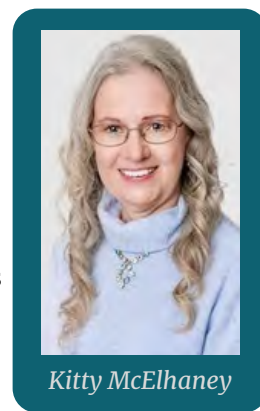


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Immediate Past Governor's Message

What an honor to serve as the Governor of District Three! The past two years have been unlike no other. The biennium began in Augusta on a journey of Navigating Altrusa. Members were committed to Building Better Communities through service, even when facing obstacles due to the world wide pandemic. Our members illustrated flexibility as they engineered creative ways to communicate, perform service and demonstrate a caring attitude for others. The physical 67th District Conference was canceled due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic that beleaguered the nation and the world. District Three business and the announcement of District and Foundation Awards were conducted via electronic meetings. The District Foundation held a “virtual” auction. Club meetings were held virtually, rather than face



Kitty McElhaney

face due to Covid-19 for several months. Thus, clubs were determined to continue service through Altrusa, reflective of the following Altrusa Principle:

“Altrusa believes that the way to progress lies not in emphasizing the faults of men and their failure to give proper recognition, at times, to women in business, but rather in arousing women to their responsibilities and their possibilities, so that their accomplishments will blaze the trail for greater things.”

Emerging from the challenging times, District Three Conference participants were Stepping Outside the Box. Literally, some were traveling outside their comfort zone for the first time in a long time. Conference Co-Chairs Colleen Duris and Frances Ferguson, accompanied by the District Leadership Team, orchestrated an informative, fun conference. Our International Representative was our very own Beverly Hardy, International President. Also in attendance was our very own Linda Robison, International Foundation Chair. District Three is truly blessed with leaders who are dedicated to service at all levels.

Participants of the 68th District Three Conference shared in their evaluations that they enjoyed the camaraderie with other Altrusans, the excitement of the First timers, of which there were thirteen. As one respondent stated, “*Being able to be in person with fellow Altrusans is always inspiring!*” Members responded, as always, to supporting the Conference Service Project for homeless veterans and others in the Greenville area. The enthusiasm as the members compiled the hygiene kits was infectious and entertaining! The generosity was greatly appreciated.

Navigating Altrusa was the compass through trying times that challenged physical and mental well-being of members, financial stability, implementation of service projects and communication channels.

The District Board and Committee Chairs contributed to the success we experienced this biennium. Their creativity, dedication and friendship is irreplaceable. I wish the best to Governor Shannon and her Leadership Team as they embark on their biennium.

The opportunity to serve you has been a humbling experience. Your support, encouragement and friendship have been invaluable.

Altrusa hugs,

Kitty McElhaney

District Three Immediate Past Governor



Incoming Governor Message

"Above and Beyond, Altrusa Lifts Lives"

My Altrusa journey to this point spans over 20 years, and little did I think I would be standing in these metaphoric and to me iconic shoes today! Like many of you, I experienced filling almost every position in my local club. I guess I was in search of where my talents would best serve.

Members and mentors inspired me along the way. But it wasn't until I experienced my first Convention and Conference that I got the "big picture" of who and what we really are as Altrusans. The road that brought me to serving on the District Board has been filled with wonderful and rewarding opportunities and experiences, bonding with so many dedicated Altrusans who have illuminated my path. So, I challenge each of you to encourage one another to begin or continue with your own Altrusa journey. Because you just never know that you could be inspiring and mentoring that future leader!



Shannon Schell
Governor
2021-2023

Every new biennium brings with it a promise of fresh opportunities and renewals. However, we would be remiss if we did not first honor and acknowledge our Past Governor Kitty, our previous Board of Directors and Committee Chairs, for their dedication and successful leadership in "Navigating" and inspiring us these past few years. So, on behalf of our District I give you all a heartfelt *Thank You* for your amazing Service.

The passing of the gavel symbolizes the beginning of a new journey, so I invite you all to take that first step with me, as our new District Leadership Team begins this biennium with the theme that "***Altrusa Lifts Lives***". From my heart to yours, truer words were never spoken. However, our journey can be as important as achieving our goals. To be sure, it is also the new opportunities and friends we meet along the way, that also help us appreciate that journey. So, we want you to plan, implement, achieve and most of all enjoy your own Club's journey this Biennium.

I would also like to say welcome and thank you to all of the new leadership volunteers in our Clubs and District. I am honored to be a part of such a passionate and wonderful organization. As Altrusans we want to help those less fortunate than ourselves. I know that sometimes the impossible can become reality and as Altrusans we help make that happen. We see it first hand in the eyes and smiles of those that benefit from our projects throughout our communities as we go above and beyond our call. We volunteer because we make a difference in lifting others' lives. We build bonds, make friends and feel more connected to others, we develop leadership and other skills and the best part is that our volunteering can be just plain fun.

So, let's take that first step together, come join me on our inspirational journey of Lifting Lives.

Thank you all for your exemplary service to Altrusa,

Shannon





Club Annual Report



By Shannon Schell, Incoming Governor District Three

Completing and submitting the Club Annual Report is very important. It helps assess local, district and international progress annually. The results are similar to a report card for our District. This will be our 4rd year for submitting the reports electronically via Survey Monkey. International sent out the email to all club presidents on February 12, 2021, containing the link to the form, which you can now go back and edit prior to submitting. You can also find this Survey Monkey link on the International website under the Leadership tab. This new report has been simplified and contains only 24 questions and is available now and due June 1, 2021. Survey Monkey will auto calculate your points and upon completion will give you your results immediately. You need to score 65% and have charter status to become a 2020-2021 Distinguished Club.



