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Malibu Rotary Club Surfwriter

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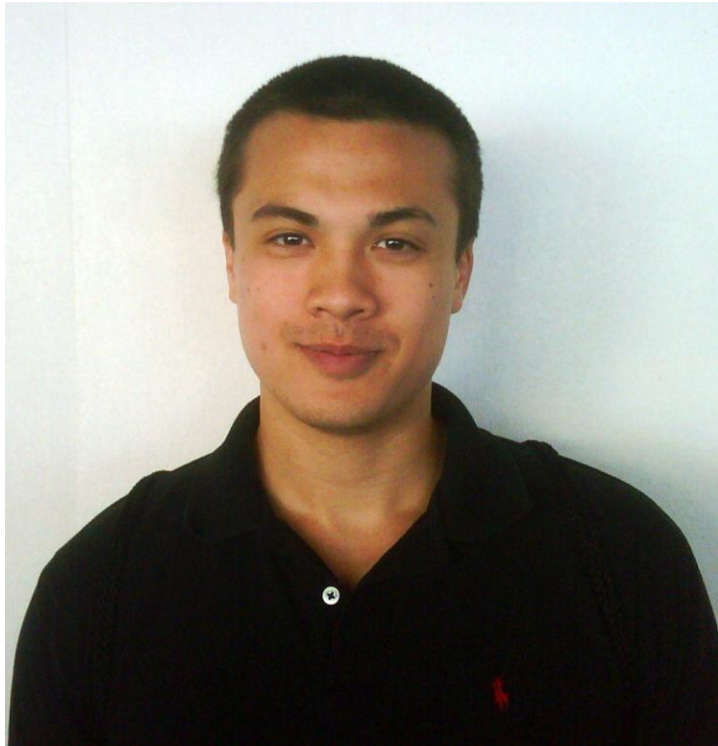
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- **Malibu Rotary Club Website: www.MalibuRotary.org**
- **Rotary International Website: www.Rotary.org**
- **Rotary District 5280 Website: www.rotary5280la.org**
- **Rotary District 5280 “Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians” Website: <http://yp5280.org/>**
- **[RI President \(2010-2011\)](#) Ray Klinginsmith**
- **Rotary District 5280 Governor (2010-2011): Doug Baker**

Pepperdine Senior Zachary Delap, 2011-2012 Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar to New Zealand



Zachary Delap was born in the northern California town of Los Gatos, about 60 miles south of San Francisco, of Irish and Chinese parents. The schools he attended were small. His middle school had a total of 100 students. He went to Pacific Grove High School, which has many activities sponsored by the Rotary Club of Pacific Grove. The Pacific Grove Rotary Club has sponsored an annual track meet at Pacific Grove High School since 1968 which attracts participants from 25 schools. The Pacific Grove Rotary Club also sponsors a high school Interact Club and also a camp, what most of Rotary calls RYLA, except on the Monterey Peninsula Rotary District 5230 they call RYLA Camp Royal.

For two weeks in June, the YMCA camp at Sequoia Lake, just outside Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park, is transformed into Camp Royal. Camp Royal is organized to reward and further train high school students who have completed their 11th grade and have previously demonstrated leadership ability. The program is designed to improve those leadership abilities in preparation for their senior year of high school. At the camp, these participants are challenged with important opportunities and encouraged to think through, resolve conflicts of value, and create a “Leadership Lab” in an environment where individual attendees can apply leadership concepts in a “learn by doing” arena. The Pacific Grove Rotary Club participates in Camp Royal each year by selecting a boy and a girl from Pacific Grove High School to attend Camp Royal.

Zachary Delap was the 11th grade boy selected to go to Camp Royal from his high school. He had been exposed to Rotary at an early age and saw firsthand some of the things Rotary did in his community.

When selecting a college Zach's father wanted him to go to UCLA, which is where his father graduated. Zach applied to the UC campuses, but another person he knew was applying to Pepperdine University. Zach had never heard of it. When he went to visit campuses. He was told that at the UC campuses he would be in classes with hundreds of students where he would not even meet his professors. He would be taught by teaching assistants. At Pepperdine he would be in smaller classes averaging about 30 students. When Zach saw the beauty of the Pepperdine Malibu campus, he knew where he wanted to go. He was used to the smaller schools and he has not regretted his Pepperdine experience.

