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A Message from the Immediate Past Governor's With a Heart Full of Gratitude

What a profound honor it has been to serve as your District Three Governor. These past two years have been a journey unlike any other—full of growth, change, and the unwavering spirit of service that defines Altrusa. I am deeply inspired by the dedication, passion, and generosity of our leaders at every level.

Our Conference Planning Team, District Board, and Committee Chairs poured their hearts into every detail, and their efforts did not go unnoticed. And behind the scenes, our unsung heroes quietly kept everything running smoothly. To each of you—thank you. You are the lifeblood of this organization.

As we step into a new biennium, let us take a moment to celebrate all that your clubs have achieved. Be proud. The impact you've made is real and far-reaching. And now, with open hearts, let us welcome all the opportunities that lie ahead.

To every Altrusan who has given their time, their energy, and their love in service to others—you are the reason our mission thrives. Your kindness makes a difference in more ways than you know.

With the passing of the gavel, we welcome new leadership and a fresh chapter for District Three. I am deeply grateful to those who have stepped forward to serve on the District Board, as Committee Chairs, or as leaders in your clubs. Your commitment is a beacon of hope and strength.



Dimple Overstreet

A new biennium brings new beginnings. May it inspire each of us to seek new ways to serve, to connect, and to uplift. Always remember—you are part of an extraordinary community of compassionate members who share their gifts with one another and with the world.

It has been a humbling and joy-filled experience to serve you. Your support, encouragement, and friendship have meant everything to me.

With heartfelt thanks and Altrusa hugs,

Dimple Overstreet

Immediate Past Governor, District Three

*Serving
Up
Service*



ALTRUSA International District Three

Incoming Governor Message

Altrusa International District Three – 2025-2027 Biennium



Mantha Young
Governor
2025-2027

Dear Altrusa Friends,

What a *buzz-worthy* time we had at our District Three Conference in Cherokee, NC! It was a joy to gather with so many dedicated Altrusans and to celebrate the heart of our organization—*service, leadership, and fellowship*. Thank you to Colleen Duris and Susy Meier for your unwavering leadership in planning such a meaningful weekend. Special thanks also to Christy Bryant and Julie Keiper, our fabulous Conference Co-Chairs, for bringing everything together so beautifully. And let's not forget the warm and wonderful Welcome Reception hosted by Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC, and Waynesville, NC—the food was delicious, and the company even better!

As your newly installed Governor, I am honored to serve District Three under the theme: “**BEE Essential.**” Like bees in a hive, every one of you plays an essential role in keeping our Altrusa family thriving. This summer and throughout the biennium, let's remember that our collective impact grows stronger when we work together.

Presidents, please *bee* on the lookout for an email invitation to a special Zoom gathering. I'd love for us to meet, share ideas, and build connections across clubs—because when we know each other better, we grow stronger together.

Also, mark your calendars for **Altrusa International Convention**, happening July 23–26 in beautiful Quebec City, Canada! I hope to see many of you there for inspiration, friendship, and a little international flair.

As you enjoy the sunshine and slower pace of summer, may this quote inspire you:

“The hum of bees is the voice of the garden.” – Elizabeth Lawrence

Thank you for all you do to make our District thrive. Let's make this biennium *buzz with purpose*!

In Service and Friendship,

Mantha Young

Governor, Altrusa District Three





Club Annual Report

By Mantha Young, Incoming Governor District Three



Mantha Young

It's Time for the Club Annual Report!

The 2024–2025 Club Annual Report will open on March 14, 2025, and is **due by June 15, 2025**. This short survey—completed in Survey Monkey—helps our District and International leaders better understand club activities and how we can support you. It's also a great way for your club to reflect on accomplishments and gather new ideas!



Want to be a 2025 Distinguished Club?

Clubs must score at least 65% and hold charter status to earn this recognition.



Service Hours Reminder:

Be sure to count all volunteer hours where members represented Altrusa—whether at club projects, fundraisers, or in the community while proudly wearing your Altrusa pin or promoting our mission. Don't forget leadership hours at the club, District, or International levels.



Presidents:

Please connect with your treasurer and committee chairs to gather answers to the “read-only” questions in advance. With everything ready, the survey should only take a few minutes to submit!

Let's keep up the amazing work—your service matters and makes a difference!



