

**ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICERS 2023 - 2024**

President..... Angelo DeBernardo  
Secretary ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Treasurer ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Bob Ciapponi & Jim Zenner  
President-Elect ..... Jill Stone  
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

**Create Hope in the World**

[www.santacruzrotary.com](http://www.santacruzrotary.com)

**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**

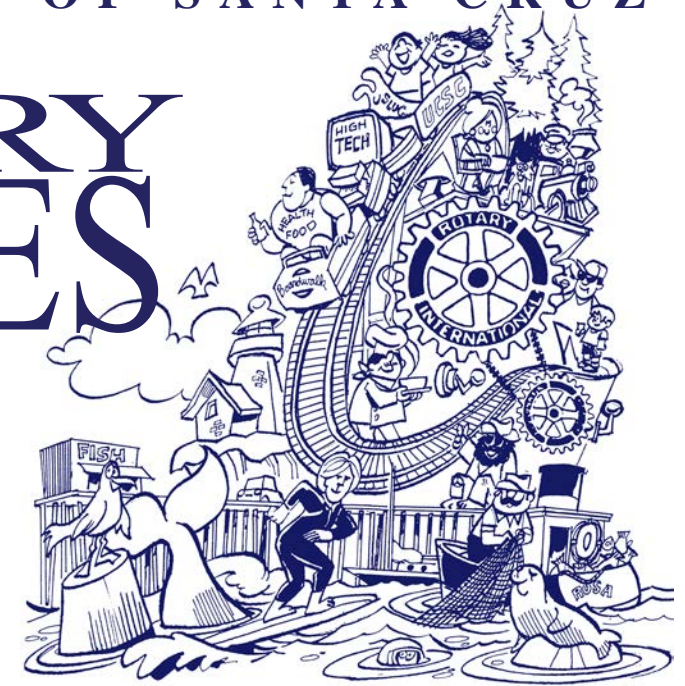
President..... Gordon R. McNally  
District Governor 5170 ..... Hung Wei  
International Convention..... Singapore  
Assistant Governor, Area 7 ..... Kristen Fabos

**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**

**September 8, 2023**

**President - Angelo DeBernardo**

**Editor - Ashley L. Thompson**

*Santa Cruz Metro*

*Michael Tree*

Michael has 30 years of experience in public transportation and city management. He is currently the CEO/General Manager for Santa Cruz METRO, which operates the public transportation system for Santa Cruz County.

Welcome to our club, Michael!

**Programs - Wendi Hammang**

**Invocation: Kris Munro**

**Detective: Tom Foster**



## Announcements:

### Service Above Self: Weekly Opportunities

Main Beach Clean-up. Meet at the Wharf behind Ideal Restaurant, Mondays at 8:00 a.m.

Make "Bundles of Hope" for children in need. Meet at Hope's Closet, 2555 Soquel Dr. Drop in anytime from 11-1 on Thursdays.

Both service opportunities count as a **make-up for a missed Friday meeting.** Both appreciate one-time drop-ins!

### Membership:

Masi Bayless has proposed Todd Bayless and Bill Schuette has proposed Fred Leung for membership. Gary Reece has proposed Fred Keeley for honorary membership. Any member comments must be made to the Club Secretary within 7 days.

### EVENTS:

**Annual Club BBQ is September 15th at Harvey West!! FREE DRINKS!!** 5:00-8:00 PM. \$40. RSVP in the next THREE DAYS.

**Save the Date - October Social** On **Wednesday, Oct. 4th, you're invited to Walker Ranch.** Food provided, bring a beverage to share. Guests are welcome. Please RSVP by Sept. 30th.

## LAST MEETING - September 1, 2023

Invocation given by Gary Reece, which was a creative take on the AA creed and with a twist about avoiding people and running way from them.

Raffle won by Debbie Robinson! A beautiful orchid with a gift certificate to DIG Gardens! Donated by Manu Koenig.

**Detective Report** by Jim Zenner, who is EXEMPT for September...how an exempt person ends up doing the detective report that they are exempt from is beyond me...but thank you Jim for being an exemplar Rotarian and stepping up to do detective when no one else would:

Jim's report focused on Rotary facts and history:

A Rotary benefactor is someone who will make a contribution to Rotary when they pass. Who are these people in our club, you ask? Russ Hobbs, Gary Reese, and one other (whom I apologize to since I didn't hear the third name Jim said!).

Club Major Donors: Bob Davidson, John Burroughs, Linda Burroughs, Tom Foster, Gary Reese, Sam Bishop, Ian Mackenzie, and Russ Hobbs.

Marv was Rotary President in 1988. The club received the international best program for the water efforts of Sam Bishop and someone else (again, I apologize for missing the name of this second person!).

Rotary put on a cioppino feed at the Portuguese Hall in 1993-1994.

Sam Bishop was thrown in the pool at some point in the past. He is the only past president this has ever happened to.

Linda Burroughs was Rotarian of the Year in 2004-2005 because she was married to the Rotarian President.

**Speaker** was Sam Bishop.

Sam and his wife, Elena, have flown to the tip of South America and the tip of North America with the same wife and the same plane! A 1966 Cherokee 235 is the airplane. Unsure what make and model the wife is.

On their trip to the northern most tip of North America:

1st leg to Portland  
2nd leg to Ketchikan  
3rd leg to Sitka  
4th leg to Anchorage  
Some other legs too  
Some beer stops  
Lands in Barrow!!!

Then, they had to fly back...

Then, suddenly, there was a picture of Sam up on the screen and he is NAKED. Soooo naked. For those of you who missed last week's meeting, you are welcome because I am putting the picture here for your viewing pleasure:



On the way home, they stopped in Dutch Harbor and Sam said there were eagles EVERYWHERE. Better than Sam naked everywhere.

They also saw some really beautiful scenery, including active volcanoes!

### Birthdays

Thomas Castillo	September 15
Angelo DeBernardo	September 16
Ashley Thompson	September 17
James Kelly	September 21

### Wedding Anniversaries

Peter Dean and Olga	36 years	September 6
Kevin Dempsey and Elise	45 years	September 9
James Weisenstein and Carol	41 years	September 11
John Laird and John Flores	1 year!	September 13
David Fischer and Paula	7 years	September 17
Thornton Kontz and Terri	42 years	September 19
Donna Maurillo and Gary Reece	4 years	September 19

### Club Anniversaries

Bruce Dunn  
42 years September 11

**NO Duties Next Week & NO Upcoming Program**  
*We are dark for the Club BBQ!*