



President's Message

Dear Alturas Rotarians,

And it's almost the end of OCTOBER --- I did not think that any month could be busier than July, but OCTOBER definitely trumped that. We hit the ground running by working in the **concession stand for the Homecoming Football Game** --- it was a fun, but a VERY busy evening.

We followed that up with our **October Brewfest** the very next night. **Thank you Sandy Stevenson** for your hard work making all of the necessary arrangements. It was a job well done! With so many other things happening in Alturas that weekend, we had a smaller attendance than last year. However, for those who joined us, we had a great evening tasting different beer, dancing, and participating in a great raffle. In the end, we did make a profit from the event and plan to purchase tables and benches for the Modoc District Fair. We held a de-brief meeting and will make some changes for next year – it will be bigger and better. Did I hear Polka music?

On October 11th, several of us cooked and served hotdogs for the **Modoc Crisis Center's (A division of TEACH, Inc.) "Walk a Mile in Their Shoes" Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Awareness event**. Participants enjoyed walking for the cause and eating hotdogs. Rotarians enjoyed visiting with the participants, as well as feeding the Modoc High football players who all stopped by to grab hotdogs after practice. **Thank you Alan, Walt, Dick, Barry, and Danny** for helping out with this event.



A much anticipated **Rotary Leadership Institute** was facilitated by **Wyn Spiller and Greg Bogdanoff** on behalf of Rotary International on Saturday, October 21st. Fifteen Rotarians (from the Rotary Clubs of Alturas, Alturas Sunrise and Lakeview) participated in the training. It was a very engaging and interesting day. The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district, grassroots leadership development program recommended by the R.I. Board of Directors and strongly endorsed by the Council on Legislation. RLI conducts a series of quality leadership development courses for potential club officers and all club members, including those who have recently joined a Rotary Club. The courses emphasize both leadership skills and knowledge of Rotary around the world. All course sessions are completely interactive. RLI believes that leadership education has a positive impact on membership retention by creating enthusiasm and furthering engagement for Rotary. **Thank you, Walt Davis, (our very own Area 12 Governor)** for bringing Wyn and Greg to Alturas to share the information with us!

In September 10 Modoc Middle School students attended REGL. And then in October, the 55 strong Interact Club held a "Purple Pinky" Dance and raised over \$1,000 to help in the eradication of Polio worldwide. Go INTERACT! We are very proud of you.

We look forward to the students visiting us for a Rotary meeting and lunch in the very near future to share their experiences with us.

Many many thanks to **Elizabeth Cavasso** who spent countless hours working on a **District Grant** for our club. We recently received a \$2500 grant (to be matched by our club). This funding of \$5000 will be used to support the **NCO (Northern California Oregon Railroad) in their endeavors to restore the NCO cottage**. We have workdays (October 28 & 29) planned to remove and replace insulation in the attic. Please plan to join us with this project. Many hands make light work!!!!

Final profits from the Jim Wills Golf Tournament held on July 29th have been calculated. At our October Board Meeting we will determine our donation amount to present to our beneficiary - **The Alturas Community Theater**. We are happy to be able to assist them in funding their Heater Restoration Project.

Jim Cavasso has been working with the County of Modoc, the Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Alturas to replace the **directional signage at the Highway 395 and A3 cutoff**. Thank you, Jim Cavasso, for your efforts on this project. Watch for that "ROTARY LOGO" on that sign.

Through all of these happenings, we have also been holding preparation meetings for our **annual Holiday Tea**, the **Block M Basketball Tournament**, and will soon be planning a new fundraiser, a "**Luck of the Irish Bingo**" which will be held on March 17, 2024. Watch for further information on all of these events.

As a matter of information and a reminder! There are 26 Rotarians in the Rotary Club of Alturas, and on an average, we usually have ¼ of our members assisting with our different events. In an effort to build more camaraderie, **I would love to see those numbers increase**. Please watch for opportunities to be involved. It's a BIG part of being a ROTARIAN!

At our Board Meeting next week, we will review our quarterly Treasurer's report. This report will include information regarding where \$'s go – Happy Pot, Rotary Trivia, Card Drawing, Assemblies, Projects (what percentage goes to the club, etc.). This information will then be forwarded to our membership in the minutes from the Board Meeting.

As reported at our recent meeting, members of the Board voted to discontinue the Fifth Meeting / Third Thursday Rotary Meetings. **Thank you Walt Davis** for attempting to attract younger members into the Rotary Club of Alturas. We found, however, that the numbers and interest were not sufficient to continue the group.