Shannon Schell

The data in these reports is very valuable to our District and International, it is a “progress report” of how we are doing in each of our communities. It is also a window into club activities to help International and District better serve you. The data can also help your club gather ideas to become stronger. Hopefully this year we can achieve 100% participation. Presidents, please gather the needed information from your club treasurer and committee chairs. The survey should only take you a few minutes to complete. So, I encourage each and every club to submit your report and keep up the great work you are doing!



Presidents Workshop

By Shannon Schell, Incoming Governor District Three



This year it was great to be back to an in-person Conference. We had two separate sessions of the President's Workshop for the first time ever! This allowed more flexibility for the Presidents to attend more of a variety of workshops. Our training session touched on an Incoming Presidents Checklist, Websites, Resources and where to find them, the Club Presidents Handbook, which is designed as a reference library for leadership training and we shared that a well-conceived agenda assures an efficient and productive meeting. We also discussed meeting challenges and corrections and all-important Goals. We discussed the many items available on the International Website under the “Leadership” tab. This is where you will find the Leadership Toolkit, Strategic Plan, Group Tally Toolkit, Parliamentary Procedure and information on completing and submitting the Club Annual Report.

Our session was completely interactive with many participants involved in the discussions. One of the most important topics was “Leadership”, we posed the question “What makes you a great leader?” We talked of attitude, humor, honesty, communication, commitment and creativity. Delegating duties was also high on the list of priorities for a President, this helps to build new leaders for your club and brings us to the conclusion that true leadership lies in guiding others to success! Club Presidents should motivate, inspire and connect their members while promoting their vision for the club year.

Presidents were inspired to plan effectively, by setting their goals and taking action. Remember, those that set goals for themselves are more likely to achieve success.

The PowerPoint presentation that was given has been sent to all Club Presidents so please be sure to share with your incoming President. For your convenience we have posted it to our District website as well, under the About Tab – General Forms – Info for Club Presidents.

My wish for each of you is to have faith in your abilities and by all means have some fun and enjoy your term as President, I know you will all rock your new titles.



District Three Awards

By Dimple Overstreet, District Three Vice Governor, Starke, FL



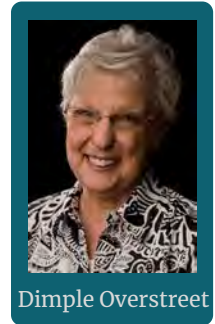
A heart felt "Thank you" to every club for taking the time to complete the award applications and for sending them in.

Membership Anniversaries - 25 Years

- Colleen Duris, Ocala, FL.
- Mildred Finch, Spartanburg, SC
- Brenda Ford, Ocala, FL.
- Brandi Noegel, FL.
- Donna Rogers Marianna, FL
- Ester Tibbs, Gainesville, FL
- Judith Van, Citrus, FL

Membership Anniversaries - 50

- Marilyn Wright, Salisbury, NC
- Jean F. Sydnor, Spartanburg, SC



Dimple Overstreet

Ernestine Milner Program Excellence Award

There were seven (7) entries for this award

- 3rd Place Altrusa International of Raleigh, NC (177)
- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Starke, FL (181)
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL (194)

Todd Jordan Yearbook Submissions:

There were six (6) submissions:

- Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC
- Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL
- Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
- Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
- Altrusa international of Ocala FL
- Altrusa International of Orlando- Winter Park, FL

Newsletter Award

There were five (5) entries for this award:

- 3rd Place Atrusa International of Waynesville, NC (219)
- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Starke, FL (225)
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Lake County, FL (251)

Outstanding Community Service Award

There were ten (10) submissions:

- Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC
- Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL
- Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
- Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
- Altrusa International of North Georgia, GA
- Altrusa International of Ocala, FL
- Altrusa International of Orlando-Winter Park, FL
- Altrusa International of Raleigh, NC
- Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC
- Altrusa International of Starke, FL

The following is based only on the ten (10) submissions

Total volunteer Hours: 6,933

Total Funds Donated or Spent by the Clubs: \$102,819



District Three Awards Continued...

By Dimple Overstreet, District Three Vice Governor, Starke, FL



Club with the most community service hours:

Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC 1,607

Club with the most community service hours per member:

Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC (64)

Club with the highest community service dollars:

Altrusa International of Lake City, FL \$30,515.00

Club who spent the most per member:

Altrusa International of Ocala, FL \$780.00

Myrtice H. Price Membership Award

- 3rd Place Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC (8.70%)
- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Marianna, FL. (9.10%)
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Live Oak, FL. (16.00%)

Greatest Net Gain in Membership

- 3rd Place Altrusa International of Citrus County, FL (2)
- Altrusa International of Marianna, FL (2)
- Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC (2)
- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Statesboro, GA (3)
- 1st Place Altrusa international of Live Oak, FL. (4)

Letha H. Brown literacy Award

There were six (6) entries for this award:

- 3rd Altrusa International of Raleigh, NC (266) Project: "Sweeter Dreams for Babies"
- 2nd Altrusa International of Orlando-winter Park, FL (271) Project: " Back-To-School Brigade 2020"
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Lake County, FL (283) Project: "Reading Superstars"

Mamie L. Bass Service Award

There were ten (10) entries for this award:

- 3rd Place Altrusa International of St. Augustine, FL (263)
Project: "2020 Community Pandemic Relief"
- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Lake City, FL (268)
Project: Serving Others Who Serve"
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Lake County, FL (287)
Project: "Homeless to Heroes "

Dr. Nina Fay Calhoun International Relations Award

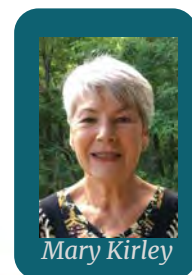
There were two (2) entries for this award

- 2nd Place Altrusa International of Starke, FL (220)
- 1st Place Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC (291)

Altrusa International District Three, Inc.

