

**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**

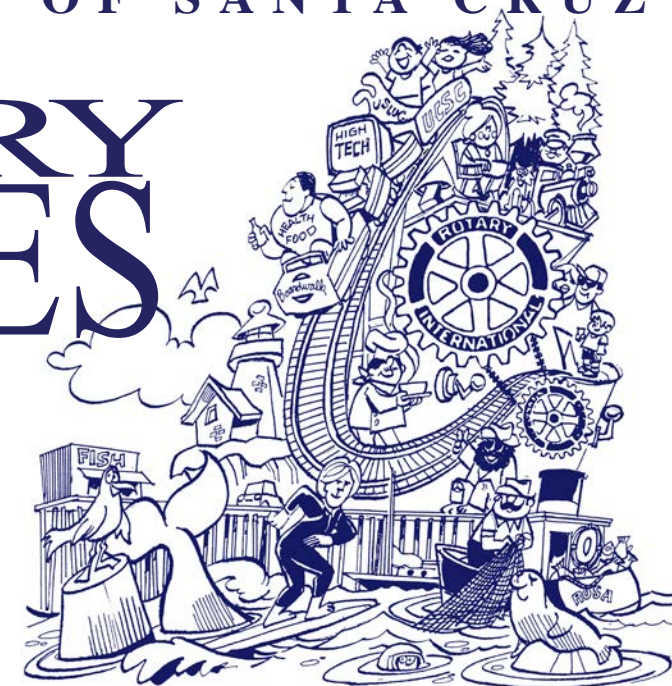
President..... Gordon R. McNally  
District Governor 5170 ..... Hung Wei  
International Convention..... Singapore  
Assistant Governor, Area 7 ..... Kristen Fabos

**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**

**December 8, 2023**

**President - Angelo DeBernardo**

**Editor - Galaham Zuanich**

*Hanukkah and more.*

*Stephen Karon*



Stephen will be sharing his thoughts on Hannukah, a Jewish festival that acknowledges the importance of dedication and determination. He will explain why this holiday, which has been celebrated since 164

B.C., traditionally lasts eight days.

Additionally, Stephen will be briefly addressing some contemporary Jewish current events.

**Programs - Wes Walker**

**Invocation: Stephen Karon**

**Detective: Sam Bishop**

## Announcements:

Join us for a heartwarming event as we spread cheer and goodwill with the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday, December 16th. Embrace the spirit of generosity and make a difference in our community. Be part of the jingle brigade and let the sounds of the Salvation Army bells resonate with the joy of giving. It's a wonderful opportunity to come together, share smiles, and make a positive impact during the holiday season. RSVP to [Sambishop@totalcom.com](mailto:Sambishop@totalcom.com) to secure your spot and let us know you're ready to ring in the joy!

'Tis the season to don your ugliest Christmas sweater and jingle all the way to the Elks club for a festive fiesta on December 20th! You're cordially invited to the most hideous holiday hullabaloo in town, where garish garments are not just encouraged, they're practically required. Join us for an evening of festive fugliness, merry mingling, and perhaps a dash of questionable fashion choices. Thanks to the holiday spirit (and the Seghetti, Waxler, Castillo & Gonzalez CPA firm), all drinks are on the house! Yes, you heard right—FREE libations to lubricate your laughter and fuel your fantastic dance moves.

So, raid your grandma's closet, hit the thrift shops, and bring forth those sweaters so ghastly they'd make Santa himself blush. Prizes await the champions of ugliness, and memories guaranteed to last until next year's

questionable fashion choices.

Let's make it a night of festive folly, where the only thing more ridiculous than our sweaters is our joyous holiday spirit. See you at the Elks club for an evening that promises to be uglier than your aunt's fruitcake (and way more fun)!

### Invocation:

**Steve Karon** reminded us that a hundred years ago, visionaries laid the foundation for a fellowship that would become a force for good. Today, we inherit that legacy, standing on the shoulders of those who exemplified the Rotary ideal—Service Above Self. It's not just a motto; it's a beacon that guides us through the tapestry of our collective endeavors.

Let our hearts be stirred by the echoes of a century's worth of compassion, resilience, and selflessness. As we reflect on this rich history, may we be inspired to embrace our shared commitment to make a positive impact, to uplift those around us, and to leave a legacy that echoes into the next

### Detective Report:

Cristian Gonzalez, Chief Sketch Inspector, the illustrious self-proclaimed doodler extraordinaire, brought us the latest capers from the world of caricatures. He displayed a mischievous gallery of cartoonish creations that offered a unique perspective on various notable individuals: President **Angelo DiBernardo**: Depicted in a light-hearted caricature that captures his distinct features with a touch of humor. **Mo**

**Carrillo** leading a dedicated crew in their efforts to maintain the pristine beauty of our beaches. **Erik Dybdahl**: Presented wearing suspenders, offering a playful take on his distinctive style. **Donna Maurillo**: Captured in action with a camera, reflecting her passion for documenting moments in our community. **Sam Bishop**: Depicted in a serene fishing scene, capturing a tranquil aspect of Sam's personality. **Bob Ciapponi**: Depicted enjoying a refreshing beer, embracing a casual and relaxed demeanor. **Ashley Thompson** and **Shelli Strahl**: Showcased in professional lawyer attire, highlighting their roles as legal experts in our community. **Mike Allard**: Illustrated leaping over the Santa Cruz Warriors bleachers, showcasing Mike's energetic spirit. **John and Linda Burroughs**: Portrayed as presidents, symbolizing their leadership qualities within our community.

**Wes Walker**: Illustrated as a gambling whiskey drinker, embodying a charismatic and daring persona. **Jim Bargetto**: Captured with a red nose, adding a whimsical touch to Jim's personality. **Michael Harrison**: Depicted as a guitarist, reflecting Michael's musical talents and passion. **Ian Mackenzie**: Crafted as a mad chocolatier, showcasing Ian's creative side.

### Program:

**Jill Stone**, the wizard of wittiness at San Jose Mineta Airport, where she reigns supreme with free parking privileges but,

alas, no complimentary airline tickets – talk about landing on the tarmac of irony! As she presented the airport's life story, it seemed more like the plot of a quirky sitcom than an aviation history lesson. From humble beginnings with a plane full of clucking passengers to the soaring heights of a 75-year-old airport owned by the city, funded by its own money magic, and helmed by a mere 225 airport wizards. They've gone from chickens to jet-setters, and if you believe their motto, you can practically teleport from curb to gate in a blink. With \$2 billion in round-trip ticket sales and the fastest airport Wi-Fi, they're not just flying high; they're soaring into the stratosphere. No wonder David Terrazas is planning a romantic date at the airport – nothing says love like baggage claim and duty-free shopping!

## CLUB CALENDAR

### Member Birthdays:

**12/9** David Terrazas  
**12/12** Jan Derecho  
**12/13** Carol Lezin

### Wedding Anniversaries:

None

### Club Anniversaries:

**12/14** Bill Lynch

**Detective 12/15** John Burroughs  
**Invocation 12/15** Sharon Caiocca  
**Upcoming Programs:** Christmas program