

# ROTARY CLUB OF ALTURAS



Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.



*“In 2019-2020, it will be our challenge to strengthen the many ways that **Rotary Connects the World**, building the connections that allow talented, thoughtful, and generous people to unite and take meaningful action through **Rotary Service.**”*

MARK DANIEL MALONEY,  
PRESIDENT ROTARY  
INTERNATIONAL, 2019-2020

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Rotary Club Lunch Meetings

April - dark

April 13 - ARCF Meeting via GTM

**BUT !! Stay in Touch!!**

### Rotary Club Events

May 9 - Rotarians at Work Day

May 30 Fishing Derby

June 19 & 20 - Rotary Attic Sale

### District



## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

### APRIL Message

Dear Friends in Rotary,

Unquestionably we are experiencing trials we have never experienced before. Sure, we’ve watched movies depicting pandemics but we’ve never, until now, had to deal with the reality. Everything has changed, and everything will continue to change until the new normal is allowed (whatever & whenever that is).

Fortunately, Rotary has broad oversight of the day-to-day & what ifs, addressing many of our needs with direction in the “Standard Rotary Club Constitution”. Most applicable to our current times are these **bolded key points:**

### Page 3 of “Standard Rotary Club Constitution”; Article 7 Meetings; Section 1 — Regular Meetings.

1. (a) *Day and Time.* This club shall hold a regular weekly meeting on the day and time set in the bylaws.
2. (b) *Method of Meeting.* **Attendance may be in person, by telephone, online, or through an online interactive activity.**

## PROGRAM FACILITATORS

April: Maternal & Child Health

May: Youth Services

June: Rotary Fellowships

## CLUB PROFILE

Chartered: January 28, 1928

Charter # 2741

Club #517 District #5190

P.O. Box 1630

Alturas, California, USA 96101

(530) 233-2616

Active members: 29

Honorary members: 4

An interactive meeting shall be considered to be held on the day that the interactive activity is posted.

3. (c) Change of Meeting. For good cause, the board may change a regular meeting to any day between the preceding and following regular meetings, to a different time of the regular day, or to a different place.
4. (d) **Cancellation. The board may cancel a regular meeting for these reasons:**
  1. (1) a holiday, or during a week that includes a holiday;
  2. (2) in observance of the death of a member;
  3. **(3) an epidemic or a disaster that affects the whole community; or**
  4. (4) an armed conflict in the community.

The Board may cancel up to four regular meetings a year for causes not listed here, but may not cancel more than three consecutive meetings.

**Until the California "Stay at Home" Order is lifted we will not be holding our regular weekly meetings. We do however have business to conduct. Your Board of Directors will continue to meet and bring the essential needs to you via email. Please feel free to reach out to one another, an email, a phone call, or a friendly post on FaceBook.**

I miss you all and trust each of you are well and hopefully not gaining weight (like I am).

**The Rotary Club of Alturas Board of Directors has taken action to approve the following for the Rotary Youth Park:**

1. **The reallocation of the \$50,000 Maintenance Fund, therefore moving those funds into the remaining (budgeted) Funds making the amount available \$100,000.**
2. **Transferring \$80,000 unrestricted club funds to meet the final payment of the Youth Park Completion.**

**Your Board of Directors are now requesting you to consider these actions; I will call for a vote from the membership on Monday 4/6/2020 via email.**

Your friend in Rotary,  
**Sandra "Sandy" Stevenson**



### Some special thoughts from Carol Sharp

Sometimes when we least expect it, the world around us seems to spin out of control. From a distant murmur of a virus among ship passengers, to what seems like record time, changes in our lives beyond belief, with no warning or anything anyone did to bring it upon us. This virus has changed the way we live, the way we eat, the way we spend our time, and so much more.

What the heck happened? And what can we do about it? The first thing I would like to suggest is that we stop listening to the hype and zero in on the facts. Stop the nasty news now leaning toward who will be the best candidate for the next president, making it a political issue. We can all keep our heads, realizing the news people will only give us their impression, and focus on our immediate families and our safety, and concentration on staying healthy. As is probably the 'norm' for most of us, staying away from potentially sick people, being careful to not take health risks, and of course the personal hygiene goes without saying. This doesn't mean hiding in a closet and only coming out to breathe occasionally, but to use good sense in all we do.

