

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.



Rotary Opens Opportunities

RI President-elect Holger Knaack's theme for 2020-21, *Rotary Opens Opportunities*, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.

Holger Knaack
President Rotary international, 2020-2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rotary Club Lunch Meetings

January 5,12,19, 26 - Lunch Meetings at Niles Hotel

Rotary Club Events

Online & TBD - Rotary Attic Sale

District & RI

April 29, 2021 - PH Society Dinner

April 30 - May 2, 2021 - District Conference, South Lake Tahoe Harrah's - Enjoy the Journey

June 12 - 16, 2021 - Rotary International - Taipei, Taiwan



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE January Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Welcome to 2021! It seems to me that no matter how grim things may look at the present, the New Year has a way of bringing a measure of positivity, hope and increased effort to make improvements in our lives. And, of course, as we work to make our lives better, that positivity will spill over into Rotary.

It's fitting that January is Vocational Service Month. Our vocations, as you know, are a cornerstone of Rotary membership and service. Perhaps when all this Covid-19 mess is behind us, we can concentrate on bringing in some new, active members and expanding our diversity in terms of vocations and community influence. In my mind that should always be one of our long-term goals.

PROGRAM FACILITATORS

January: Vocational Service

Jan 5 - Dave Pena

Jan 12 - Carol Sharp

Jan 19 - Elizabeth Cavasso

Jan 26 - Assembly/Amy Foster

February: Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution

Feb 2 - Alan Cain

Feb 9 -

Feb 16 - Laine Hoy

Feb 23 - Assembly/ Bobby Ray

March: Water & Sanitation

April: Maternal & Child Health

May: Youth Service

June: Rotary Fellowships

CLUB PROFILE

Chartered: January 28, 1928

Charter # 2741

Club #517 District #5190

P.O. Box 1630

Alturas, California, USA 96101

Active members: 29

Honorary members: 1

In the near term, we have the Rotary Plaza to work on when the weather breaks! I'm looking forward to a positive 2021 and I know you are as well!

Yours in Rotary,

Barry Pierce

President 2020-2021



Rotary Club of Alturas Celebrates the Holidays with a December Lunch ! YUM!!



President Barry acknowledges Elizabeth Cavasso for joining the Polio Plus Society ! Congratulations!





A NEW LOOK FOR THE NEW ROTARY PLAZA
by Carol Sharp

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has”. Margaret Mead

The above quote describes just what our club does. Maybe not change the world but definitely improve our community. In that respect, Club President Barry’s focus for the club this year is what is now referred to as the Rotary Plaza. Plans are to utilize the current park just north of Plumas Bank on Main Street, improving it as a place for visitors to stop for a break, stretch their legs, and learn a bit about the area.

Improvements anticipated are to erect a kiosk to provide information about the area. This could include the Youth Park, Skate Park, Masten-Ramsey grounds, plus much more. For those whose dogs also need a break, a dog walk could be designated, complete with a doggie-bag dispenser.

Additionally, a structure to provide shade with a couple of picnic tables would help make this an ideal resting place for travelers, as well as local residents while walking, visiting with friends, or shopping.

All in all, the Rotary Plaza will be an exciting project to develop. Adding to the excitement, the Rotary Club of Alturas Sunrise and the Alturas Chamber of Commerce will be joining us on this project, bringing their own suggestions and ideas.

Since the project is all outdoors it will be a Covid-safe environment, allowing fresh air and social distancing.

Let’s all step confidently into 2021 and have a great, successful year!

