

Join us for fellowship and service!

The Rotary Club of Arcata, organized in 1926, is a diverse group of local professionals, business people, and others. Through our combined financial and volunteer efforts, Humboldt County benefits, as well as the entire world. We are non-political and nonreligious.

We meet for lunch at noon on Wednesdays in the Plaza View Room of the Jacoby Storehouse in Arcata, California. We have entertaining and informative guest speakers with great food, and plenty of opportunities for fellowship.

Contact President Jason Forester from our web site *arcatarotary.org* to make your arrangements for an introduction to "Service Above Self" in our Rotary Club!

Some of Our Annual Events:

Spring Wine Festival- Meet local vintners and cider makers and taste their products of Humboldt and Trinity counties, dine on locallysourced gourmet hors d'oeuvres, and win at the popular Dutch raffle and international travel raffle, recently to New Zealand and Costa Rica. Hundreds of folks each year in March enjoy our primary fundraiser with North Bay Rotaract that helps to fund our community service projects!

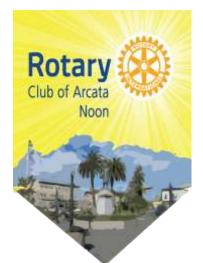
Arcata High School Pancake Breakfast- This Spring event raises funds for the Arcata High School Career Center. Grandma's Special recipe pancakes are served with sausages and bacon. We partner on this together with Sunrise Rotary, Soroptimists, North Bay Rotaract, and Arcata High School Interact.

Thanksgiving with seniors- A long-standing Arcata event with a delicious and traditional Thanksgiving lunch with all the fixings served to hundreds. All seniors in the community are welcome!

The Rotary 4-Way Test Of the things we think, say, and do

Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

The Three Essentials of Rotary: Humanitarian service High Ethical Standards Building Goodwill and Peace in the World



WELCOME! 2020-21 INTERESTED IN JOINING ARCATA ROTARY ?

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What is Rotary?

We're made up of local business owners and managers, professionals, and civic leaders. We meet regularly, get to know each other, form friendships, and through that, we're able to get things done in our community.

Rotary is the oldest service organization in the world- a global network of community volunteers; an international organization with a very strong local community presence

More than 1.2 million men and women in over 200 countries and geographical areas belong to over 33,000 rotary clubs.

Rotary builds **international understanding** through scholarships, exchange programs, and humanitarian grants. Throughout the world, Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of educational, intercultural, and humanitarian activities to improve the lives of others.

Benefits of Membership

Members join Rotary for many reasons, including community involvement, personal development, professional networking, and camaraderie with fellow members. But perhaps the most important benefit is the satisfaction gained from making a real difference locally in our community, and in the world.

Local Rotary Club of Arcata Projects:

Arcata Playgrounds – our club has played a major role in renovating and restoring several playgrounds in underserved neighborhoods in our community.

Baylands Habitat Access and Restoration –

We are working with the City of Arcata and conservation organizations to provide access and habitat to benefit wildlife.

High School Youth Exchange- We sponsor local students who go abroad, and students from diverse countries who attend school and experience life in Arcata. The program fosters goodwill and friendships worldwide and gives our future leaders an opportunity to grow.

Arcata High Interact Club - Affiliated with Rotary International, our vibrant Interact provides service opportunities for high school students. We also support the school's Career Center.

North Bay Rotaract- We co-sponsor this club of 18-30 year old emerging professionals. They exchange ideas, develop professionally, and are involved with many service projects

Dictionary Project- We are part of a program that provides superior dictionaries to every 3rd grader in Humboldt County.

Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon- We serve traditional holiday fare to local senior citizens with help from the Interact Club.

High School Scholarships- We provide several education and vocational scholarships.

Micro-loans for women in Costa Rica- We have underway a new project in a mountainous village, bringing sustainable economic development projects and improving educational and living opportunities for families. The project also includes establishing Internet capability and rehabilitation of native forests. We Work through Rotary International:

Areas of Focus:

- Promoting Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Providing Clean Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Supporting Education and literacy
- Growing Local Economies

Rotary Clubs from countries all over the world collaborate to create international projects that respond to community needs. Rotary Projects are designed to be sustainable and rely on the input of those in need to ensure the project is appropriate and will result in the best outcome.

Rotary International launched a **polio eradication** project in 1985. Since then, more than \$1.6 billion has been raised by Rotary Clubs for vaccinations of more than 2.5 billion children. The number of polio cases *worldwide* was only 289 at the end of 2019, and today is endemic in only three countries.

