

A letter from our President



Greetings, fellow Rotarians,

I hope you are all safe and well as you make the adjustments during the pandemic.

Your board of directors met on Tuesday, March 24 and made several decisions:

Club meetings are canceled through the month of April. The board will reassess the situation when we meet on April 21 to decide how long this hiatus will continue.

All other club activities are similarly postponed and rescheduled. You will receive notice of rescheduled dates as they become available.

Please reserve June 24 as the new date for our wine auction.

Your board recognizes the financial pain inflicted on the community because of this health crisis. We approved grants of \$1,000 each to Kaweah Delta Hospital Foundation, Visalia Emergency Aid and Visalia Rescue Mission.

The club will also buy gift cards from local businesses to be sold at our wine auction.

We are also working on a way for club members to receive matching funds for their donations to local businesses through the Visalia Rotary Community Foundation. Please be alert for directions on this program.

Your suggestions of businesses that you know are hard hit by the covid-19 lockdown are welcome. We will try to direct relief where we can.

I am working on a video message/meeting to share with members regularly as we move through this enforced "dark" period. The hope is that it will help us keep engaged as club members. It will be directed to your email and posted on our website.

Meanwhile, stay connected with each other. We can't have lunch, but we can call each other. We can't meet, but we can share email, photos and experience. Please especially keep in mind members who are suffering, isolated or ill. Let us know how we can offer comfort.

I look forward to the day we can meet again. Until then, let's be safe out there.

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