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HAPPY NEW YEAR



Happy New Year to all Altrusans and their families. With the new year there are many things to be thankful for. Let's always remember that you are one of a wonderful group of caring members that give of their time, talents, and love for each other. Special people like you make every day great. If your club is thinking of trying something new maybe this is the year to do it. Why not give it a go?

Let's begin the new year by being proud of what your club has accomplished. Share with the clubs some of the things that your club has done by submitting an article to the DSB. DSB articles are due January 15, 2025. Review the list of awards applications on the District Three website: <https://districtthree.altrusa.org/district-three-award/>. The due date is January 31, 2025. Submit District Three Awards to Nancy Shumaker; email: vicegovernordistrictthree@gmail.com. Submit District Three Foundation Awards to Traci Jones; email: district3foundationawards@gmail.com; and submit District Three Foundation Grants to Yolander Hunter; email: district3foundationgrants@gmail.com. Wishing you the best.

Let's welcome the new year and all that it brings. Each day will be the best and better than the day before. My wish for you this new year is days of laughter, love, and peace in your heart.

Wishing you and yours a Happy New Year!
Altrusa Love,
Dimple



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2023-2025 BIENNIUM GOALS

LEADERSHIP

Submit a club strategic plan to the District Governor.

SERVICE

Bragging time for the club to submit at least two (2) articles to the DSB.

MEMBERSHIP


Happiness is four (4) new members during the biennium.

PRINCIPLES OF ALTRUSA

1. Altrusa is a builder of women.
2. Altrusa is an expression of the search for the best in character, in business, and in citizenship.
3. Election to Altrusa is an evidence of confidence which imposes upon the recipient the obligation to strive to be true to the highest standards of life in her personal and business relations.
4. Altrusa in the very derivation of her name is committed to the philosophy of unselfishness, of the joy of giving rather than getting, and to the search for that happiness which is based upon spiritual worthiness.
5. Altrusa is practical idealism. Its service consists, not in saying great things, but in the daily earnest practice of its principles.
6. Altrusa commends to its members an active interest in public affairs, realizing that the State is but the individual writ large.
7. Altrusa develops true leadership, concerned with accomplishment and not with recognition.
8. Membership carries with it no obligation to transact business with other members. It makes no promise of returns in any commercial specie. Its rewards are in proportion to the loyalty, the unselfishness and character of the member herself, and the coin of the realm cannot equal its value.
9. Altrusa expresses good will for all mankind. It emphasizes the good and lets the evil sink into the oblivion it merits.
10. Altrusa is democratic; it knows no class, no favorites, but is founded upon merit alone.
11. 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.
12. Altrusa believes it is not enough to be good; Altrusa must be good for some thing. Each member must be doing the piece of work that is hers in a way that puts her in the front ranks of accomplishment.

The Altrusa Tradition

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF ACTIVE MEMBERS?

Active members are the heart of every Altrusa Club. They share their expertise and resources to effectively plan and execute community service programs and stage successful fundraising projects to financially support these programs. 

Active members automatically serve on Committees and are encouraged to enhance leadership skills by serving the association in a series of Committee Chair and Officer positions on the Club, District and International levels.

Altrusa International Encyclopedia



Madam Spoon's Challenge

Find all 5 GOLD spoons in this month's newsletter. Happy hunting 😊



District Three Altrusa Seeks Sponsors For The 72nd Annual District Three Conference

District Three Altrusa is excited to announce the upcoming 72nd Annual District Three Conference, scheduled to take place from April 24 to 26, 2025, at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort in Cherokee, North Carolina. This year's theme, "Elevate and Innovate," promises to inspire attendees with fresh ideas and innovative approaches to community service and leadership.

Join us as a sponsor for this significant event! Sponsorship provides a valuable opportunity to boost your business's visibility and connect with community leaders, service-minded individuals, and fellow Altrusa members.

All donations of any size are welcomed. Please make checks payable to Altrusa District Three Altrusa and mail them to Scott Freiser, Treasurer, 13212 Providence Green Ct, Charlotte, NC 28277.

As we prepare for this event, we invite local businesses and organizations to consider becoming sponsors. Sponsorship offers a unique opportunity to enhance your business's visibility and connect with a diverse audience.

Reasons to Become a Sponsor:

1. *Brand Exposure:* Your business logo will be prominently featured in the Conference Program, ensuring that all attendees recognize your support for Altrusa and its mission.
2. *On-Site Promotion:* Sponsors will have their logos displayed on a prominent board at the conference venue, ensuring visibility to all attendees. This opportunity allows for brand recognition and fosters valuable connections with participants throughout the event.
3. *Social Media Recognition:* We will showcase your business on our social media platforms, reaching a broader audience and enhancing your brand's online presence.



