was a full house for the governor's visit. Rotary District Assistant Governor **Linton Morgan** of the Inglewood Rotary Club, was again visiting the September 1s Malibu Rotary meeting with DG Doug and Executive Aid Jose Vasquez as part of the district official entourage. In addition to these Margo brought a guest, **Michelle Cory**, who puts together cruise packages. It's not surprising that Margo knows people in the travel business, it seems she is always flying off somewhere, but with Michelle's help she can float off somewhere.

Jack Corrodi brought two guests, his daughter **Theresa Corrodi** along with her friend **Kip Milo**.



Do you know your assignment for the Malibu Rotary Club Booth at the Chili Cook Off on September 4 and 5?

The original signup sheet of volunteers for Malibu Rotarian duties at the September 4th and 5th Chili Cookoff had disappeared. President Chris assembled a new duty roster which will be available the following week and hopefully posted on the Malibu Rotary Club website. President Chris and event chair Kevin Boling will be there starting Friday night, and will be there for 3 days. Kevin suggested that if each member buys 2 cases of Arrowhead water (24 pk) to the next meeting and donates it to the club, then each sale of the water at the Chili Cookoff for \$1.00 will be pure profit for our fund raiser. Most of the members brought 2 cases to the September 1 meeting and there were collected by Chris after the meeting and put into his truck. Jack was going to bring more to the event.

Kevin is planning to start his cooker and sell beef on Friday. In addition to the Malibu Rotary booth Kevin is entering as a contestant in the Chili Cook Off. Malibu Rotary Club booth needs more volunteers—contact Chris for this.

The September 4 and 5th Malibu Kiwanis Club Cook Off on the Rotary District 5280 Calendar, accessible online from our club site (www.maliburotary.org) the district website : www.rotary5280la.org, or the website of any other club in the district using Clubrunner. Because

of a discussion with district office we are calling the “Malibu Chili Cook Off” because we can’t use the “K” word on the Malibu District Calendar.

Kevin Boling and Chris Bauman will be there for the entire time, but everyone else in the Malibu Rotary Club should have signed up for one (or more) of the 2 hour shifts on Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call or e-mail Chris for official signup list.



Boling Kevin

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- **Date:** • Sep 4 2010 at 12:00 PM - Sep 5 2010 at 05:00 PM
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- **Event Fee:** • \$10.00 per person
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- **Location:** • Malibu Civic Center
- • Civic Center Way
- • Corner of Stuart Ranch Rd
-  **Map** • Malibu, CA, 90401
- • United States
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- **Event Detail:** • **The Annual Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off will be held September 4th and 5th in the Malibu Civic Center area. It is a fund raiser not only for Kiwanis but other service organizations, including Malibu Rotary Club. In addition to selling water, which the Malibu Rotary Club had done for the past several years, Kevin Boling will be cooking and selling his award winning Tri-Tip Bar B-Q and burgers in the Malibu Rotary Club booth using his portable barbecue oven. Bring the whole family and enjoy the live music, food and fun.**
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Project TRIUMPH (Today's Revolution Is Understanding; Make Peace Happen) is a grassroots effort to bring Arab and Jewish teenagers together in the spirit of collaboration to build a shared vision for a peaceful future. The

program was conceived by Ilan Magdali of the Newbury Park Rotary Club. It brought 10 teenage Arab and 10 teenage Jewish students from Israel to a leadership camp in Simi Valley where they all learned to work together, develop leaders skills before returning to Israel to use what they learned back home. Most of us feel helpless in trying to find a solution to the constant war in the Middle East, but at least this program is trying to do something. Initially sponsorship of this program had been mostly from the Newbury Park Rotary Club and Rotary Clubs in District 5240 and private and corporate donors. Malibu Rotary Club was the first Rotary Club in Rotary District 5280 to support the project.

Pictured above are the students who were hosted in 2008 as they visited Malibu on their way to the leadership camp. Today the program no longer is bringing the students to the US. There is a partnership with the Rotary Club of Haifa and one in Italy to get Jewish and Arab students out of Israel to a place where they can learn to work together and apply this when they return to Israel. A new Pilot TRIUMPH project is being developed. It concentrates it's efforts on the students in the City of Acre in Israel as a year long program with Jewish and Arab students working together making a video documentary that strives for lifelong results. The new Pilot TRIUMPH project is a non-profit organization with Leon Berg, as its CEO.

If you would like to help with Project TRIUMPH you can contact Shoshana Brower at shobrower@gmail.com or Leon Berg at Leon.Berg@gmail.com.



Malibu Rotary Club Supports BioSand Filters in Ecuador

Malibu Rotary Club voted to send \$500 to the Rotary Club of Pontiac Michigan to help build and install BioSand Filters in Santo Domingo De Los Colorados, Ecuador. As was noted by Carol Cousineau, who, along with husband Ron brought the project to our attention, after installing the first BioSand filters in Ecuador (and pictured left), "That money would be matched by the next District Grant, which we have been assured we will get. So, for instance \$500.00 would become \$750.00.

The filters and two 5 gallon safe water containers per unit, cost around \$60.00 each, so a donation of \$500.00 would provide 12 families of five or more with 20 gallons of water each day - enough for drinking, cooking, brushing teeth, bathing and washing clothes! The filters

are expected to last at least 50 years without the need to add any expense except chlorine - available and inexpensive. That means each family will have more money to provide more nutritious food for their families, since they don't have to pay for propane to boil their water. It will mean more time to spend with their children, rather than boiling or foraging for firewood. With great improvement in the health of all the family members, fewer cases of diarrhea and stomach flu from bad water and parasites, the parents will better be able to hold down a job and provide for their families, children will be able to attend school more days and have a better future.

We are excited about this project because we anticipate that this is just the beginning. All over Ecuador, there are families struggling to survive, with a high infant mortality rate, because of bad water. This successful project will be a shining example and model. Rotary is the perfect vehicle for getting the word out about BioSand and accomplishing the goal of providing safe drinking water for the world. **BioSand** is one of the four methods of purifying water recommended for Third World Countries by the World Health Organization. (We have researched the others. Since they provide only a small amount of water for drinking, are small and ceramic, so more susceptible to breakage or deterioration, or adding so much chlorine that the people won't drink it, the concrete BioSand is by far the best choice for all but mountainous areas, where a more expensive plastic version of BioSand is an alternative.)”

For a while it looked like the matching grant process was not going to happen. When Malibu Rotarian Bill Wishard visited Ecuador in March, 2010, he was able to meet with Ecuador Past District 4400 Governor, Juan Prinz, to get project back on track.

Calendar

September 4 & 5—Malibu Kiwanis Chili Cook Off (with Malibu Rotary Club participation—check duty roster for your shift—Kevin and Chris in charge will set up on Friday, September 3)

September 8, 2010 Bob Brager "Update on Legacy Park"

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