

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICERS 2023 - 2024

President..... Angelo DeBernardo
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Program Coordinator Jill Stone

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Heather Gorley Wendi Hammang – 1st Qtr. Programs
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CLUB SERVICE - Heather Gorley

Attendance..... Bill Bonsall
Bulletin Ashley Thompson, Gallaham Zuanich,
Debbie Robinson & David Terrazas
Classification Ian Mackenzie
Club Drawing..... Joel Miller
Detective Shelli Strahle
Historian Marv Jensen
Invocations Kasey Hinchman
Membership Background Gary Reece
Red Badge Advisor/ Member Development Chris Murphy
Sarah Madsen

Music..... Michael Harrison & Sam Bishop
Photographer Donna Maurillo
Public Relations..... Jill Stone
Rotary Information Gary Reece
We Care..... Janet Krassow
Web Master..... Peter Huemer
Song Master Jan Derecho
Fellowship/Greeter Michele Costa

SPECIAL EVENTS

Club Barbecue..... John & Linda Burroughs
Fundraiser Jill Stone
Holiday Program..... Wes Walker

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ COMMUNITY FUND

President Erik Dybdahl
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COMMUNITY SERVICE - Traci Bliss

Benevolence and Grants..... Fred Gawlick
Community Project Traci Bliss & Fred Gawlick
Senior Citizens..... Jeanette Pagliaro
RotaCare Larry Fogelquist
Salvation Army Bell Ringers Sam Bishop
Beach Clean Up..... Donna Maurillo
Avenues of Flags Chris Murphy
R.Y.L.A..... Molly Parks & Jim Courtright
Interact Molly Parks & Kris Munro
Rotaract Annie Asche
Speech Contest..... Bob Bosso, Peter Dean & Elizabeth Hammack
Club Youth Service Chair Michele Costa
Club Youth Protection Officer..... David Terrazas

VOCATIONAL SERVICE - Bob Davidson

Club Directory Ian Mackenzie
Career Planning Bob Davidson
Magazine Bob Davidson
Academic Scholarships Richard Beach
Vocational Scholarships..... Michael Harrison

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - Jim Weisenstein

World Community Service..... Jim Weisenstein
Rotary Foundation..... Annie Asche
Youth Exchange David Terrazas
Sister City Coordinator David Terrazas

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ ENDOWMENT

Chairman Linda Burroughs
Secretary..... Donna Maurillo
Treasurer Ian Mackenzie

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS 2023 - 2024

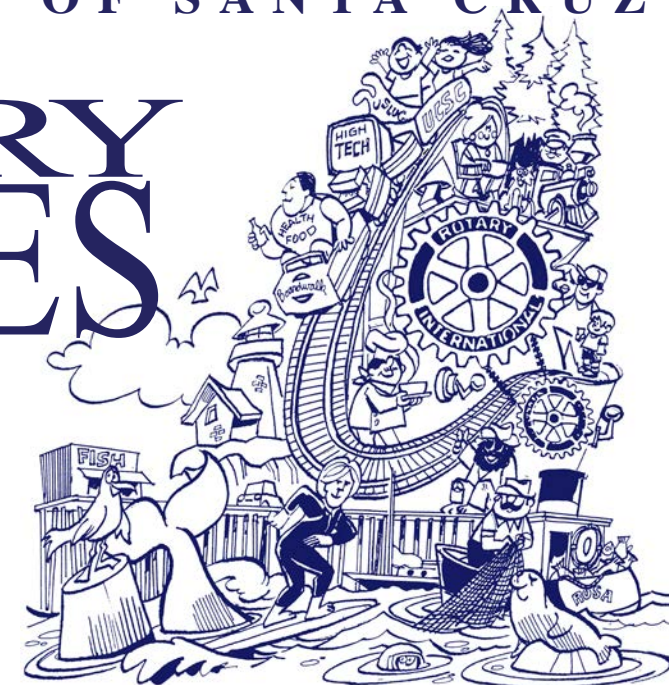
President..... Gordon R. McNally
District Governor 5170 Hung Wei
International Convention..... Singapore
Assistant Governor, Area 7 Kristen Fabos

CLUBS OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Scotts Valley..... Mondays 12:15 PM
Freedom Go to <https://freedomrotary.org> for meeting times
Watsonville..... Elks Club..... Wednesdays 12:15 PM
Santa Cruz Sunrise..... DeLaveaga Golf Course Thursdays 7:15 AM
Capitola / Aptos..... Seascape Golf Club Thursdays 12:15 PM
San Lorenzo Valley..... Scopazzi's Thursdays 7:00 PM

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ

ROTARY SPOKES



P.O. Box 497 – Santa Cruz, CA 95061

Meets Friday at 12:15 p.m.