Membership Report

By Mary Kirley
District Three Treasurer



Altrusa International District Three, Inc.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT as of May 15, 2021



CLUB	Paid Members	Emeritus	Lifetime	TOTAL MEMBERS
Florida				
1 Citrus County	26			26
2 Gainesville	59	5		64
3 Lake City	95	2		97
4 Lake County	23	1		24
5 Live Oak	26	1		27
6 Marianna	22	2		24
7 Monticello	19	1		20
8 Ocala	34	1		35
9 Orlando-Winter Park	25	2		27
10 St Augustine	16			16
11 Starke	43	2		45
12 Tampa Bay	12	3		15
TOTAL FL	400	20	0	420
Georgia				
1 Atlanta	6			6
2 North Georgia	25	3		28
3 Statesboro	39	4		43
TOTAL GA	70	7	0	77
North Carolina				
1 Caldwell County	1	1		2
2 Charlotte	25	3		28
3 Durham	6			6
4 Gastonia	11			11
5 Raleigh	14		1	15
6 Salisbury	11	1		12
7 Waynesville	25			25
TOTAL NC	93	5	1	99
South Carolina				
1 Gaffney	6			6
2 Spartanburg	28	2		30
TOTAL SC	34	2	0	36
Affiliate Virtual Club in Formation	2			2
Affiliate Members	2			2
Emeritus No Club Affiliation		3		3
REPORT SUMMARY:				
Active Members	599			
Emeritus Members	37			
Lifetime Members	1			
Affiliate Members	2			
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	639			



District Three New Members

By Mary Kirley
District Three Treasurer



Altrusa International District Three, Inc.
NEW MEMBER Jan 16 - May 15, 2021

New Member	Sponsor	Joined
LAKE COUNTY, FL		
Lyndsi Johnson	Jennifer Rivera/Elizabeth Jozsi	March
Danielle Parker	Jennifer Rivera/Elizabeth Jozsi	March



District Three 2021 Conference Treasurers' Workshop

By Beverly Hardy, Intl President & Mary Kirley
District Three Treasurer



Club Treasurers play a vital role in their clubs and have a myriad of tasks to master! Indeed, being a good Treasurer demands more than the ability to balance a check book.

To assist the club treasurers and Finance Committee members attending this year's Treasurer's Workshop, International President Beverly Hardy and District Three Treasurer Mary Kirley offered new and seasoned financial officers an informal presentation on the scope of their responsibilities. Topics covered included: The Treasurer's Calendar, General and Financial Responsibilities such as planning an annual budget and providing monthly reports to their club members, Group Tally, and Cyber Fraud.

The 2021-2022 schedule for payment of International and District dues renewals was reviewed along with membership categories, amounts due, deadlines, and late and reactivation fees. The Club Treasurer is responsible for invoicing each member at least 1 month in advance for upcoming dues renewal and submitting all dues payments along with International Convention fees and District Conference fees in a timely manner. This year their club's delegates to the International Convention may register to vote remotely and are encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

A PowerPoint presentation offered important instructions on how to navigate Group Tally. Attendees were shown how to (1) log onto their club's page, (2) update their club's member and leadership information, (3) make an online payment, and (4) add a new member. Treasurers are encouraged to periodically go online and review their club records on Group Tally and report all changes in membership to the District Treasurer.

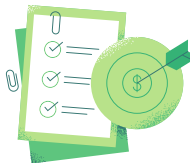
Beware of Cyber Fraud! Treasurers were alerted to the growing presence of Cyber Fraud and ways to protect themselves, such as periodically changing their passwords and using two factor authentications whenever possible, monitoring online banking and email accounts, and reporting suspicious activity. Treasurers should always be careful when making any payment. **When in doubt** as to whether a payment is legitimate, treasurers should **pick up the phone** and talk directly with their Club President.

In talking about her experience, first-timer and returning club treasurer Dolores Jackson said, "The presenters led a highly informative and interesting workshop. Their wealth of knowledge coupled with the PowerPoint presentation helped equip me to 'balance the books!'"



District Three Approved Budget

By Mary Kirley
District Three Treasurer



Altrusa International District Three, Inc.
APPROVED BUDGET
March 1, 2021 - February 28, 2022

