



**UNITE FOR GOOD**

**Rotary**

Susitna



## Club Meeting

Susitna  
Meets at Everett's  
Restaurant at the  
Mat-Su Resort  
1850 East Bogard  
Road  
Wasilla, AK 99654  
Time: Wednesday at  
06:00 PM

## Speakers

**July 09, 2025**

Sierra Young,  
Programs  
Specialist,  
Anchorage Museum  
Cold War to the  
Cosmos: Distant  
Early Warning  
Systems and the  
Arctic

**July 16, 2025**

Community Service  
Event in lieu of club  
meeting

Pass out Free Hot  
Dogs & Share  
About Rotary

**July 23, 2025**

Rachel Pugh and  
Mary Yanagawa  
Midwifery Care and  
Out of Hospital  
Birth in Alaska

**July 30, 2025**

Club Assembly  
Our 2025-26  
outbound Youth  
Exchange student,  
Almaira Mitchell,  
will be giving us  
her presentation  
before flying to  
Tawain for her

## Jul 9 Weekly Meeting: Sierra Young from Anchorage Museum

**Wednesday, 6:00pm**

Meet in Person at  
**Everett's at The Mat-Su Resort**

Via Zoom at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5415605940?pwd=ZFJWVK1lZbnJSTHpaOGY1KzErbTlVdz09>



**Anchorage Museum: On view April 4, 2025, through Sept. 7, 2026**

*Third Floor, West Wing*

*Cold War to the Cosmos: Distant Early Warning Systems and the Arctic* examines the Arctic's strategic importance during the Cold War and underscores ways the era fueled global tensions around technology, free expression, and the limits of human progress.

Sierra Young is a Programs Specialist at the Anchorage Museum. After receiving her B.A. in anthropology and history from the University of South Florida and an M.A. in Museum Studies from the University of Washington, she worked as a public-school social studies teacher for five years in Central Florida and for two-and-a-half years in the Iñupiaq village of Nuiqsut, Alaska. Sierra is proud to have served as an AmeriCorps VISTA on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

## Dog Days of Summer are coming

Susitna Rotary will be having a field trip to Newcomb Park in Wasilla near the lake to hand out free hot dogs on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. This is to commemorate National Hot Dog Day with an informational event for the public to learn about Rotary and meet us. This will be in lieu of the regular club meeting for that day.

Bring your family. Invite your friends. Trick people you don't know to come by so we can interest them by showing off our organization and its members, and reel them in with our mission. This is an opportunity to

exchange.

## Events

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## Birthdays

Cindy Wellman  
July 7th

Mandy Mitchell  
July 7th

Sommer L W Miller  
July 8th

Thea J. Whitehead  
July 12th

Hally L Marshall  
July 23rd

Kathleen Frederick  
July 27th

Andrew W Alldredge  
July 29th

## Wedding Anniversaries

David Wayne Cucullu  
July 8th

Wendy Gaynor Cucullu  
July 8th

Alma Hartley  
July 14th

Aaron Coman  
July 14th

Erin Cruz  
July 14th

Christian M Hartley  
July 23rd

Cindy Wellman  
July 29th

Eric Wellman  
July 29th

## Club Leaders

[Kimberly](#)

reach out to the public who have seen our accomplishments but may not know how to join, or may have questions.

This event was the idea of our District Governor, Marty Metiva.



## District Conference Planning needs your help

Past District Governor (and Celebration Co-Chair) Cheryl Metiva had an important message for us last week, and this is a reminder of that message:

We are excited to begin the next stage of planning for the annual District Conference/Celebration! Moving forward, you will see the emphasis on Celebration...as this is our opportunity to celebrate club achievements, fellowship and the spirit of our Alaska Rotary Family. Let's face it, the word 'conference' implies a rather formal session. We're going to have FUN & CELEBRATE at the Talkeetna Lodge next April 30-May 3, 2026!

Behind the scenes, dynamic speakers have been secured, we've reserved the entire Lodge for our event, and the Ken Peltier Band will entertain on Friday evening.

Here's where YOU come in...we are asking one or two people from each club in our region to participate on the Conference/Celebration Committee. This committee will shine a light on our clubs: Eagle River, Wasilla, Palmer, Wasilla Sunrise & Susitna.