Zach is a Political Science-International Relations major at Pepperdine and will graduate this week. He was hoping to land either a Fulbright Scholarship or Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship for post graduate study. Because of his familiarity with Rotary he decided to try to get a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Rotary Districts tend to spread the sponsorship of Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships around to various clubs in a district, so the same club usually is not selected by the district to sponsor Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars in consecutive years or even every other year. Because of this Pepperdine Dean-Emeritus and History Professor David Baird a long time Rotarian, has encouraged qualified Pepperdine undergraduates to apply for these elite Rotary Ambassadorial scholarships from their home town Rotary Clubs. In Zach's case this was the Rotary Club of Pacific Grove. When he went home to Pacific Grove and asked people at the Rotary Club about sponsoring him as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar they didn't know exactly what to do. Although they had all these ongoing wonderful community programs with the high school, they had never previously sponsored a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. Zach went on the internet and got all the documents needed. We heard last month from another Pepperdine Rotary Ambassadorial scholar, **Luci Prosapio**, had to go through a rigorous interview process at the Rotary District headquarters in Minnesota to qualify for her Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Such was not the case with Zachary. Only 6 people applied for Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships in his home Rotary District 5230, and 4 of them were chosen as Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars. Since the Pacific Grove Rotary Club already knew Zach from his high school days at Camp Royal he didn't even have to go for a separate interview. You want a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, download the apps and you got your scholarship. There was probably more to it than that but Zach made it sound simple.

Zach chose New Zealand as place to go for his Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship experience, because he had been to Australia, liked it, and wanted to know more about neighboring New Zealand, which seemed like an interesting place to go. He still needs to be accepted to a college in Auckland, New Zealand where he hopes to receive a Masters in International Relations. Besides studying there he hopes to work on a Rotary project. The project will depend on the needs of the country and he does not know what that will be. Suggestions that Rotary International has given him as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar is to speak at Rotary clubs in the host country and don't talk about religion or politics. He will be in New Zealand from February 27 to October 27, 2012.

You go, Grasshopper

Zach is not going directly to New Zealand from America. In fact where he is going after Pepperdine graduation may be more challenging than his trip to New Zealand. Zach has signed up to spend three months on a mountain top in northern China in a Shaolin Temple where he will spend 8 hours per day learning meditation and martial arts from Shaolin Buddhist priests. The discipline and exercise are rigorous. It is all taught in Mandarin Chinese. Zach speaks Cantonese Chinese and has taken Mandarin Chinese classes. He said the tuition for Shaolin Temple experience, which includes the classes and room and board is only \$600 per month. Fortunately he only has to pay it one month at a time, because he is not sure if he will survive past the first month. We hope to see him again and catch up on all his international experiences.

Other News and Guests from Last Malibu Rotary Club Meeting

Zach is one of two Pepperdine students leaving this year to travel abroad as Rotary Ambassadorial scholars. The other one is **Luci Prosapio** who was sponsored by her home Rotary Club in Minnesota to study in South Africa. Luci was also at today's Malibu Rotary Club meeting. She spoke at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting on February 16th (See [MalibuRotary.org](http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrG/Home/storyitem.asp?cid=2529&iid=191280) or go to <http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrG/Home/storyitem.asp?cid=2529&iid=191280>).

Malibu Rotary Club President **Chris Bauman** gave both Zach and Luci a supply of Malibu Rotary Club flags to exchange with Rotary clubs in their respective host countries. Chris also got Luci in touch with **Hal Walker**, [Malibu Rotary club speaker of April 13](#) who has an ongoing Computer Literacy Program in South Africa which has qualified for Rotary Foundation matching grants. With this introduction Luci spoke to on the phone for 2 hours.

President Chris Bauman said he thought it was his alarm going off at 5:00 a.m. Actually it was **Kevin Boling** calling him to tell him he had to go to the doctor, and would not be at the Malibu Rotary Club meeting. Because of that the much anticipated triple induction of **Danielle Anjou**, **Hubert and Maggie Luckerath** will be deferred at least one week, and most likely two. Sculpture Danielle is a





member of the Rotary Club of Montecido, CA, who has moved to Malibu. Maggie and Hubert moved to Malibu from Denville, NJ. In 1991 Maggie was recognized by the Rotary Club of Denville as Citizen of the Year and was presented the plaque shown. We have already seen that since Maggie has arrived in Malibu, she has he immersed herself in community affairs, SOS to Save the Trancas Nursery. We look forward to welcoming the trio of new members at our next meeting.