Revenues	Budget	Actual	Difference	Proposed 2021-22	
4010 Dues - Renewing Members	11,300.00	11,620.00	320.00	11,000.00	
4015 Dues - Renewing Young Professionals	0.00	10.00	10.00	50.00	
4020 Dues - New Members (Full)	740.00	380.00	(360.00)	380.00	
4030 Dues - New Members (Half)	160.00	80.00	(80.00)	80.00	
4035 Dues - Young Professionals	200.00	50.00	(150.00)	50.00	
4040 Dues - Affiliates	60.00	115.00	55.00	40.00	
4100 Late Fees Income	30.00	0.00	(30.00)	30.00	
4110 Interest Income	60.00	4.17	(55.83)	0.00	
4120 Dividend Income	1,000.00	1,059.31	59.31	1,000.00	
4125 Donations	0.00	145.00	145.00	0.00	
4200 Conference Income	0.00	1,165.05	1,165.05	0.00	
4350 Gain/Loss of Asset Sale	0.00	938.68	938.68	0.00	
4600 Transfer Unreserved Funds (General)	1,630.00	0.00	(1,630.00)	6,600.00	
4700 Trans from Conf Reserved	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,700.00	
4800 Trans from BH Fund Reserved	1,800.00	75.00	(1,725.00)	1,800.00	(1)
Total Income & Transfers	16,980.00	15,642.21	(1,337.79)	28,730.00	
Operating Expenses					
6000 International Convention Exp.	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	
6005 International Dues (from Affiliates)	0.00	55.00	55.00	0.00	
6070 New Club Bldg Expense	500.00	0.00	(500.00)	300.00	
6080 New Club Building Incentives Policy	300.00	0.00	(300.00)	200.00	
6090 Club Revitalization	1,200.00	0.00	(1,200.00)	800.00	
6100 Conference Expense	0.00	123.12	123.12	0.00	
6180 Program Coordinator	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(5)
6190 Transfer to Conference Budget	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,700.00	
6195 Membership Incentive Awards	250.00	125.00	(125.00)	250.00	
6197 Myrtice Price Award Expense		100.00		100.00	
6200 Board Travel Meeting Expense	5,500.00	2,005.94	(3,494.06)	6,500.00	(6)
6250 Board Travel/Non Meeting	5,500.00	412.82	(5,087.18)	5,000.00	
6275 Past Governors Council Luncheon	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	
6300 Governor Elect Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	(2)
6450 Ribbons Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6500 Governor Expense	150.00	119.88	(30.12)	150.00	
6510 Governor's Pin Expense	300.00	242.15	(57.85)	0.00	(3)
6515 Awards Recognition	150.00	119.40	(30.60)	150.00	
6520 Postage Expense	55.00	55.00	0.00	55.00	
6530 Printing/Copying Expense	150.00	0.00	(150.00)	150.00	
6535 Print District Three History Book	0.00	0.00	0.00	650.00	(7)
6550 Operating Supplies	65.00	0.00	(65.00)	65.00	
6560 Insurance (Crime Policy)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4)
6700 Treasurer's Cost Expense	100.00	240.00	140.00	100.00	
6800 Web Site/DropBox Expense	100.00	0.00	(100.00)	250.00	
6850 Club Banner	250.00	0.00	(250.00)	250.00	
6900 Club 21	210.00	210.00	0.00	210.00	
6950 Big Heart Fund - Expense	1,800.00	75.00	(1,725.00)	1,800.00	(1)
7000 In Memorium	300.00	0.00	(300.00)	300.00	
9000 Miscellaneous Expense	100.00	0.00	(100.00)	100.00	
Total Expenses	16,980.00	3,883.31	(13,196.69)	28,730.00	
Net Income Over Expenses		\$ 11,758.90			

(1) Based on possibility of 1 member of 24 Clubs @ \$75 each per club needing assistance

(2) Occurs every other year; \$800 for 2021-2022 budget year

(3) Occurs every other year

(4) Bond (Crime Policy) Insurance for Signatories every 3 years (Renew 10-22)

(5) Current Program Coordinator does not claim mileage through 2020-21 biennium. Future Coordinators may claim mileage

(6) Covers expenses of Board members and Conference Co-Chairs in attendance

(7) One time Board supported expense



2019-2020 Altrusa District Three In Memoriam Remembering our departed Altrusans

Name	Club	One-line Bio
Dr. Rubye Beal-Fitzgerald	Gainesville, FL	An active member who participated in projects and committees
Dr. Ann Bromley Eastwood	Gainesville, FL	Charter Member of the Gainesville Club, organized in 1958 and served as President in 1961-1962.
Linda Henderson	Gainesville, FL	Always wanted to help and take care of people; Founder of the Altrusa House of Gainesville
Joyce McCallum	Gainesville, FL	Joyce was the club's official Greeter. Everyone entering our meetings was welcomed warmly, with a big smile.
Elaine Muther	Gainesville, FL	Voted Altrusan of the year 1998-99 and served as club President 2001-2002
Wuni Ryschkewitsch	Gainesville, FL	Strong member of the International Committee; cooked every year for the International Dinner Fundraiser
Mary Evan Weber	Gainesville, FL	Instrumental in setting up club's Foundation and served as its Treasurer and Club Secretary
Elaine Lovell	Lake County, FL	Past President of Altrusa Lake County 2005-06
Pauline Turner	Marianna, FL	She was the first woman on Marianna's City Council city and Mayor in 1978; active in planning events and fundraisers
Iona Hyatt	St. Augustine	Energetic, reliable and enthusiastic member; helped maintain historic Lambias House and Gardens (circa 1763)
Teila Pearson	Starke, FL	Worked on Gala fundraiser of the Starke Altrusa Foundation and Christmas bell ringing for Salvation Army; Bradford County Tax Collector (1992-2012)
Edith Francis	Tampa Bay, FL	International President Beverly Hardy said "Edith was such an inspiration to all that knew her"
Jorge L Santana*	Tampa Bay, FL	Tampa Bay Vice President and Vice President; always cheerful and a well-loved, never boring reader for Club's literacy projects
Joan Davidson Jenkins*	North Georgia, GA	Two years as Director on the Board big supporter of Authors' Luncheons and club's annual fundraiser, always selling more than her share of tickets
Mildred English	Charlotte, NC	Prior to Emeritus status and her passing she was the longest active Altrusan in the Club's history; Past President, mentored new club members
Roberta Rossi	Charlotte, NC	Member for 34 years, Past Club President, long-time club Parliamentarian and always generous with time and expertise to support the club
Ann Criscoe	Gastonia, NC	Ann was an active, dedicated member of the Altrusa Club of Gastonia for many years.
Jeanette Scott	Raleigh, NC	Club member since 1973 serving as a Director on the Board; Finance Committee member and chair; active in club projects and fundraising.
Dorothy Reep	Statesville, NC	Active club member served in many Board roles until became Emeritus one who got things done Dorothy was continually involved in the Community
Catherine Humphries	Spartanburg, SC	Joined Altrusa with stage 4 cancer serving on the Community Service Committee; "Cathy was weak in body but very strong in spirit and will be missed."