Until next month,

Yours in Rotary Service, Gail

Facilitators for Upcoming Meetings

Oct 31 Barry Pierce (Assembly)

Nov 7 Jim Cavasso

Nov 14 Fritz Barclay (Education) - RYLA (Karen S)

Nov 21 DARK

Nov 28 David Pena (Assembly)

Dec 5 Bill Engle

Dec 12 Laine Hoy

Dec 19 Christmas Lunch

Dec 26 DARK

Jan 2 DARK

Jan 9 Kathy Delgado

Dates to Remember

October 28/29	NCO Rotary Workdays
November 13	ARCF Meeting
December 9	Holiday Tea
December 11	ARCF Meeting
December 14 - 16	Block M Tournament
December 19	Christmas Lunch with Sunrise
March 17	Luck of the Irish Bingo
May 16-18	District Conference
June 1	Fish Derby



Octoberfest FUN !

**Cheryl, Paul & Alan helping to
POUR! Sandy and Ed
dancing away the evening.
Dianna giving away raffle
prizes!**



Supporting the Modoc Crisis Center's (A division of TEACH, Inc.) "Walk a Mile in Their Shoes" Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Awareness Event.

Warren Farnam - new City of Alturas Public Works Director

Warren was Modoc County's Director for Environmental Health for 21 years. It was a great position for him, but now as Public Works Director he will move from a regulatory job to a project-oriented position.

Many projects for the City :

- a new sewer project/facility by 2026 - will change to holding ponds with an aeration and denitrification process treated to drinking standards. Will move the facility out-of-town and no longer discharge into the Pit River.
- Using COVID funds to re-fiberglass the swimming pool. Hope to open in 2024. And hoping City is successful in receiving grants for a new pool.
- Geothermal heat exchange
- In partnership with the County - Redo Park - the project has been slimmed down a bit to accommodate rising costs. Also road work for 8th, 4th, E, C, and Nagel Streets.
- Drinking water quality
- Airport Fences
- Will work with Pool and Recreation Committee for upcoming projects
- GIS Arc-Info layering underway

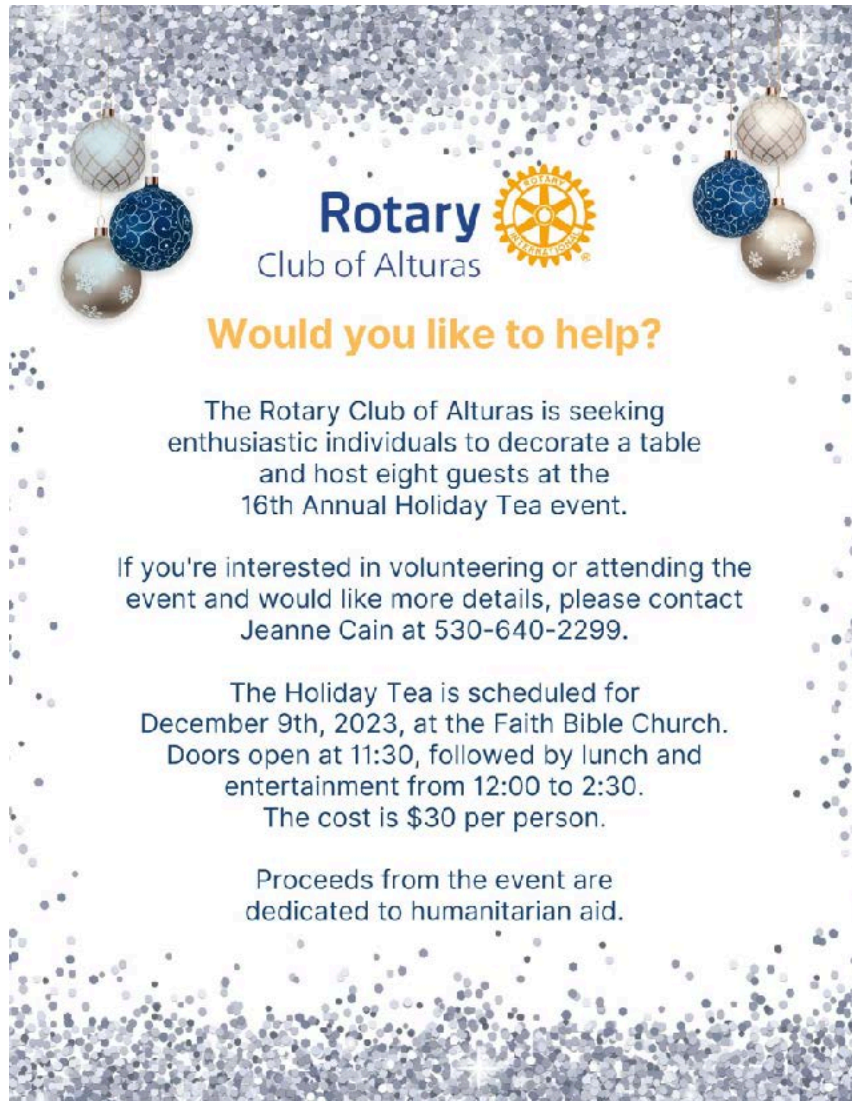




Elizabeth Cavasso presenting Shane Starr of the NCO Railway Nonprofit Group with a check for \$5000 to help with insulation for the historic building restoration. Half the amount is from the District 5190 Grant for small projects, and the remaining half is from the Rotary Club of Alturas.