Two Alturas Rotary Clubs Successful in Grant For High Desert Community Day School Project

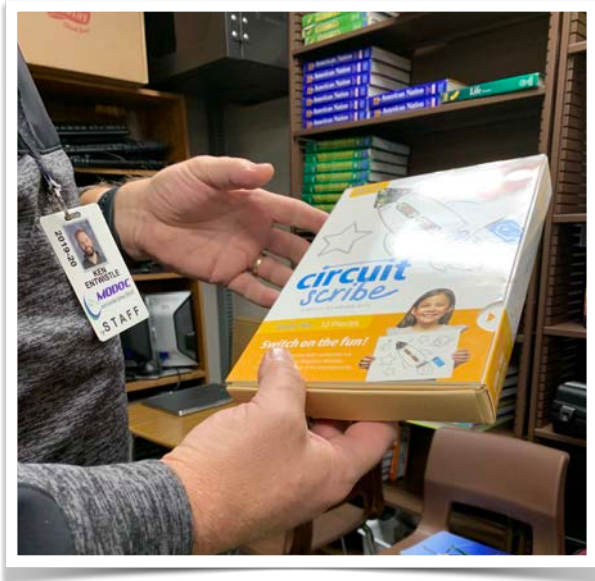
Our two Rotary Clubs successfully obtained a District Grant of \$5660.97 to match our contributions of \$4000 for a combined budget of just under \$10,000! We first reported in the October newsletter about our grant. Well since then, Elizabeth Cavasso and Karen Shimamoto have been spending the money!

The students at HDCDS are working on their academics in a different environment from the mainstream middle and high schools. The educational model combines academics with social and emotional aspects of learning, using educational kits to build robotic cars, robots, drones, solar kits, small engines, electrical circuit boards, rockets and other STEM-type engineered projects. Definitely a more kinesthetic, experiential, practical, purposeful and FUN experience!

We just received an 86" Smartboard Interactive TV to combine with Chromebooks, Go-Pro's, and STEM kits galore! (Ok.... I sense some envy from those designing their "man-caves" or "she-sheds")

We delivered some items before Christmas and will complete our contributions in January. Stay tuned for either assembly times of the equipment, or to host a competitive event once the weather allows to have fun outside!





Birthdays 🎂
Jan 8 - Mike Mason
Jan 15 - Dick Read
Anniversaries ❤️
Jan 9 - Dianna & Dave Bass

CLUB LEADERSHIP

2020 - 2021 Board of Directors

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

2020 - 2021 Committee Chairs

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

2020 - 2021 Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF) Board of Trustees

Voting Members

Alan Cain (6/30/22)
Elizabeth Cavasso (6/30/21)
Laine Hoy (6/30/20)
Karen Shimamoto (6/30/24)
Barry Pierce (6/30/21)
Sandy Stevenson (6/30/21)
Mike Mason (6/30/21)

Non-Voting Advisors

Monica Derner, Treasurer/CPA
Walt Davis, Financial Advisor
Brian Foster, Youth Park

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Rotary International (as of 12/30/20)

Members: 30
Annual Fund Goal: \$4000
Annual Fund YTD: \$3610
Annual Fund Per Capita: \$
PolioPlus Goal: \$2500
Polio Plus YTD: \$831
Total Giving: \$4441.00

Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF) (as of 12/31/20)

John Wall Trust (JWT)

Total: \$0

Edna Brown

Stocks: \$69,192.63

Rotary Club of Alturas

Invested: \$147,282.48

Cash: \$3909.20

2020 - 2021 Committees

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
Demotion Party: Mike Mason, Pam Morrell

Membership: Mike Mason / Jeanne Cain

New Members: Dick Read, Elizabeth Cavasso

Rotary Foundation: Jeanne Cain

Polio: Sandy Stevenson
Foundation Dinner: Dave Pena

International: Alan Cain / Karen Shimamoto

Vocational: Dick Read / Carol Sharp

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, Karen Shimamoto
HS Monthly Reports: Karen Shimamoto

Service Projects: Mike Mason

Fandango Parade: Amy Foster, Barry Pierce
Attic Sale: Dianna Bass, Barry Pierce, Mike Mason, Dick Read
Dinner in the Park: Dianna Bass
Holiday Tea: Dianna Bass, Jeanne Cain, Jeff Moore, Adrienne Moore, Pam Morrell
Block M Basketball: (ALTURAS)- Dianna Bass
Rhonda Haselip: Dianna Bass
Rotarians At Work Day: Jim Cavasso, Dick Read
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, Dick Read, Laine Hoy