68th Annual District Three Conference Summary

By Colleen Duris and Frances Ferguson
District Three Conference Co-Chairs



Our theme for this conference was “STEPPING OUTSIDE THE BOX” and we did just that. Seeing eighty-five of our Altrusa sisters and brothers was amazing. Social distancing and masks did not stop us from catching up after two years, learning from the workshops and having lots of fun.

The conference began on Thursday with the First Timers Orientation presented by Joanne Brown, Nanci Schwartz and Karen Wishart. There were nineteen first timers attending and after a successful three day treasure hunt Jim Kirley won a \$100 certificate to use at next conference.

A welcome reception was hosted by Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC with light refreshments as we greeted old friends and met new ones. The opening ceremony followed with the Flag Ceremony and the in Memoriam Ceremony. The colors were presented by Southside High School Air Force Junior ROTC. Co-Chair Colleen Duris welcomed everyone on behalf of the Conference Committee. Our Governor Kitty McElhaney welcomed everyone and introduced the District Officers and Committee Chairs.

Conference opening breakfast was hosted by Altrusa International of Statesboro, GA on Friday morning. Greetings were given from International Representative and International President Beverly Hardy. The keynote speaker was LaShone Surrency, Altrusan from Altrusa International of Lake City. She gave an inspiring talk “There’s GREATNESS in YOU Outside the Box”. Immediately after breakfast the first business meeting was called to order by Governor Kitty McElhaney. With eighteen clubs represented from District Three and eighty-five full registrations it was a successful meeting. District Three Office Nominees were presented as follows: Governor-Elect nominee, Dimple Overstreet; Vice-Governor nominee, Mantha Young; Treasurer nominee, Scott Tice; Director nominees, Roberta Klusmeier, Dorothy Manning, Nancy Shumaker and LaShone Surrency.

Foundation luncheon and annual meeting was hosted by Altrusa International of Gaffney, SC at noon on Friday. A Foundation grant was received by Spartanburg, SC for their project Altrusa Native Plant Garden. Altrusa International of Gainesville FL received the Lucile Spillers Alexander ASTRA Award. Richard Ward Ulrich Environmental Service Award was received by Altrusa International of Charlotte NC. The first place Literacy Service Award was received by St. Augustine FL. The first place winner of the Vocational Services Award went to Starke FL. First place for the Cassie S. Dollar Rehabilitative Service Award was received by Starke FL. Vice Chair Martha Epps and Governor Elect Shannon Schell handled the nominations and elections of the new District Three Foundation Trustees and Treasurer, Laura Gunter, Julie Keiper and Treasurer Dawn Mainville. A live auction by auctioneer Margaret Cannon for the traveling quilt ended the luncheon. Governor elect Shannon Schell received the quilt.

Informative Workshops were presented Friday afternoon and elections were held after the workshops. Fun Night with the theme of “Get Your Club’s Groove On!” was hosted by Altrusa International of Orlando-Winter Park. Everyone had a great time and thanks to Randi Kahl for hosting.

Breakfast and Awards Ceremony was held Saturday morning hosted by Altrusa International of Starke FL. Recognition of 25-year members were as follows: Colleen Duris, Mildred Finch, Brenda Ford, Brandi Noegel, Donna Rogers, Ester Tibbs, and Judith Van Dermark. Recognition of 50-year members in 2020 was Dorothy Alderfer and Jean F. Sydnor and for 2021 Marilynn Wright. It was a pleasure to see Jean accepting her 50 year pin! First place for The Ernestine Milner Program Excellence Award was received by Altrusa International of Gainesville FL. First place for the Newsletter Award was received by Altrusa International of Lake County FL. The Letha H. Brown Literacy Award was received by Altrusa International of Lake City FL. The Mamie L. Bass Service Award first place winner was Altrusa International of Lake County FL. First place winner of the Dr. Nina Fay Calhoun International Relations Award was Altrusa International of Charlotte NC. Governor’s Outstanding Club Award was 1st place to Altrusa International of Lake City, FL; 2nd place to Altrusa International of Starke, FL and 3rd place to Altrusa International of Ocala, FL.



Colleen Duris



Frances Ferguson



68th Annual District Three Conference Summary Continued...



By Colleen Duris and Frances Ferguson
District Three Conference Co-Chairs

The second business meeting was held Saturday morning. Co-Chairs Dolores Hall and Yolander Hunter of the 2022 District Three District Conference in Charlotte NC gave an invitation to attend the Conference April 28-30, 2022. The theme will be "See It, Express It, Live It!". Begin planning to attend NOW. International President and Representative Beverly Hardy issued an invitation of attend the 57th International Convention July 28-21, 2021 in Charlotte, NC at the Hilton Charlotte University Place. Past Governors enjoyed a luncheon hosted by Linda Roberson.