**JOIN US for the first committee meeting this Wednesday, July 2, at Everetts restaurant, 5:30 pm. We should be finished in an hour.** At this meeting we will outline details and how you may wish to help. Future committee meeting dates and locations will also be discussed, so you may plan accordingly.

If you can't make the meeting on Wednesday but wish to serve on the committee, please let us know so we will include you in all future communications.

In friendship & service,

Marty Metiva, District Governor (907-355-7934)  
Cheryl Metiva, Celebration Co-Chair (907-3125-9920)  
Denise Kipke, Celebration Co-Chair (907-239-4902)  
Teresa Blume, Speaker Chair (907-355-7036)



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President



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Past Presidents Chair Club Director



Kathleen M. Timm  
Attendance Secretary



Richard A. Cavens  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Lanissa Grogan  
Club Membership Chair



Elinor T Hanley  
Club Admin - meeting PowerPoint



Brenda L. Hewitt  
Club Service Projects Chair Elda

## Show & Tell

Susitna Rotarians and friends are involved in many community activities.

If you have a community event you would like to promote, please email Erin Cruz and Christian Hartley so that we can publicize it in the weekly slideshow (Erin) and weekly bulletin (Christian).

Date	Event	Location	Contact for more info:
Sat, Aug 9, 2025	Texas Hold'Em Alzheimer's Assoc Fundraiser \$100 Buy-in Per Person	Palmer Moose Lodge	Kevin Miller kevin.miller@edwardjones.com 423-2531
Sat, Aug 16, 2025	Houston Founders Day	Fire Station 9-1 Mile 57 Parks Hwy	Christian Hartley
Sat, Sep 27, 2025	Mat-Su Safety Fair	Curtis Menard Sports Center	Christian Hartley

## Save the Dates!

Susitna Rotarians have lots of opportunities in the upcoming months to serve the community and have some fun. Mark your calendars and stay tuned each week for more details as the various events unfold.

Jul	16	Wed	Alaska Rotary Dog's Day of Summer Free	Newcomb Park Pavilion Wasilla Lake 5:00 - 7:00pm	Open to the community Passing out free hot dogs Share the <a href="#">flyer</a>
Jul	31	Thu	First Annual Susitna Rotary Ladies' Afternoon Tea \$25	3318 S Charming Valley Loop Palmer, AK, 99645	RSVP to Sommer Miller by 7/24 call/text 423-827-3787 <a href="https://evite.me/x2pSt7XaF8">https://evite.me/x2pSt7XaF8</a>
Aug	15	Fri	Rotary Fellowship at the Fair \$30	Alaska State Fair Opening Day	RSVP Jan Helfrich 907-355-9333 Download the <a href="#">flyer</a>
Oct	11	Sat	"Around the World in 80 Days" Wasilla Noon Rotary Fundraiser	Curtis Menard Sports Center	Stay tuned for details!
Oct	29	Wed	DG Marty Metiva presentation Susitna Rotary Update on District 5010	Everett's	Club meeting
Nov	8	Sat	The Rotary Foundation Valley Club Fundraiser	Evangelo's	Stay tuned for details!





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Club Admin  
Chair



Josh Waisanen  
Club Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair



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Club  
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Chair



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Service  
Projects-  
Trails



Wendy Gaynor  
Cucullu  
Club  
Service  
Projects -  
Literacy



Rodger Cheadle  
Club  
Learning  
Facilitator



Lynn Mitchell  
Club Youth  
Exchange  
Chair



Aaron Coman  
iPast  
President



Mandy Mitchell  
Club  
Fundraising  
Chair

Nov 26 Wed Happy Thanksgiving

**NO MEETING**

Dec 10 Wed Club Annual Meeting

Everett's

Election of officers  
2026-2027

Dec 17 Wed Club Holiday Party

TBD

Stay tuned for details!

Dec 24 Wed Christmas Eve

**NO MEETING**

Dec 26 Wed Kitchen Clean-up  
Christmas Friendship Dinner

Curtis Menard Sports Center Many hands make light work!

Dec 31 Wed New Year's Eve

**NO MEETING**

**Save  
the  
Date**

