

# 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

October 6, 13, 20, 27 - Meetings at Niles Hotel

### Rotary Club Events

Online & TBD - Rotary Attic Sale

### District & RI

Oct 17 - AG & Dist. Leadership Mtg

Oct 24 - World Polio Day

Oct 31 - Final Date to Submit Grant Applications

Dec 31 - RYLA Reservations Due

April 29, 2021 - PH Society Dinner



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

OCTOBER Message

*Dear Fellow Rotarians,*

October is Economic and Community Development Month.

Unfortunately, this is not the optimum time to engage in economic development. In fact, during the pandemic, many of our local businesses are having a very difficult time staying afloat let alone developing new avenues of commerce. It stands to reason, therefore, that we should do our best to keep our dollars right here at home. Sure, it's tempting to go to Klamath or Redding or Reno to buy groceries, hardware or the other necessities of life. I submit, however, that this may be the perfect time to spend our hard-earned dollars right here at home for the items available locally.

As Rotarians, we ask our local merchants to contribute to our activities on a regular basis. Doesn't it stand to reason that we should patronize those very same businesses? Keeping our community strong will always be a give-and-take proposition. We all look forward to the time when we can get back to a more

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

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

**PROGRAM FACILITATORS**

**October: Economic & Community Development**

**October 6 - Pam Morell**

**October 13 - Ben Sylvia**

**October 20 - Dianna Bass**

**October 27 - Walt Davis**

**November: Rotary Foundation**

**November 3 - Jim Cavasso**

**November 10 - Dave Mason**

**November 17 - Dave Pena, Assembly**

**November 24 - Black out**

**December: Disease Prevention & Treatment**

**January: Vocational Service**

**February: Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution**

**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

normal way of life here in our community. Let's hope that will be sooner rather than later!

Yours in Rotary,

*Barry Pierce*

*President 2020-2021*



**Birthdays 🎂**

10/12 - Paul Dolby

10/25 - Jeff Moore

10/28 - Leta Bethel

**Anniversaries ❤️**

10/2 - Kathy & Abel Delgado



**The POWER of ONE by Ashish Ram**

One song can spark a moment  
One whisper can wake the dream  
One tree can start a forest  
One bird can herald spring

One smile can start a friendship  
One hug can lift the soul  
One star can guide a ship at sea  
One word can frame the goal

One vision can change a nation  
One sunbeam lights a room  
One candle wipes out darkness  
One laugh will conquer gloom

One step starts each journey  
One word starts each prayer  
One hope will raise our spirits  
One touch can show you care

One voice can speak with wisdom  
One heart can know what's true  
One life can make a difference  
That difference, can be you



Thank you Carol Sharp for these Words of Inspiration.



**Rotary Attic Online Sale**

**With great energy and help, sales have totaled \$3400 to date !**

**Go Alturas Rotary!**



### **Rotary Clubs of Alturas and Alturas Sunrise Submit a Grant Proposal to Fund a Project for the High Desert Community Day School**

**Students in this non-traditional "continuation" school have different learning, social & emotional needs. To capture their interest to learn in a different way, the school is in need of educational kits to build robotic cars, robots, drones, solar kits, small engines, electrical circuit boards, rockets, and other STEM-type engineered projects. They will also need an interactive smart TV to teach both the on-site students and the distance learning students.**

The High Desert Community Day School (HDCDS) was originally set up as a discipline-heavy, traditional textbook learning system. But the students at HDCDS have been removed from the mainstream middle and high schools because of their struggles with academics, family disfunction, and personal emotional/psychological challenges.

So, today HDCDS administrators and teachers are making great efforts to move away from this educational model, focus instead on the social and emotional aspects of the students. The goal under the new system approaches teaching with new methods – more kinesthetic, experiential, practical, purposeful, and fun. Focus on positive and safe approaches for using their minds, creativity, and initiative. Motivate them to want to use their skills and energy.

There are currently 8 students (6 – 8<sup>th</sup> graders; 1- 9<sup>th</sup> grader; and 1 – 10<sup>th</sup> grader). With the Covid 19 challenges, the school anticipates receiving more students this school year. The goal is to have them return to the mainstream middle or high school, but there is the Warner High Continuation School to further support their 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade education if needed.

Each Rotary Club is contributing \$2000 (total \$4000). District 5190 is matching these funds with \$5000 ! So we have a wonderful project of \$9000.

**As of October 5 at 5:30 pm - we were awarded our District Grant for the High Desert Community Day School Project !! Way to go Rotarians!**

**12 different types of solar robots  
2 level in building the robots as to complexity**



### **New Accountant for the Rotary Club of Alturas and for the Alturas Rotary Community Foundation**

Hello - My name is Cynthia Peña. My family moved to Alturas when I was in the 3rd grade. I graduated from Modoc High School in 1987, and worked in the community for a few years before moving to Marysville, CA in 1994. There I worked as an Eligibility Worker I/II and Employment Specialist for Yuba County Health and Human Services for 10 years. For the next 10 years I was a Bilingual Social Insurance Specialist at the Social Security Administration. Then I took on the position as Manager for the California Trial TANF offices for 3 years and worked at H&R Block during the same time period for the tax seasons.

I opened my own business - Peña Tax Service - in October 2009. I started off by providing tax services to approximately 200 clients, and now have over 2700 tax clients and 27 bookkeeping and/or payroll clients.

I have AA degrees in Accounting ,General Business Management, Business Administration, and Business Computer Applications, and have been a Registered Income Tax Preparer since 2006 and Authorized E-File Provider since 2009.

We made the move to Alturas this past Spring and I will continue to own and operate my business in Marysville for the next few years by going down there for tax seasons. I work from my home office here in Alturas the remainder of the year.

I have been involved in several non-profits in the Yuba/Sutter area for several years and plan to continue these services here in Alturas. Two of my siblings are part of Alturas Rotary and I plan on becoming a member very soon. I have been Treasurer for the Linda Lions Club, a member of the North Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, a Board Member for the Peachtree Health Clinic, and involved with the Yuba-Sutter Chamber of Commerce, Alliance for Hispanic Advancement, the Tri-Counties Talent Search and Winter Wonderland in Yuba County.



**WELCOME CYNTHIA !**

**We look forward to working with you and having you join our Rotary Club!**

**The Rotary Club of Alturas and the Alturas Rotary Community Foundation**

# 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 7/31/20)

Annual Fund Goal: \$  
Annual Fund YTD: \$  
Annual Fund Per Capita: \$  
PolioPlus Goal: \$  
Polio Plus YTD: \$  
Total Giving: \$

## Alturas Rotary Community Foundation (ARCF) (as of 9/25/20)

**John Wall Trust (JWT)**  
Total \$

**Edna Brown**

Stocks: \$64,493.93

**Rotary Club of Alturas**

Invested \$144,056.74

Cash \$2,968.92

## 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