Although it rained all day on Saturday, some brave Altrusans took the hotel shuttle to downtown Greensboro to see the city. There was an International Representative Reception honoring Beverly Hardy, International President followed by the Governors Banquet hosted by Altrusa International of Lake County, FL. A great time was had by all attending.

The following District Three Altrusa International officers were installed: Governor, Shannon Schell; Governor Elect, Dimple Overstreet; Vice-Governor, Mantha Young; Treasurer, Scott Tice; Directors, Dorothy Manning, Nancy Shumaker, LaShone Surrency. The flags were retired and the meeting adjourned.

Thanks to Out-going Governor, Kitty McElhaney for her service in her two- year term. You were a great Governor and your leadership was beyond excellent.

SEE YOU ALL IN CHARLOTTE NC APRIL 28-30, 2022!





Support Our Soldiers Conference Service Project



By Helma Hicks-Gaskins
District Three Service Program Development Chair

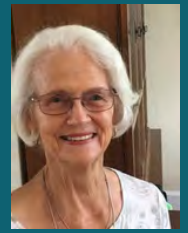
District Three Governor Kitty's decision to make homeless care kits for our Conference Service Project was the perfect fit for International President Beverly's **Support Our Soldiers** International Project.

There are over a half million homeless people in America on any given night, 11% of all homeless males are Vets and domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness in women.

Thanks be to God, there are non-profit organizations all across America that offer the homeless a better, brighter future. The Alston Wilkes Society located in South Carolina is such a place. They offer counseling, training, education and employment and so much more.

Our 24 clubs were so generous with their donations that we were able to provide the Alston Wilkes Society with 156 care kits for distribution to the homeless Vets in the Greenville area and while they give our kits out, the Alston Wilkes society can offer the homeless an opportunity for a better way of life.

The camaraderie we shared while assembling the care kits, writing encouraging notes to the recipients of the kits, and connecting through the common thread of service to others is what Altrusans do. Yes, we were a blessing to the homeless and to the Alston Wilkes Society, but the joy that comes from doing our Father's will by helping others is what matters most.



Helma Hicks-Gaskins





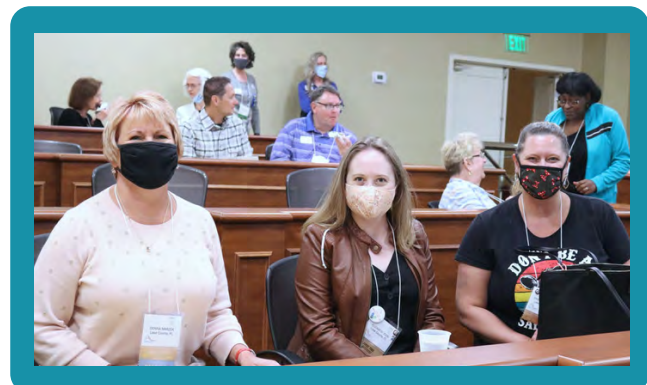
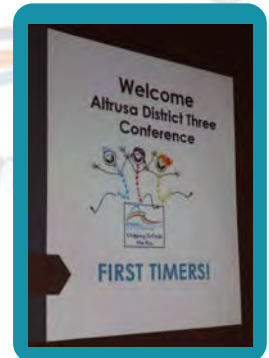
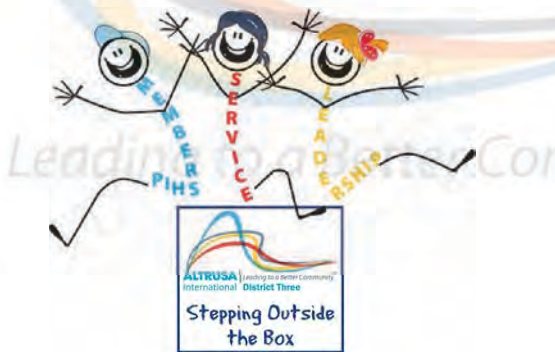
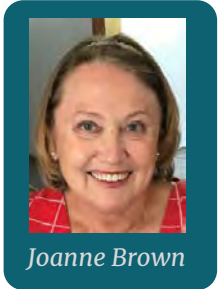
First Timers to Conference

By Joanne Brown, Director 2019-2021



The 2021 Greenville SC District Three First Timers Orientation had a record 21 attendees including three men, a most welcome addition. This was out of the 85 registered for the conference. The first-time attendees were introduced to the International President Beverly Hardy, the District Three Board, conference co-chair Colleen Duris and the Chair of the Elections Committee, Delores Hall.

After the introductions and light ice cream refreshments they were given a history of Altrusa and discussion about what to do at conference. Then it was their turn to introduce themselves and tell what made them decide to join Altrusa. At the end they were given a questionnaire to complete with signatures of two district directors, the international president and one Altrusan from each of the four states in the district with the number of years they had been in Altrusa. Anyone whose numbers added up to 100 years was eligible for a drawing for a \$100 certificate for next year's conference in Charlotte, NC. There were 5 new comers that qualified for the drawing and Mr. Jim Kirley (husband of treasurer Mary Kirley) was the lucky winner. He is with the North Georgia Club.





