



March 17, 2020

Dear District Three Altrusa Members:

It saddens me to inform you that the Altrusa International District Three, Inc. Board of Directors has voted to cancel our 67th Annual District Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

North Carolina Governor Cooper has mandated through Executive Order that restaurant facilities such as found in our hotel be closed indefinitely. Add that to the exposure of our members to the virus and it makes the Conference impossible to conduct. International President Beverly Hardy and her Board concur with the decision to cancel Conference.

The Crowne Plaza Charlotte Executive Park will cancel all room reservations within the block, for dates April 15-18, 2020. If you reserved a room for other than those dates, please contact the hotel at (704) 527-9650. If you were using IHG Reward Points, please go online to cancel.

Conference registration checks mailed in, but not yet deposited, will be returned to you or destroyed, whichever you prefer. Refund checks will be written and mailed to you for those registrations mailed in that have been already deposited into the Conference account. For online registrations refunds will go back on your Credit Cards.

If you have any questions, please reach out to District Treasurer, Mary Kirley at justbreathe@bellsouth.net or (404) 316-7692.

Voting will proceed and it is imperative you still send your selected Delegates and Alternates list to the District Secretary to be reflected as a voting body. Eligible voters will be notified via e-mail how to vote.

The District and Foundation Award Entries will proceed as outlined and winners will be announced via e-mail and any monetary funds from District Three will be issued and sent to the clubs. Awards such as the Mamie L. Bass, Letha H. Brown, Nina Faye Calhoun and ASTRA will be sent to International for selection.

Online training will still be held for incoming Officers (Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer's and Secretaries) and you will be notified via email as to when and how that will be presented.

I want to express my deepest appreciation for the hard work of the Charlotte Club and all that agreed to participate in our Conference. Special thanks to Conference Co-chairs, Yolander Hunter of the Charlotte Club and Dolores Hall of the Raleigh Club.

I am so proud of all the members that stepped up and said yes when I asked them if they would do a presentation, keep members informed, carry the flags, do the memorial or do an Inspiration. You all ROCK!

The Crowne Plaza Charlotte Executive Park has been very gracious through this all. Support them and all small businesses who will also be affected. We look forward to returning there for Conference in 2022!

We pray and hope this crisis passes soon and that none of our members contract this virus.

Keep safe and be vigilant and hope to see you all soon.

Yours in Altrusa Service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kitty McElhaney".

Kitty McElhaney
Governor