The Elks Lodge – 150 Jewel Street

Create Hope in the World

March 1, 2024

President - Angelo DeBernardo

Editor - Debbie Robinson

Matt Huffaker
Santa Cruz City Manager

Matt is entering his third year serving as the Santa Cruz City Manager. He also worked for the City of Watsonville in the same capacity, and has over 20 years of experience working for local governments across California.

Matt has a passion for tackling complex challenges, which makes Santa Cruz a great fit! He also serves as the Vice President for the Monterey Bay Economic Partnership and Treasurer for Second Harvest Food Bank. He lives in Soquel, with his wife and three children.

Programs - Matt Falconer

Invocation: Janet Gluch

Detective: Donna Maurillo

Announcements

2024 Rotary Night at the Santa Cruz Warriors is fast approaching on Saturday, March 16. Tickets are \$40 center sideline and \$35 sideline (and includes a cool t-shirt!). Tickets are going fast! Pregame Happy Hour reception at Big Basin Brewery is being planned.

Save the date - Annual Fundraiser

This year's fundraiser is going to be one merry and bright magical night. Please join us on Saturday, May 11 for **Miracle on Jewell Street**. Drinks are **FREE thanks to Seghetti Waxler**. Tickets are \$125/person. More details TBA soon! Interested in becoming a sponsor? Let us know at jill@santacruzrotary.com

Service Opportunity

Hope's Closet at 2555 Soquel Drive provides gently used clothing for youth which often enables them to stay in school. You can support this effort by shopping at the retail store (great stuff!!) or volunteering for an hour any Thursday between 11-1. Spending time helping this dedicated group is inspiring and counts as a Friday meeting make-up.

Last Meeting February 23, 2024

Invocation: Bill Bonsall's invocation was short and sweet, yet powerful. "If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune. If you want happiness for a lifetime, help somebody else.

Jeanette Pagliaro was the lucky raffle winner of the day, winning a beautiful plant from Dig Garden from Matt Falconer.

President Angelo announced that the Benevolence and Grants committee is meeting next week to review applications and decide on the recipients for the 3rd quarter. Their approved FY budget is \$24,600. For the second quarter they awarded \$6,500. There is \$12,600 remaining in the budget for Q3 & Q4. One of the recipients, the O'Neill Sea Odyssey is giving us the opportunity to attend a classroom facility project for a joint work party with our club and Sunrise club on 3/21. More information to follow.

Detective Report: Jeanette Pagliaro.

Happy Dollars were shared by Chris Murphy, Mike Allard and Ian Mackenzie. Being a wine lover herself, Jeanette tested our knowledge of wine with a game of vino trivia. Fines were paid. Did you know that the most widely planted grape in the world is Cabernet Sauvignon and that a cork from a Champagne bottle can fly out at up to 50 MPH, or that Champagne gets its bubbles while it is in the bottle as the carbon dioxide dissolves in the wine creating the signature bubbles?

Program Speaker:

Ed Reiskin, Chief Financial Officer & Vice Chancellor was our speaker. He started working at UCSC a year ago, after serving more than two decades in local government. Ee's responsibilities include Budget, Finance, Facilities, Procurement,

Safety, Transportation, Human Resources, and Sustainability.

He reviewed California's Master Plan for Higher Education that was created in 1960 giving the University of California, California State University and California Community College systems defined roles.

UCSC was found in 1965 with foundational values of social & environmental justice, sustainability education opportunity and access and equality. Of the 19,000 students, 90% are from California. UCSC is a very affordable University and enrolls ~700 undergrads from the Monterey Bay region. The University has strong relationships with Cabrillo, Hartnell and SJ City colleges and other community colleges to assist transfer students. UCSC faculty do research that matters: including the Center for Coastal Climate Resilience that leverages campus research identifying climate change solutions that can benefit people worldwide, UCSC's genomics team recently released the first truly complete sequence of a human genome and pangenome. The James Webb Space Telescope has allowed UCSC astronomers to redefine the outer limits of our galaxy. They are developing CT-scan technology that can better diagnose brain issues.

The UC long range development plan will increase enrollment and student/employee housing in stages. The campus is unique with more forest and open space than most campuses. They plan to use existing developed footprint in their planning efforts,

while keeping open space. The university realizes that the campus can only grow enrollment by increasing housing due to limited housing options in Santa Cruz.

UC Santa Cruz creates a lot of jobs for Santa Cruz County.

UC + Santa Cruz = Better Together

Club Calendar

Birthdays:

Tom Foster	February 26
Bob Ciapponi	March 3
James Courtright	March 3
Annie Asche	March 4
Russ Hobbs	March 6

Club Anniversaries:

Jim Bargetto ~31	February 26
Jim Weisenstein~20	February 26
Kevin Dempsey~27	February 28
James Kelly~28	March 3

Wedding Anniversary:

Wes & Chris Walker ~25	February 28
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Next Meeting: March 8, 2024

Invocation Debbie Robinson
Detective Tom Parker
Raffle Annie Asche

Upcoming Program:

Fred Keeley, Mayor of Santa Cruz