The normal meeting place, Pepperdine's Fireside Room, will not be available on May 4th, so it looks like the next Malibu Rotary Club meeting will be May 11th. **Danielle, Hubert and Maggie** were all at the meeting, as well as two visiting Rotarians, **Jeff Runyon** an investment advisor from the Beverly Hills Rotary Club, and **Peter Melerski** from the Dusseldorf Germany Rotary Club. Peter sat next to Hubert, and the two conversed in German. Peter also added to speaker Zachary's comments because he has spent a considerable amount of time in the place where Zach is headed for his Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship experience--New Zealand. Peter is considering moving to Malibu. Both Peter and **David Baird** compared their impressions of New Zealand, from a visitors standpoint. David said they are a very hearty people, wearing shorts and leaving the windows down in winter.

Jack Corrodi is now home recovering following his stay in the hospital for a leg infection that keeps him from walking.

Malibu Rotary at Rotary District Convention

Remember Kevin's big plans on the Malibu Rotary Club participation at this year's Rotary District Convention. Malibu Rotary Club will be one of the clubs participating in the Friday, May 13th 5:00 p.m. Hospitality Party at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort in Indian Wells. He wants club participation as he cooks his pull pork sliders and makes his special margaritas. He may be selling some of his secret Barbeque Sauce as a fund raiser. Some of the Malibu Rotarians committed to help are Margo Neal and Chris Bauman. Kevin says get there for the Hospitality Night even if you can get there for the rest. Kevin says he wants to win any all cooking competitions. The special prices for rooms at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort ended April 15th, but the District is trying to get a special rate for rooms at the adjacent Esmeralda Hotel.

First Meeting of Membership Committee Held

Following the Malibu Rotary Club Meeting of April 27th the Malibu Rotary Club Membership Committee held its first meeting. Chair of the committee is Bill Wishard. Members attending included Margo Neal, Geoff Ortiz and John Elman. Function of the committee is to discuss

qualifications of potential new members of the club from a list of possible candidates suggested by current members of club at large. In addition the membership committee is to have ideas to help retain current members (retention). All members of the club should consider neighbors, business associates, and those who they come in contact with on a regular basis, who might be possible candidates for club membership and bring information regarding these people to the membership committee.

Rotary Japan and Pacific Islands 2011 Disaster Recovery Fund

Jim Dyer, District 5280 Disaster Relief Chair, sent the following message about what Rotary is doing through the Rotary Foundation in Japan's current emergency situation and how you can help.

The 9.0-magnitude earthquake, Japan's largest in history, caused a devastating tsunami that swept over northern coastal towns. At least 10,000 people are assumed dead, but government officials say the death toll will rise. The emergency situation is still unfolding but what is clear is the immediate need for money to support relief efforts and shelter.

In response to this massive earthquake and tsunami, The Rotary Foundation has established the *Rotary Japan & Pacific Islands Disaster Recovery Fund*. Also, ShelterBox, a designated Global Rotary Club Project, had response team members on the ground within 24 hours after the earthquake, one of the first international aid agencies to arrive in Japan. The first deployment of ShelterBoxes, including the provision of emergency shelter, water purification and lifesaving supplies are on their way to Tokyo with more on stand by.

During this initial response period we are encouraging District 5280 Clubs, Rotarian's and friends to support one of the Rotary affiliated relief efforts or other recognized international relief organizations like the Red Cross.

- **Rotary Japan & Pacific Islands Disaster Recovery Fund** - Checks should be made payable to The Rotary Foundation - note on your check that the contribution should be used for the Rotary Japan and Pacific Islands 2011 Disaster Recovery Fund, #G10005. Please see the attached PDF with

answers to frequently asked questions. The Foundation will begin accepting online in the coming days.

- **ShelterBox** - donations to ShelterBox USA can be made on their website at www.ShelterBoxUSA.org, or use the attached sponsorship form to mail in your donation. Be sure to note your club name and District 5280.

As relief efforts progress, we will establish direct contact with Rotarians in Japan. For more information, please contact Jim.Dyer@RotaryClubofSantaMonica.org

Jim Dyer

District 5280 Disaster Relief Chair

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

Calendar

Malibu Rotary Club Speakers (all meetings at at 7:30 a.m in the Pepperdine University Fireside Room)

May 11 2011

Triple Induction

May 18 2011

Pon Nya Mon

"Ethnic Conflict in Thailand--Possible Outcomes"

Pon Nya Mon is a Buddhist monk from Thailand who has a Master degree in Economics from Williams College, and Ph.D from Washington State University. He will be talking about Ethnic Conflict in Thailand--Possible Outcomes---and what you can do.