2021 Altrusa Spirit Award Winner Announced at Conference

By Nanci Schwartz, Director 2019-2021



We all know Altrusans who epitomize the Principles of our organization. They are selfless. They work hard. They give so much to their club, to their communities and to Altrusa District Three.

It is an Altrusa District Three tradition to honor one Altrusan who consistently demonstrates all the good that is our organization whether at home or at the District Three Conference.

Each registered conference attendee received a Spirit Award nomination form in the registration packet. The form was also available online and nominations could be submitted through a link in the conference program.

Spirit Award honorees cannot be a member of the current District Three Board and they cannot have previously won the award.

A few Altrusans who stand out for their commitment and fellowship were nominated for their contribution as a member of our organization. All are worthy of recognition but one Altrusan truly stood out as deserving of the Spirit Award. At home, this Altrusan volunteered to step into leadership roles when fellow members could not. She has also been an ambassador for the club, having recruited new members. When the pandemic closed schools, she developed a service project focused on helping children in the community.

At the conference in Greenville, this Altrusan was involved with the conference service project, participated in workshops and even agreed to wear blue butterflies on her head as one of the expeditors.

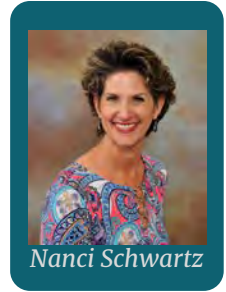
As one nomination stated, her love for Altrusa, her willingness to take on any task where she sees a need, and her position for helping others are what makes this Altrusan outstanding.

District Three Directors Joanne Brown, Nanci Schwartz and Karen Wishart, who reviewed the nominations, wholeheartedly agreed.

With the assistance of the 2019 Spirit Award Winner Christine Plant, of the St. Augustine club, Dee Dugger from the Gainesville Club was named this year's honoree.

Dee received the Spirit Award trophy which she'll keep until the next conference when District Three Altrusans gather and select the next winner.

Congratulations to Dee and thank you for all you do for Altrusa.



Nanci Schwartz



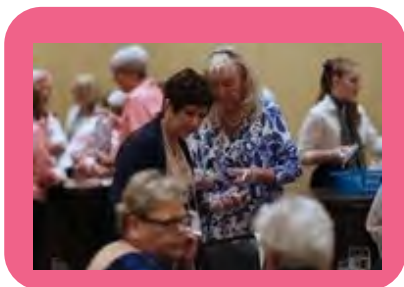
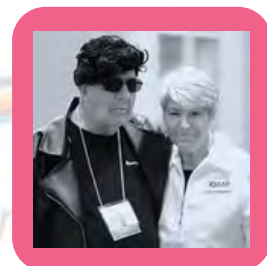
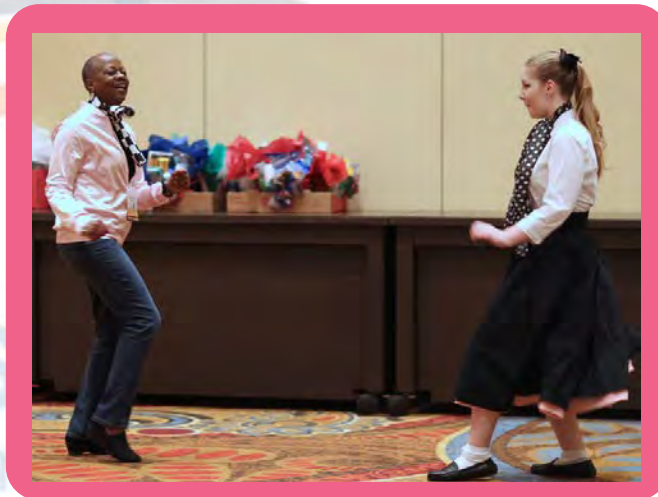
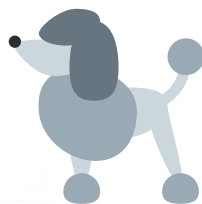


Friday Fun Night

Conference Friday Fun Nigh



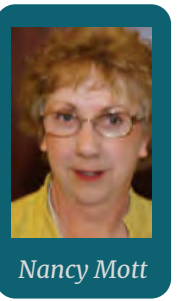
Friday Fun Night



International Foundation Grants, Grants & More Grants

By Nancy Mott
Intl Foundation Liaison

First, let me thank District 3 members who supported Altrusa International Foundation during the April 2021 District Three Conference in Greenville, SC. A total of \$1,513 was raised for the International Foundation with your generosity of sales for Luci Lights, Club 21 memberships, and donations. Donations will still be counted for the “Spring Back Into Things” fundraising challenge through June 2021. Go to Altrusa.org and click on the Foundation tab – your club could be a winner. Thank you to all our District 3 clubs – your contributions will help keep the International Foundation’s grants programs running.



Two District 3 clubs were awarded grants from the International Foundation Grant Program in April 2021:

Statesboro, GA received \$2,000 for their Books for Backpack Buddies project. They extended their Read to Me project by now including giving a book a month to Kindergarten children as well as to the kids in their Backpack Buddies program. In one month they gave out 1,049 books and over the past eleven years they have given out 66,488 books!!!

Raleigh, NC received a \$2,000 grant for a Sweeter Dreams for Babies project. They provided a bedtime reading package to low-income families who received new cribs from The Green Chair program. The club filled a reusable bag which included two board books, burp cloth, teether, soft blankie and a bilingual card promoting reading to babies.

