

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICERS 2023 - 2024

President..... Angelo DeBernardo
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Treasurer Ian Mackenzie
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Program Coordinator Jill Stone

DIRECTORS

SENIOR DIRECTORS

JUNIOR DIRECTORS

Heather Gorley Wendi Hammang – 1st Qtr. Programs
Traci Bliss Wes Walker – 2nd Qtr. Programs
Jim Weisenstein Matt Falconer – 3rd Qtr. Programs
Bob Davidson Ashley Thompson – 4th Qtr. Programs

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
Secretary/Treasurer Ian Mackenzie

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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

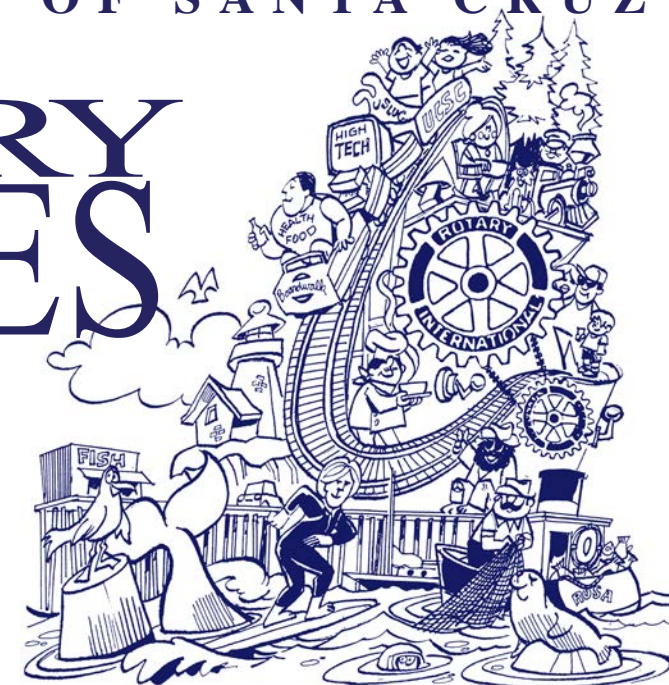
President..... Gordon R. McNally
District Governor 5170 Hung Wei
International Convention..... Singapore
Assistant Governor, Area 7 Kristen Fabos

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 8, 2024

President - Angelo DeBernardo

Editor - Debbie Robinson

***Mayor of Santa Cruz
Fred Keeley***

Fred Keeley is the first directly-elected Mayor of Santa Cruz. Elected in 2022, Fred has held three other elected offices in our community: County Supervisor, County Treasurer, and California State Assembly Member.

Among his other accomplishments, he authored the two largest voter-approved environmental protection bonds in the nation’s history. Fred also serves on the board of directors of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Foundation. Fred teaches with Secretary Leon Panetta at the Panetta Public Policy Institute at CSU Monterey Bay.

Programs - Matt Falconer

Invocation: Debbie Robinson

Detective: Tom Parker

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 social will be a district leadership meeting at 4:30 tickets are \$45 and include meal and cocktail. More information to follow or just ask Chris the VIP speaker. 😊

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 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.

Board of Directors Meeting: March 13 at 5:30pm. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be hosted by Bob Davidson at 2541 Soquel Avenue, Santa Cruz. Directors and guests wishing to attend are requested to contact the Secretary at 345-5182 or email ian@santacruzrotary.com

Last Meeting March 1, 2024

Invocation: Janet Glutch's invocation was a quote from the infamous Steve Jobs. "The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who do."

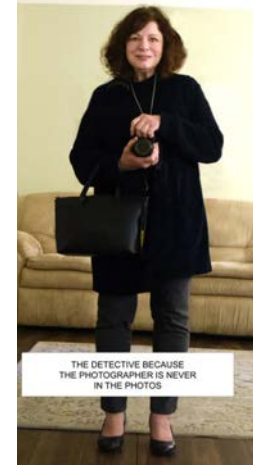
David Terrazas hit the raffle jackpot, winning a Crow's Nest gift card, candy and stationery.

President Angelo introduced Caroline Mann, the executive director from the homeless advocacy Wings who thanked the club and the Benevolence and Grants committee for their \$1,000 donation to their program.

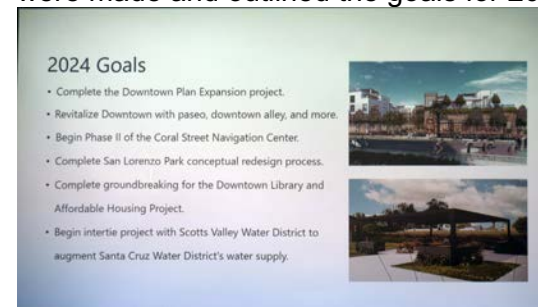
Jim Zenner and others spoke about the amazing trip to install more water Wall Spring water purification systems in Guatemala. President Angelo shared pictures A huge thank you to all of the participating club members that have contributed their time and funding to this Water Warriors Project. A true example of sharing "service above self" globally.

Detective Report: Donna Maurillo Happy Dollars were shared. Donna decided to challenge the club to a game of "Are you smarter Than a 5th Grader?" Subject: American History. We learned that the first US President was John Hanson, first president of the Continental Congress and that the Secret Service was created in 1865 to protect Abraham Lincoln after the Civil War. He signed the act the day he was killed. George Washinton took the oath of office on Wall Street in NY City. There is a statue of him depicting the event. Most

importantly, we learned that we are NOT smarter than a 5th grader.



Program Speaker: Matt Huffaker, City Manager for the City of Santa Cruz was our speaker. Matt is entering his third year serving as the Santa Cruz City Manager. He reviewed the 5 year strategic plan focusing on 7 important focus areas: fiscal sustainability, housing, natural and built infrastructure, thriving city organization, public safety and community wellbeing, homelessness response and strong businesses and vibrant downtown. He shared the 2023 accomplishments that were made and outlined the goals for 2024.



Matt also shared including some of the projects that are in the pipeline and redevelopment plans for downtown Pacific Station area and outdoor dining updates.



Club Calendar

Birthdays:

Tom Canfield	March 13
David Fischer	March 14

Club Anniversaries:

Blaine Brokaw~36	March 11
Carol Lezin~16	March 14

Next Meeting: March 15, 2024

Invocation Bob Ciapponi
Detective Traci Bliss
Raffle Janet Gulch

Upcoming Program:

Ace Althouse
She will speak about all things insurance related. The impact of weather, floods, fires, landslides etc.