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**The Rotary Club of Monterey Celebrates its 100th Anniversary on February 10, 2024**

**Monterey, Calif.** **(January 22, 2024)** — The Rotary Club of Monterey will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding on February 10, 2024, the day when its charter was granted as a local club of Rotary International. A gala celebration will be held at the Naval Postgraduate School that night to commemorate this momentous occasion, with over 100 current and former members, their guests, officers and members of local Rotary clubs, and local elected and appointed officials from throughout the County of Monterey planning to attend.

The Rotary Club of Monterey is the second oldest of the 22 clubs located throughout the County of Monterey. It was sponsored by the Salinas Rotary Club, founded in 1922 as the oldest club in the County of Monterey. Since its first meeting at the “Copper Club” Room at the Del Monte Hotel, located on the campus of the Naval Postgraduate School, The Rotary Club of Monterey has grown to over 100 members who live and work throughout the County of Monterey. Not just anyone can call themselves a Rotarian; it takes a special type of person and commitment to become a member. “Our members live and breathe Rotary International’s ‘Service Above Self’ motto as they work tirelessly to support local organizations and causes,” said Dave Hober, 2023-2024 President of the Rotary Club of Monterey. “In this sense, they’re

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no different than the countless individuals who have been proud to call themselves members of our club during the past century.”

No matter the population—youth, K-12 students, college and university students, adults with developmental disabilities, homeless individuals, and many others—you’ll find a member of The Rotary Club of Monterey actively engaged with them by lending their time, talent, and financial support. The list of organizations benefiting from this service is a long one, befitting an organization that’s a century old, and includes AIM Youth Mental Health; Arts Council of Monterey County; Bridge Restoration Ministry; California State University, Monterey Bay; Chartwell School; the City of Monterey, Parks and Recreation; First Night Monterey; Food Bank for Monterey County; Front Porch Communities; Gateway Center of Monterey County; Gathering for Women; Girl Scouts; Meals on Wheels of The Monterey Peninsula; Monterey Jazz Festival; The Monterey Peninsula College Foundation; Pacific Repertory Theater; Rancho Cielo Youth Campus; Santa Catalina School; Spector Dance; Sunset Cultural Center; Sun Street Centers; United Way Monterey County; York School; and Youth Arts Collective.

Members of The Rotary Club of Monterey represent a wide range of professions, skills, and interests. They include attorneys, accountants, bankers, doctors, educators, local business leaders, military veterans, pastors, retired professionals, wealth managers, and others. Current members include representatives of California State University, Monterey Bay; the City of Monterey; Montage Health; Monterey County Vintners and Growers Association; Monterey Peninsula Airport District; Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce; Monterey Peninsula College; the Naval Postgraduate School; The Salvation Army; United Way Monterey County; ***Page Three -- The Rotary Club of Monterey Celebrates its 100th Anniversary on February 10, 2024***

and other local nonprofit and for-profit organizations active in different sectors of the economy of the County of Monterey.

The Rotary Club of Monterey meets every Thursday from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at The Hilton Garden Inn, 1000 Aguajito Road, Monterey. These meetings feature guest speakers on a broad range of topics of keen interest to individuals who live and work throughout the County of Monterey. For more information about The Rotary Club of Monterey, visit its [web site](https://websites.dacdb.com/Monterey_1209_v6/index.php?s=contact), [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/montereyrotary), or contact the organization by email.

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