One District 3 club sponsored an organization who received a grant from the Club 21 Program:

Happy’s Farm, Inc. in Salisbury received a \$2,500 grant for their “Buckaroos Reading in the Barnyard Quarters”. This program will help disadvantaged and special needs children with their literacy skills by reading to the animals at the farm. The grant will be used to refurbish the barnyard quarters into a reading oasis. The Salisbury, NC club has been a long time sponsor of Happy’s Farm.

Way To Go District 3 clubs – keep those reading projects going!!
The next International grants cycle will be in the fall.



District Three Foundation News

By: Julie Keiper, District Three Nominating Committee Chair

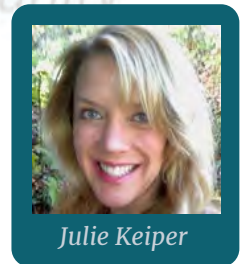


The District Three Foundation is honored to continue to serve the members of District Three clubs through our fiscal partnerships with clubs, award recognitions, grants, and fundraising to support these initiatives.

We welcome new trustees to the board: Laura Gunter of Gainesville, FL and Christy Bryant of Charlotte, NC with Martha Eppe serving as Chair.

We are continuing our mission to bring the District Three Foundation Grants Fund to the \$50,000 level to enable awarding grants from interest earned and to be self-sustaining. We are reviewing a new opportunity for fully funded Foundation Service Award. We continue our participation with Amazon Smile for 0.5% of eligible purchases designated for the Foundation by members and supporters – please share with your friends and family to encourage selecting District Three Foundation at AmazonSmile.

In 2020 when our conference was cancelled, we hosted the “Pajama Gala – No Show Auction” online fundraising event raising \$1,355.00. We hosted numerous board meetings by Zoom, gathered for our midyear planning meeting, and re-filed to maintain our not-for-profit status.





District Three Foundation News Continued & Award Winners



At this year's District Three Conference, we presented an array of intriguing items for auction. The combined funds raised at our silent auction and live auction were \$5,033. The most popular live auction item was, of course, the Traveling Quilt – a Foundation tradition! Thank you to everyone for their generous contributions and enthusiastic bids on the wine baskets, gift collections, afghans, scarves, jewelry, décor, and attraction passes! We also sold donated pins with \$132 proceeds supporting the foundation.

At conference, we honored Kitty McElhaney for achieving Mamie L. Bass status. We also recognized those reaching Governor's Circle status: Altrusa International of Lake County, FL, Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC, Mary Kane, Julie Keiper, and Penny A. Penn.

Awards and grants presented at the District Three Conference this year were:

Lucille Spillers Alexander ASTRA Award: Gainesville, FL For their Field and Fork Gainesville
Spartanburg SC was awarded \$500 for their Altrusa Nature Plant Garden
Richard Ward Ulrich Environmental Service Award

- **1st place** - Charlotte, NC - Mask to the Rescue
- **2nd place** - Lake City, FL - Solaris Garden Project

Literacy Service Award

- **1st place** - St. Augustine, FL - Investing in Kids
- **2nd place** - Lake City, FL - Reading, Writing, Hunger
- **3rd place** - Lake County, FL - Reading Superstars

Vocational Services Award

- **1st place** - Starke, FL - Assisting women in Obtaining a GED
- **2nd place** - Lake City, FL - Making a Difference Day and Helping Women Period
- **3rd Place** - Lake County, FL Give a Gal a Break

Cassie S Dollar Service Award

- **1st place** - Starke, FL - Supporting Rehabilitation of Our Vets
- **2nd place** - Lake City, FL - Girls Summit- You are Kind, Smart and Important
- **3rd place** - Charlotte, NC - COVID with a PIVOT

Thank you for your support and Altrusa Service!
Julie Keiper – Outgoing Chair, District Three Foundation



District Three Foundation Financials

By Scott Tice, District Three

ALTRUSA DISTRICT THREE FOUNDATION, INC Balance Sheet As of February 28, 2021



Scott Tice

	Feb 28, 21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Wells Fargo Advisors	105,593.10
Wells Fargo Checking	316.37
Wells Fargo Savings	40,622.96
Total Checking/Savings	146,532.43
Total Current Assets	146,532.43
TOTAL ASSETS	146,532.43
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
I-PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	
ASTRA FUND	10,000.46
CASSIE DOLLAR FUND	12,577.25
LITERACY FUND	10,225.00
ULRICH ENVIRONMENTAL FUND	10,000.00
VOCATIONAL FUND	10,025.00
Total I-PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	52,827.71
II-TEMP. RESTRICTED FUNDS	
FISCAL SPONSORSHIPS	47,854.46
SPECIAL ACCOUNTS	
DISTRICT THREE GRANT FUND	30,481.56
JOEY ROBISON SCHOLARSHIP FUND	4,199.50
Total SPECIAL ACCOUNTS	34,681.06
Total II-TEMP. RESTRICTED FUNDS	82,535.52
III-UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
DIVIDEND/INTEREST - Wells Fargo	
DIVIDENDS-WF Advisors	17,512.00
DIVIDEND/INTEREST - Wells Fargo - Other	-9,488.94
Total DIVIDEND/INTEREST - Wells Fargo	8,023.06
GENERAL FUND	
DONATIONS	
Grants Activity	-18,378.64
DONATIONS - Other	33,337.38
Total DONATIONS	14,958.74
GENERAL FUND - Other	-11,812.60
Total GENERAL FUND	3,146.14
Total III-UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	11,169.20
Total Equity	146,532.43
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	146,532.43