By doing the best we can we will help ourselves, our neighbors and our community to return to as normal a life as we can. We will then begin to enjoy the freedoms we deserve to do as we wish – return to our jobs, go to the grocery store and buy the products we need, see our children return to school, and, **finally, return to visit our special friends of Rotary.** Missing the weekly routine and friendships is just one more loss we are dealing with.

Let's all hope it doesn't take too long to find a solution to this terrible virus, control it, and make the world safe again. In the meantime, keep yourselves and families safe, and please check your computers often to keep up with our Club news as best we can.



A winter aerial photo of the Rotary Fields. We are almost there Rotarians - thanks for the support!

Fellow Rotarians,

The Youth Park Operations Committee can see the finish line in sight. We are coming to the end of the project and we find that we are short 2% of the approved budget. A few of the reasons are:

- JLS Grounds - Additional \$15,000 for drainage at the wash rack and the Public address (PA) system.
- West C Street – Additional \$18,000 for base rock and replacement of the high school field main water line.
- West C and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets Parking – Additional \$5,000 for dirt work and base rock.
- Alturas Skate Park – Additional \$10,000 for an 8” water mainline.
- Nagle and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets – Additional \$20,000 for curb and gutter, sidewalk, drainage, and ADA requirements.
- Youth Park – Additional \$6,000 for electrical work.
- Youth Park – Additional \$10,000 (as per Joe Picotte, City of Alturas Public Works Director), drain inlets.

The numbers presented below are rounded. The Committee has:

- +\$50,000 remaining approved funds
- +\$50,000 maintenance fund
- +\$140,000 unrestricted club funds (March 25, 2020)
- = \$240,000 total available funds
- -\$180,000 will finish up the project
- \$60,000 remaining unrestricted club funds

In addition to the remaining \$60,000 funds the club has:

- \$50,000 Edna Brown

The \$180,000 will fund:

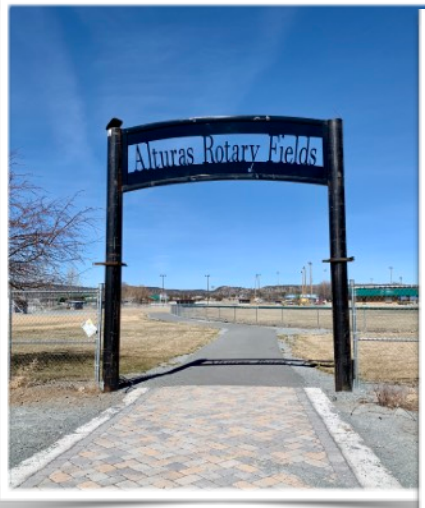
- Paved asphalt pathway, cement, seed, irrigation, and labor.
1. Discussion/Action: The Committee requests permission to divert the \$50,000 allocated for maintenance into the project. We feel, while working closely with the City of Alturas, we have been able to reduce the maintenance requirements for the park. The City is entering into a fee for usage schedule for users which will help offset the City’s expenditures. We also believe the Rotary Club of Alturas has worked on this area for 30 years and will continue to do so in the future.
  2. Discussion/Action: The Committee requests the Club allocate \$80,000 of unrestricted club funds to finish the project.

We need a decision as soon as possible and suggest a club vote initiated by Club President Sandy via email/text messages. It is imperative to get this vote ASAP so that we have clarity on how to proceed with final closeout of this project.

Thank you,  
Jim Cavasso, Youth Park Operations Committee Chair



I'm the baseball that Laine and Amanda brought to Alturas! I'm sure liking the way my new home is looking. Thank you Rotarians!



New lights and poles.... coming soon!



Major/Minor Field and Concession Building coming along nicely! Thanks White Bear Construction !

