

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICERS 2024 - 2025

President Jill Stone
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Program Coordinator..... Ian Mackenzie

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Wes Walker Bill Bonsall - 1st Qtr. Programs
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Ashley Thompson Jan Derecho - 3rd Qtr. Programs
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CLUB SERVICE - Wes Walker

Attendance..... Todd Bayless
Bulletin Erik Dybdahl, Galaham Zuanich,
Sharon Caiocca, Steve Solberg
Classification Ian Mackenzie
Club Drawing Fred Leung
Detective Tom Castillo
Historian Marv Jensen
Invocations Elizabeth Hammack
Membership Background Gary Reece
Red Badge Advisor Chris Murphy/Sarah Madsen
Membership 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 BBQ Wes Walker
Fundraiser Ian Mackenzie
Holiday Program Aleene Althouse

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ COMMUNITY FUND

President Angelo DeBernardo
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COMMUNITY SERVICE - Sarah Madsen

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

VOCATIONAL SERVICE - Ashley Thompson

Club Directory Ian Mackenzie
Career Planning Ashley Thompson
Magazine Ashley Thompson
Academic Scholarships Richard Beach & Sarah Madsen
Vocational Scholarships..... Michael Harrison

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - Matt Falconer

World Community Service Matt Falconer
Rotary Foundation Annie Asche
Youth Exchange David Terrazas
Sister City Coordinator David Terrazas

ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ ENDOWMENT

President Linda Burroughs
Secretary Donna Maurillo
Treasurer Ian Mackenzie

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS 2023 - 2024

President Stephanie A. Urchick
District Governor 5170 Jill Duerig
Assistant Governor, Area 7 Jerry Souza
International Convention Calgary, British Columbia, Canada

CLUBS OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Scotts Valley Brookdale Senior Living Mondays 12:15pm
Freedom Go to www.freedomrotary.org for meetings times
Watsonville Elks Club Wednesdays 12:15pm
Santa Cruz Sunrise DeLaveaga Golf Course Thursday 7:15am
Capitola / Aptos Seascape Golf Club Thursdays 12:15pm
San Lorenzo Valley Scopazzi's Thursdays 7:00pm

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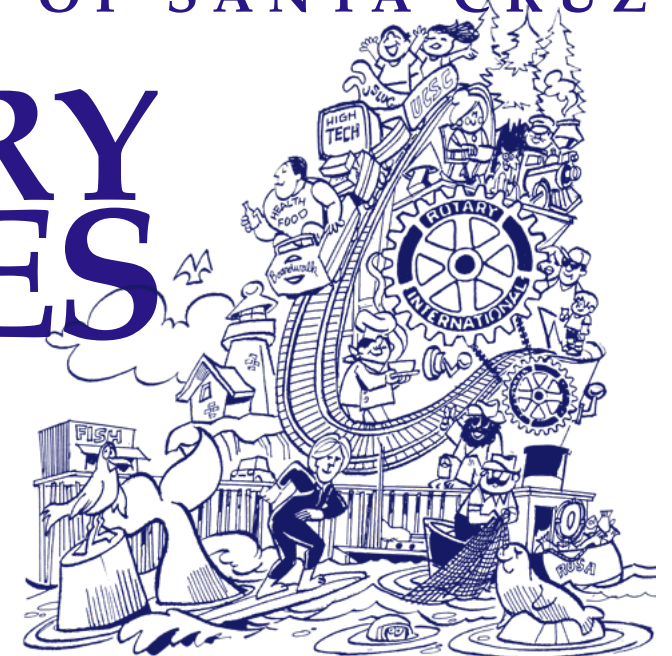
ROTARY SPOKES

P.O. Box 497 - Santa Cruz, CA 95061

Meets Friday at 12:15 pm

The Elks Lodge - 150 Jewel Street

The Magic of Rotary



December 20th

President - Jill Stone

Editor - Galaham Zuanich

A Rotary Christmas

Our favorite musical duo is back to entertain us with carefully selected holiday music and some other stuff that they just like. Sit back and enjoy listening to Mary Rose Mackenzie on cello and Linda Burroughs on piano. And for those who want to know, Mary Rose has been playing cello since she was 11 years old and Linda has been playing piano since she was four years old. And we're not saying how old they are...