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The flyer features a festive design with a background of silver and blue confetti. At the top, there are several Christmas ornaments in shades of blue, gold, and silver. The Rotary Club of Alturas logo is prominently displayed in the center. The text is centered and uses a mix of blue and orange colors for emphasis.

Rotary
Club of Alturas

Would you like to help?

The Rotary Club of Alturas is seeking enthusiastic individuals to decorate a table and host eight guests at the 16th Annual Holiday Tea event.

If you're interested in volunteering or attending the event and would like more details, please contact Jeanne Cain at 530-640-2299.

The Holiday Tea is scheduled for December 9th, 2023, at the Faith Bible Church. Doors open at 11:30, followed by lunch and entertainment from 12:00 to 2:30. The cost is \$30 per person.

Proceeds from the event are dedicated to humanitarian aid.

Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF)

****\$30,000 is reserved for a shade structure in the Main Street Plaza***

Modoc Rotary Endowment Fund	\$102,031.40
Alturas Rotary Unrestricted	\$75,017.83
Alturas Rotary Money Market *	30,892.20
Bobby Ray Memorial Fund	\$51,649.55
Total (As of Sept 29, 2023)	\$259,590.98



Rotary Direct – Set It and Forget It!

Rotary Direct is the easiest way to contribute to The Rotary Foundation on a regular basis. Just enter a credit card or checking account info, what cause that you want to support, how often you wish to contribute and how much, and your giving will be automatic from there.

It's easy: Sign in to my.rotary.org and click the Donate button in the upper right corner of the landing page. Click your favorite or most important cause – Annual Fund SHARE (this generates grant funds managed by the District, helps earn Paul Harris Fellowship credit and helps your club earn the Every Rotarian Every Year banner), Polio Plus (this helps earn Paul Harris Fellowship credit and helps your club earn the 100% Giving Banner), World Fund (this fund is managed by the Trustees to fund their priorities), Disaster Response Fund, Pakistan Flood Fund, or Ukraine Fund. You can even designate your gift to a specific Area of Focus.

Then click on One Time Donation or Recurring Donation (this will be for giving at the intervals you set – monthly, quarterly, annually at any amount \$10 or greater), enter your name, billing address and payment details. You're done! You can manage your credit card in your my.rotary.org account.

Many have set up giving plans such a \$10 per month (\$120 per year) contribution to the Annual Fund, and then set up a \$100 a year for Polio Plus. This makes sure they are giving on a regular basis to become an Annual Fund Sustaining Member (\$100+ per year) and continues their gift to the Polio Plus Society. Or you could give \$83.33 per month to fulfill your Paul Harris Society commitment of \$1000 per year. But you can set up your plan anyway you desire.

It's easy, and easy on the pocketbook!

The Rotary Foundation and District 5190 appreciate your contributions that Do Good in the World and continue to change lives, whether it's through District and Global Grants made possible by the Annual Fund, or eradicating polio through the Polio Plus Fund, or addressing humanitarian needs due to disasters or war. Your giving makes a difference.

For more information, email District Foundation Chair Doug McDonald (dougmcdonald49@gmail.com) or for Frequently Asked Questions, click on [https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-direct-frequently-asked-questions](https://my.cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-direct-frequently-asked-questions).



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Rotary's recurring giving program

ROTARY DIRECT SAVES...

- ✓ **Time** — Sign up once to give continuous support
- ✓ **Money** — Lower administration costs means more money for programs
- ✓ **Lives** — Give to The Rotary Foundation to do good in the world

There are three ways to enroll in Rotary Direct:

- Online:** my.rotary.org/en/rotary-direct
By mail: Rotary Direct, 17th Floor, Annual Giving
 One Rotary Center
 1560 Sherman Avenue
 Evanston, IL 60201-3698 USA
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Manage your recurring giving at any time by signing in to My Rotary and going to Donor Self-Service.

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YES! I INTEND TO GIVE US\$1,000 OR MORE ANNUALLY AND WILL JOIN THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY.*

YES! I WILL ENROLL IN ROTARY DIRECT.

Name _____

IF YOU ARE A ROTARIAN, PLEASE COMPLETE.

Rotary membership ID _____

Club name _____

Club number _____

Billing address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

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GIFT DESIGNATION (choose one)

Annual Fund-SHARE Other _____

PolioPlus Fund

RECURRING GIFT AMOUNT (minimum US\$10)

\$25 \$85 \$100 \$250 \$1,000 Other _____

Currency (if not US\$) _____

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Monthly Quarterly Annually (specify month) _____

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