By sponsoring the District Three Conference, you not only contribute to the success of this inspiring event but also elevate your business's profile within the community. Join us in making this conference a memorable experience for all attendees while showcasing your commitment to community service and innovation.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Governor Dimple Overstreet at 904-964-6768 or governordimple@gmail.com. Together, let's elevate and innovate for a brighter future!

Sincerely,

Mantha Young
District Three Liaison



ELEVATE AND INNOVATE



72nd District Conference Sponsorships Available

Elevate and Innovate: Become a Sponsor for Our Conference!

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APRIL 24-26, 2025



Brand Exposure

On-Site Promotion

Social Media Recognition

WHY BE A SPONSOR?

You not only contribute to the success of our conference but also elevate your business's profile within the Altrusa community. Join us in making this conference a memorable experience for all attendees while showcasing your commitment to community service and innovation. All donations, big or small, are welcomed!

**Make Checks Payable to Altrusa District Three and Mail to:
Scott Frieser, Treasurer | 13212 Providence Green Ct | Charlotte, NC 28277**

REMINDERS/NEWS

2025 District Three Conference
April 24-26, 2025
Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, Cherokee North Carolina



2025 International Convention
July 23-26, 2025
Quebec City, Quebec Canada
Don't forget to get your passport ready



**Do You Have a Concern,
Caring Thought, Request,
Congrats, or Suggestions?**

Send To:
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DSB Articles
Send To Both:

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Please send in WORD format

UPDATE GROUP TALLY

REMEMEBER to please update all of your membership changes and additions in Group Tally.

MAIL DISTRICT DUES TO:

Pay District Dues via Group Tally instead of sending them to Treasurer Scott Frieser.

PAY INTERNATIONAL DUES:

Preferably on Group Tally
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Des Plaines, IL 60018



JAN. 2025	TOPIC	WHO	RESPONSIBLE	NOTES
01/01/25	Governor's Newsletter	23-25 Governor	Governor	
1/25 TBD	Slate of candidates submitted to International Board of Directors (two weeks prior to meeting)	Int. Nominating Committee	Int. Nominating Committee Chair	
01/01/25	First week in January, ASTRA scholarship applications available	Local Club	ASTRA member Altrusa Advisor	Due to Int'l ASTRA Chair by March 15
01/01/25	Elect Club Nominating Committee	Local Club		
01/01/25	Club Presidents prepare for District Awards entries	Local Club		Review criteria before submissions
01/01/25	BRR requests due from Clubs to District BRR Chair	Local Club	District BRR Chair	Required 90 days before District Conference
01/01/25	Invite ASTRA participation at District Conference	Governor	District ASTRA Chair	
01/25 TBD	International Board of Directors meeting (slate of candidates reviewed and verified)	Int. Board of Directors		
01/01/25	Copies of Nomination forms and photos to DSB Editor	Int Nominating Committee	DSB Editor	
01/15/25	District Service Bulletin articles due	Dist. Board, Comm. Chairs	DSB Editor	
01/31/25	District Awards submission deadline	Local Club	Awards Coordinator	Dates can vary
01/31/25	Consider making a contribution to the Foundation's Disaster Relief Fund	Local Club		
01/31/25	District Service Bulletin and Governor's Call to Conference e-mailing	DSB Editor		
FEB. 2025	TOPIC	WHO	RESPONSIBLE	NOTES
02/01/25	Governor's newsletter	23-25 Governor	Governor	
02/01/25	ASTRA Service Award	Local Club	ASTRA Member Altrusa Advisor	Due March 1
02/01/25	Request for Conference Delegate/Alternate names sent to Club President	Local Club	District Treasurer	
02/01/25	Advise Treasurer candidates to bring bank resolutions and signature cards to post Conference Board meeting	Governor		
02/01/25	Conference fee invoice sent to Club Treasurer	Local Club	District Treasurer	Make sure letter tells number of members, number of delegates, total fee, and that fee must be paid even if no Delegates sent.
02/15/25	Club Nominating Committee presents a slate of candidates to membership	Local Club		
02/15/25	Conference Delegate fee due to District Treasurer	Local Club	District Treasurer	Due Feb. 28 - only if applicable in your District.
02/15/25	Elect Delegates and Alternates for District Conference	Local Club		Number of Conference Delegates and Alternates determined by number of active members recorded as of 1/31; 1 per 15 of portion thereof
				
02/15/25	Notify Club Treasurer and Club President, by email if possible, of any unpaid Conference fees	Local Club	District Treasurer	Copy to Governor
02/20/25	World Day of Social Justice	Local Club		
02/28/25	Close books for District	District Treasurer		Only if applicable in your District

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Altrusans are volunteers willing to serve to make our communities better.

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Governor	Dimple Overstreet	Orlando-Winter Park, Raleigh, Salisbury, Spartanburg
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Blessings to you in the New Year

*May peace fill your world,
May love fill your home
With contentment and happiness, too –
In wonderful ways
May this year of new days
Be filled with sweet Blessings for you.*

Happy New Year