Programs - Aleene Althouse

Invocation - Bill Bonsall

Detective - John Burroughs

Detective Report:

In what can only be described as a mix between a game show and a comedy roast, our fearless head detective, Tom Castillo, took center stage at the Rotary Club meeting this week. Officially tasked with raising money and doling out fines, Tom has truly embraced his role as Head Detective or as some cheekily call it, "Head Dick". With a combination of charm, wit, and a little mischievous glee, he delivered his report—and what a report it was.

Tom kicked things off by asking for Happy Dollars, a time-honored tradition where Rotarians share their joys and part with their cash. Shelley Strahle is delighted that her softball team is crushing it. Word on the street is her team's secret weapon is good sportsmanship—or possibly Shelley bribing the umpire. Fred Gawlick was overjoyed to see Sam Bishop organizing the Salvation Army. Sam, we're grateful you're still saving both souls and schedules.

Mike Allard thanked Angelo Debernardo for helping his son open a debit card. Rumor has it Angelo's next feat will be explaining Venmo to the over-40 crowd. Ian Mackenzie celebrated Jim Zenner's return after a two-month absence. Jim is happy to be back, though he's still not sure how he was gone long enough for Ian to start missing him.

The main event was the Three Facts Game, a dinner-table classic that Tom masterfully adapted for Rotarians. The rules? Tom stated three "facts" about a club member and the audience had to guess which one was false. Hilarity—and occasional embarrassment—ensued.

It was revealed that Wes Walker is not a meat lover, debunking the widespread assumption that Wes spends his weekends at BBQ cook-offs. Constantine learned that Donna Maurillo didn't ace her SATs due to math. Donna insists the calculator was broken, but no one believes her. Annie Asche's aversion to both scuba diving and skydiving was exposed. Annie prefers her adventures firmly on land, thank you very much. Bob Ransdell confessed he was spanked by his principal in the third grade—and liked it. Let's just move on from that one quickly. The real reason John Burroughs left the farm: to marry the lovely Linda was revealed. Love wins, even if farming doesn't.

Tom clarified that Michelle Costa has never been to culinary school, proving once and for all that her cooking skills are all-natural. Linda Burroughs disclosed she never lived in Oregon—because, well, Oregon. Enough said.

All of our illusions about Erik Dybdahl being an Eagle Scout were shattered.

Erik never earned the badge, but he did earn our respect.

Finally, Mike Allard admitted to painting his neighbor's house fluorescent green when he was seven. His neighbor has yet to forgive him.

Program:

At a recent Rotary Club meeting, Frederick Leung delivered a compelling presentation on the evolution of global responses to pandemics, focusing on his groundbreaking work during the SARS epidemic and the challenges posed by COVID-19. Leung highlighted how his team successfully mapped the SARS-CoV genome in just nine days—a monumental achievement at the time. He contrasted this with today's advanced technology, which could accomplish the same task in mere hours, underscoring the exponential progress in medical research and diagnostics.

Leung also provided a detailed timeline of key events during the COVID-19 pandemic. He explained that on December 12, 2019, a cluster of patients in Wuhan, China, presented with an unusual pneumonia-like illness. By December 31, the World Health Organization (WHO) was informed of the cases, and by January 7, 2020, a novel coronavirus was identified as the causative agent. The virus was officially named "2019-nCoV" on January 10, and

the outbreak was declared a public health emergency of international concern by January 30. By March 2020, the WHO declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. Leung concluded with a sobering reflection on the pandemic's impact in the United States, where 99 million cases and 1.1 million deaths were reported between 2019 and 2023. The U.S. officially ended its public health emergency on May 11, 2023, marking a significant milestone in the global fight against COVID-19. Frederick's insights provided valuable context for understanding both the progress made and the challenges that remain in pandemic preparedness.

CLUB CALENDAR

Birthdays

12/21 Burroughs, John
12/25 Bayless, Masi
12/30 Wolfsen, Lawrence
12/31 Beeson, Karen

Wedding Anniversaries

12/30 Elizabeth and David Clifton-Doolan 8 years

Next Meeting: 1/10

Detective:

Invocation: Richard Beach

Raffle:

Program Park Avenue Fitness