**Birthdays**  
 4/1 - Onalea Sweeney 4/10 Sandy Stevenson

**Anniversaries**  
 4/14 - Karen Shimamoto & Dick Mackey



## CLUB LEADERSHIP

### 2019 - 2020 Board of Directors

Sandy Stevenson, President  
Barry Pierce, President Elect  
Dick Read / Paul Dolby, Secretary  
Dianna Bass, Treasurer  
Carol Sharp, Director  
Laine Hoy, Director  
Jim Cavasso, Director

### 2019 - 2020 Committee Chairs

Club Admin: Dianna Bass  
International: Alan Cain / Karen Shimamoto  
Membership: Mike Mason / Jeanne Cain  
Public Relations: Carol Sharp  
Rotary Foundation: Jeanne Cain / David Mason  
Service Projects:  
Vocational: Carol Sharp / Dick Read / Barry Pierce  
Youth: Elizabeth Cavasso / Karen Shimamoto  
Youth Park Oversight: Jim Cavasso

### 2019 - 2020 Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF) Board of Trustees

Voting Members  
Alan Cain (6/30/23)  
Elizabeth Cavasso (6/30/22)  
Laine Hoy (6/30/21)  
Karen Shimamoto (6/30/20)  
Sandy Stevenson (6/30/20)  
Dianna Bass (6/30/20)  
Barry Pierce (6/30/20)

Non-Voting Advisors  
Monica Derner, Treasurer/CPA  
Walt Davis, Financial Advisor  
Brian Foster, Youth Park

## FINANCIAL UPDATES

### Rotary International (as of 3/1/20)

Annual Fund Goal: \$6,000  
Annual Fund YTD: \$7,659.00 (128 %)  
Annual Fund Per Capita: \$294.58  
PolioPlus Goal: \$2,500  
Polio Plus YTD: \$5,383.46  
Total Giving: \$13,042.46

### Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF) (as of 3/31/20)

John Wall Trust (JWT)  
Bonds \$103,006  
Cash \$33,880.65  
Equities \$0  
Total \$138,886.65  
Edna Brown  
Stocks: \$56,370.68  
Rotary Club of Alturas  
Invested \$141,611.82

### 2019 - 2020 Committee Chairs

**Club Admin: Dianna Bass**  
Programs - Dick Read  
Public Relations: Carol Sharp  
Facebook: Dianna Bass & Elizabeth Cavasso  
Newsletter: Karen Shimamoto & Elizabeth Cavasso  
Website: Elizabeth Cavasso  
Attendance: Dick Read, Jeanne Cain  
Paul Harris Trivia: Alan Cain  
Budget Committee: Karen Shimamoto, Elizabeth Cavasso, Dianna Bass, Barry Pierce, and Sandy Stevenson  
Endowment: Karen Shimamoto, Barry Pierce, Bobby Ray, Fritz Barclay, Elizabeth Cavasso, Jim Wills  
Demotion Party: Barry Pierce

**Membership: Mike Mason / Jeanne Cain**  
New Members: Dick Read, Elizabeth Cavasso

**Rotary Foundation: Jeanne Cain / David Mason**  
Polio: Sandy Stevenson  
Tri/Quad Club Gathering: Walt Davis  
Foundation Dinner: Dave Pena

**International: Alan Cain / Karen Shimamoto**

**Vocational: Carol Sharp / Dick Read / Barry Pierce**

### Youth: Elizabeth Cavasso / Karen Shimamoto

REGL: Karen Shimamoto  
RYLA: Dave Pena, Karen Shimamoto  
RYE: Alan Cain  
Interact: Elizabeth Cavasso, Alan Cain, Dianna Bass  
HS Scholarships: Dave Pena, Dianna Bass, Jeanne Cain  
HS Monthly Reports: Karen Shimamoto

### Service Projects:

Fandango Parade: Dianna Bass, Barry Pierce  
Attic Sale: Dianna Bass, Barry Pierce, Mike Mason  
Steak in the Park: Dianna Bass, Barry Pierce  
Holiday Tea: Dianna Bass, Jeanne Cain  
Block M Basketball: (Sunrise) Barry Pierce  
Rhonda Haselip: Dianna Bass  
Rotarians At Work Day: Jim Cavasso  
Alturas Little Free Library: Elizabeth Cavasso, Carol Sharp  
Junior Livestock Show: Bobby Ray, Barry Pierce  
Golf Tournament: Fritz Barclay, Mike Mason  
Fish Derby: Mike Mason, Fritz Barclay  
Youth Park Oversight: Jim Cavasso