

Annual Report: Spring 2024

Report Submitted by: Kitty McElhaney

Position: ASTRA Committee Chair

Activities/Achievements:

• Reconciled the list of active ASTRA Clubs

- Emailed introductory message to Club Presidents who sponsor an ASTRA Club and ASTRA Sponsors
- Prepared article for Summer 2023 DSB and Winter DSB
- Provided updated information for District Three website
- Emailed pertinent ASTRA documents to ASTRA contacts
- Submitted photos of ASTRA of Charlotte, Epiphany and West Port to International ASTRA Chair for newsletter.
- Sent grant KM ASTRA grant application to club contacts.
- Follow up on West Port High Club
- Assisted with process of chartering ASTRA Club in Lake City, FL at Richardson Sixth Grade Academy (RSGA).
- Attended Charter ASTRA Ceremony at RSGA.
- Provided ASTRA information to Club President, St. Augustine, FL.
- Sent letter of Congratulations to President of St Augustine with the Chartering of an ASTRA Club
- Forwarded ASTRA Scholarship information to appropriate ASTRA Club Liaisons



District Committee Chair Report

Date: March 31, 2024

Report Submitted by: Jane Gray

Position: Chair - Bylaws, Resolutions and Recommendations

Activities/Achievements:

• Accepted appointment as BRR Chair from Governor Dimple Overstreet

- Attended 2023 Convention as Delegate from the Raleigh, NC Club and involved in discussions over Bylaw changes at the International level
- Prepared documents for the District Board regarding changes to District Bylaws consistent with changes to the International Bylaws
- Wrote article for the Fall DSB
- Responded to request for opinion from the Virtual Club Planning Committee
- Comunicated with Director Roberta Klusmeier in her capacity as liaison to the BRR Committee
- Read Club newsletters sent to me and offered comments
- Responded to requests of Governor Dimple Overstreet
- Participated in monthly Zoom meetings of the Conference Committee beginning Nov. 2024
- Communicated with District Three Club Presidents about submitting orders from Doc Morgan, Inc. for the Altrusa Store and compiled the order once complete
- Received, delivered and set up items for the Altrusa Store at the Conference and will complete a
 financial summary to the Treasurer once the Store is closed and any remaining items are
 returned to Doc Morgan, Inc.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

Recommended changes to the District Three Bylaws and Policies consistent with the changes made at the 2023 International Convention

Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:

Extending thanks to the District Board and all Club Presidents for their support and cooperation!



Date: April 16, 2024

Report Submitted By: Gale Trotter

Position: Club Revitalization Committee Chair

Activities/Achievements:

Six clubs that are under charter were emailed a welcome letter last July. I introduced myself, offered help and explained the grant process. Each club received the grant guidelines and request forms which were due 9/1/23. None of the clubs applied for grant money or reached out to me with questions. I followed up with a second email in August offering help again with writing a grant proposal and received no response.

In August I submitted an article for the DSB about the grant program.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

We should congratulate the clubs that are growing or holding their own. Keeping an Altrusa sphere of influence alive in all clubs is important. As times change, Altrusa will change and adapt while keeping the philosophy and vision of Mamie Bass to be a "builder of women" at the forefront of all we do. We have our work cut out for ourselves!



Date: April, 9, 2024

Report Submitted by: Josie Frieser

Position: Communications Chair

Activities/Achievements: Facebook/2024 Conference Program

- Continued District Three Facebook page monitoring
- Shared highlight posts from District Three Club activities to the Facebook page
- Began to work on the Conference Program layout
- Made suggestions to reduce the number of pages and in turn reduce the cost of the programs
- Design and completion of Conference Program is underway and ongoing

Respectfully submitted,

Josie Frieser



Date: March 27, 2024

Report Submitted by: Martin Houston

Position: District Three International Foundation Liaison

Activities/Achievements:

- Received updates from the Altrusa International Office and Foundation Staff.
- Transmitted funds from our District Three Conference International Foundation 2023 Fundraiser to the International Foundation, in the amount of \$769.00.
- Written three articles for the District Three Service Bulletin from Conference and regarding the International Foundation and Foundation Grants.
- Attended the 2023 International Convention in San Antonio, Texas.
- Attended two Zoom meetings with the International Foundation Board.
- I am available to answer questions regarding the International Foundation and Foundation Grants.
- Reminded District Three members to send correspondence and donations to the new office address: 1400 E Touhy Ave, Suite 410, Des Plaines, IL 60018

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

None at this time.

Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:

- Will attend this year's Conference in Atlanta, Georgia and represent the International Foundation.
- Planning for the 2025 Conference in Cherokee, North Carolina



Annual Report – Leadership Training Committee Chair

Date: 3/20/2024

Report Submitted by: LaShone T. Surrency

Position: Leadership Training Committee Chair

Activities/Achievements:

Since the 2023 District Three Conference in Jacksonville, FL I have performed the following activities:

- Met with former District Three Leadership Committee Chair Joanne M Brown of Club
 Monticello, FL for a Q/A chat, that will assist in the intentional and purposeful planning to
 heighten awareness of the impact Leadership Training can have to boost morale and strengthen
 club membership and enhance the skillset of those that desire to become leaders within Altrusa
 and/or community.
- Communicated with Altrusa International Leadership Representative Kristi Burnett regarding the Leadership Workshops at the convention.
- Drafted an Introduction email to all Club Presidents and/or Club Leadership Contacts listed in Club Tally regarding the positive impact "Leadership Training" can have on membership; and shared the name/contact information of leadership chairs associated with their club.
- Held a meeting with the Leadership Chair, Debbie Griffin of Lake City, FL Club to share impactful ideas and activities conducive to empowering, motivating, and encouraging new & existing members throughout the biennium and beyond.
- Reviewed the President's Workshop and worked with the Former International President Folley to prepare to facilitate in April 2024 at District Three Conference in Atlanta.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

None currently.

Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:

Planning a Virtual Leadership Happy Hour/Chat Forum approved by the Board. Seeking panelists to participate. If scheduling permits, projected date prior to the April 25 - 27, 2024 71st Annual District Three Conference.



Date: March 25, 2024

Report Submitted by: Colleen Duris / Susy Meier

Position: District Three Program Coordinators

Activities/Achievements:

- Developed plan for dividing Program Coordinator responsibilities between us.
- Developed preliminary budget for 2024 District Conference in Atlanta.
- Met monthly together initially since the 2023 Conference and then monthly with 2024 District Conference Co-Chairs for preliminary planning.
- Working through plans for 2024 Conference with hotel including audio visual needs & expenses.
- Made the Board hotel reservations for the 2023 mid-year meeting and 2024 Conference.
- Attended Conference budget meeting with District Board of Directors.
- After narrowing selection down, visited potential 2026 conference sites in South Carolina with Governor Dimple and Governor Elect Mantha.
- Worked with Conference Direct on contract for South Carolina conference.
- Worked with Encore for audio/visual contract for Atlanta conference.
- Follow up with Atlanta Marriott Buckhead conference personnel regarding matters related to 2024 conference.
- Contacted speakers for conference, Dr. Kantrice Rose and Kent Julian. Followed up with contract for Kent Julian to present at 2024 conference.
- Worked with Conference Direct to schedule a site visit to Cherokee, NC (2025 conference site).
 Completed site visit with Governor Dimple, Governor Elect Mantha and conference co-chairs,
 Christy Bryant and Julie Keiper.
- Attended monthly planning sessions with conference committee. Assisted all parties with plans for the conference. Distributed updated planning template to all involved monthly.
- Reached out to club presidents regarding hosting meals at conference.
- Assisted with Conference program.
- Reached out to the International President to confirm 2027 conference dates. Began discussions
 on site choices with Governor and Governor Elect.
- Prepared materials for Call to Conference DSB, notice to membership to encourage attendance at conference. Sent out blast email to all members as a marketing effort for Conference.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

None at this time.

Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:

- Continue 2024 Conference planning and wrap up any open items.
- After Conference, analyze member survey results and advise Board.
- Begin 2025 Conference planning.

Dee Dugger Service Program Development Annual Committee Report: March 2024

Since the 2024 District Three mid-year meeting held in October 2023 in Atlanta, GA. I have performed the following activities:]

- Contacted clubs about Make a Difference Day projects. Encouraged clubs to do a project and also to submit an article for the DSB.
- Encourage clubs to write a small article for DSB so they can showcase themselves or a specific project.
- Together with Mary Kirley, conference 2024 co-chair, we have reviewed and selected a hands-on project for the conference. We will be partnering with Adventure bags, to ck backpacks for children in foster care or need emergency care with Child Services. We will be packing approximately 100 bags during a conference workshop.
- Reached out to clubs to inquire about involvement and support for Days for Girls.
- Co-authored with mary kirley a 'call to conference' article for Winter DSB.
- Respectfully Submitted,

Service Program Development Committee

Gainesville, FL

Dee Dugger



Date: March 25, 2024

Report Submitted by: Susy Meier

Position: District Three Webmaster

Activities/Achievements:

- Update of website for the new biennium after 2023 Conference, including working with the Governor and District Three Foundation Board Chair to make all updates to both Board sites. Worked with new District Committee Chairs to update their sections.
- Revamped the Foundation page with the assistance of the Foundation Chair and Board Members.
- Routine maintenance and updating of current District Three Website, including adding district
 publications like the District Service Bulletins and Governor Dimple's newsletters. Updates for
 important items like the District Bylaws, Award Applications, and related information.
- Added Conference information to the website for the 2024 District Three Conference including Conference Chairs, location, registration information, QR code for Saturday Free Time.
- Created web page for the District Three Virtual Club.
- I continue to update and refine the new District Three Website and provide assistance and guidance as a resource to all district club webmasters and club leadership regarding questions about their websites. This has included helping club webmasters for at least two clubs to get their pages updated.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

• None.

Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:

• Continue maintenance of the existing site and begin work with my successor for the next biennium.



District Committee Chair Report: April 2024

Date: April 23, 2024
Report Submitted by: Pat Janke
Position: DSB Editor
Activities/Achievements:
Continuing the work of publishing the DSB
Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board: none
Upcoming Activities/Work Plan:
Getting out the next issue of the DSB with results of District Conference.



April 23, 2023

Lucy Montford

New Club Building Committee

As the New Club Building Committee Chair, I have performed the following activities:

- Discussed the committee with Governor Dimple Overstreet.
- Wrote an article for the Fall 2023 District Service Bulletin.
- Emailed each President in District Three encouraging them to look for possible interest in starting new clubs.
- Nothing new to report

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Montford Altrusa International District Three, Inc. New Club Building Committee Chair



District Committee Chair Report: April 2024

Date: April 23, 2024

Report Submitted by: Rosemary Leake

Position: District Membership Chair

Activities/Achievements:

- Sent emails to new members in District Three welcoming them to Altrusa.
- My committee and myself have planned District three Fun Night.

Recommendations/Issues to be considered by the Board:

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Leake Altrusa International District Three, Inc. Membership Committee Chair