Presidents Workshop

By Mantha Young, Incoming Governor District Three



President's Training Moves to Zoom for Greater Accessibility and Flexibility

Altrusa District Three is excited to announce that President's Training will now be held virtually via Zoom. This shift allows us to better accommodate the busy schedules of our club leaders while ensuring consistent and convenient access to valuable leadership training. Watch for your invitation via email.

By moving to Zoom, we can reach more members across our District, eliminate the need for travel, and offer sessions that are interactive, informative, and easy to join from the comfort of your home. Whether you're a first-time President or returning for another term, these sessions are designed to empower you with the tools and confidence needed to lead effectively.

We look forward to seeing you online and growing together as we continue to serve our communities with purpose and passion.





District and International 2025 Award Winners



By Nancy Shumaker, District Three Governor-Elect, Statesboro, GA

Our District Three clubs showed a tremendous spirit for service during the 2024-2025 Altrusa year. It is a pleasure and an honor to recognize the clubs who applied for awards this year for their commitment to community service. We all know they reflect the work done across the District by all our members. 15 clubs submitted a total of 56 applications for the District and International Awards

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES – 25 YEARS

Mary Kane, Atlanta, GA
Heather Gray, Lake City, FL
Millie Cress, Salisbury, NC
Mildred Finch, Spartanburg, SC
Jane Johnson, Spartanburg, SC
Gayle Magruder, Spartanburg, SC
Linda Arnold, Waynesville, NC
Mary Millar, Waynesville, NC
Linda Plott, Waynesville, NC
Marty Prevost, Waynesville, NC



Nancy Shumaker

SPONSOR PIN RECIPIENTS

Bennye Alligood, Gainesville, FL
Cherise Bartley, Gainesville, FL
Kimberly Browne, Gainesville, FL
Carolyn Harrell, Gainesville, FL
Nancy Kirkland, Gainesville, FL
Donna Pitts, Gainesville, FL
Joan Suchorski, Gainesville, FL
Fran M. Vandiver, Gainesville, FL
Bailey Durelle, Lake City, FL
Rebecca Golden, Lake City, FL
Karen Green, Lake City, FL
Debra Griffin, Lake City, FL
Lori G. Simpson, Lake City, FL
Carol Lukeman, Lake County, FL
Anita Valdez, Lake County, FL
Ann Jones, Marianna, FL

Julia Ford, North Georgia, GA
Becky Hitch, North Georgia, GA
Cathy Lipari, North Georgia, GA
Kathryn J. McDonald, North Georgia, GA
Brenda L. Ford, Ocala, FL
Helen McDavid, Ocala, FL
Michelle Cuomo, Orlando/Winter Park, FL
Roberta Klusmeier, Orlando/W. Park, FL
Carole Khoury, Spartanburg, SC
Pam Lavender, Statesboro, GA
Shelly Bowen, Starke, FL
Sarah Long, Starke, FL
Sylvia Reddish, Starke, FL
Joy Johnson, Waynesville, NC
Mary M. Millar, Waynesville, NC

ERNESTINE MILNER PROGRAM EXCELLENCE AWARD

There were eight (8) entries for this award.

Third Place: Altrusa International of Starke, FL
(186 points)
Second Place: Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
(191 points)
First Place: Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL
(194 points)

NEWSLETTER AWARD

There were eight (8) entries for this award.

Third Place: Altrusa International of Ocala, FL
(226 points)
Second Place: Altrusa International District Three Club
(244 points)
First Place: Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
(245 points)



District and International 2025 Award Winners

Continued.....



By Nancy Shumaker, District Three Governor-Elect, Statesboro, GA

OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

There were ten (10) entries for this award; they all met the criteria:

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 Statesboro, GA
 Altrusa International of St. Augustine, FL

The following is based only on the ten submissions:

Total volunteer hours: 12,391
 Total Funds Donated or Spent by Clubs: \$170,985

Club with the most community service hours:
Altrusa International of Lake City, FL: 2,355

Club with the most community service hours per member:
Altrusa International of St. Augustine, FL: 99

Club with the highest community service dollars:
Altrusa International of Lake City, FL: \$49,122

TODD JORDAN YEARBOOK SUBMISSIONS

There were eight (8) entries for this award; they all met the criteria.

Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC
 Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
 Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
 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 Statesboro, GA

MYRTICE H. PRICE MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Third Place: Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC (13.8%)

Second Place: A two-way tie with a net gain of (20%):
 Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
 Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC

First Place: Altrusa International District Three Virtual Club (62.5%)

GREATEST NET GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP

Third Place: A three-way tie with a net gain of three (3) members:

Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL
 Altrusa International of Live Oak, FL
 Altrusa International of Marianna, FL
 Altrusa International of Ocala, FL
 Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC

Second Place: A tie with a net gain of four (4) members:

Altrusa International of Lake County, FL
 Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC

First Place: Altrusa International District Three Virtual Club (5 members)

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE CREDIT AWARD

The following clubs each received \$25 for a net gain of between 3-5 members:

Altrusa International District Three Virtual Club (5 members)
 Altrusa International of Lake County, FL (4 members)
 Altrusa International of Spartanburg, SC (4 members)
 Altrusa International of Gainesville, FL (3 members)
 Altrusa International of Live Oak, FL (3 members)
 Altrusa International of Marianna, FL (3 members)
 Altrusa International of Ocala, FL (3 members)
 Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC (3 members)



District and International 2025 Award Winners Continued.....



By Nancy Shumaker, District Three Governor-Elect, Statesboro, GA

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

First place winners will be sent to international competition. The winners will be announced during the next International Convention July 23-26, 2025 in Quebec City, Quebec, Canada.

LETHA H. BROWN LITERACY AWARD

There were six (6) entries for this award:

Third Place: Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
(387 points)
Project: "Lending Libraries"

Second Place: Altrusa International of Ocala, FL
(388 points)
Project: "Investing in our Teachers"

First Place: Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC
(394 points)
Project: "Banishing Book Deserts"

MAMIE L. BASS SERVICE AWARD

There were ten (10) entries for this award:

Third Place: Altrusa International
of St. Augustine, FL
(258 points)
Project: "Birthdays are so Special!"

Second Place: Two-way tie:
Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
(260 points)
Project: "Bright Shiny Faces"

Altrusa International of Orlando/Winter Park, FL
(260 points)
Project: "Unseen Kindness"

First Place: Altrusa International of Starke, FL
(266 points)
Project: "Teddy Bear Comfort Bags"

DR. NINA FAY CALHOUN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AWARD

There were five (5) entries for this award:

Third Place: Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
(288 points)
Project: "Tools for Success in Jamaica"

Second Place: Altrusa International of Starke, FL
(289 points)
Project: "Operation Christmas Shoebox"

First Place: Altrusa International of North
Georgia, GA
(298 points)
Project: "Period Positivity"

GOVERNOR'S OUTSTANDING CLUB AWARD

This award is presented to clubs exemplifying the criteria established by the current District Three Governor for recognition as an outstanding club. There were seventeen (17) entries for this award.

Third Place: Altrusa International of Starke, FL (347 points)

Second Place: Altrusa International of Lake City, FL
(349 points)

First Place: Altrusa International of Charlotte, NC
(354 points)

Altrusa International District Three, Inc.

Membership Report

By Scott Frieser
District Three Treasurer

Altrusa International District Three, Inc.				
Membership Report as of May 15, 2025				
Club	Paid Members	Emeritus	Lifetime	Total Members
Florida				
1 Citrus County	14			14
2 Gainesville	48	7		55
3 Lake City	83	6		89
4 Lake County	26			26
5 Live Oak	31	1		32
6 Marianna	26			26
7 Monticello	24	2		26
8 Ocala	30	3		33
9 Orlando-Winter Park	35	1		36
10 St. Augustine	13			13
11 Starke	41	2	1	44
Total FL	371	22	1	394
Georgia				
1 Atlanta	5			5
2 North Georgia	43	3		46
3 Statesboro	48	3		51
Total GA	96	6	0	102
North Carolina				
1 Charlotte	22	2		24
2 Gastonia	10	1		11
3 Raleigh	15	1	1	17
4 Salisbury	8	1		9
5 Waynesville	15			15
Total NC	70	5	1	76
South Carolina				
1 Gaffney	0			0
2 Spartanburg	30	3		33
Total SC	30	3	0	33
Report Summary:				
Affiliate Virtual Club - Chartered	13			
Affiliate Members	1			
Emeritus No Club Affiliation	3			
Active Members			580	
Emeritus Members		39		
Lifetime Members			2	
Affiliate Members			1	
Total Membership			622	



Scott Frieser



District Three New Members

By Scott Frieser
District Three Treasurer



Altrusa International District Three, Inc.		
New Members January 15, 2025 - May 15, 2025		
		
New Member	Sponsor	Joined
Charlotte		
Savannah Drumm	Jennifer Drumm	April
Vanessa McCoy	Christy Bryant	April
Lake County		
Cathy Keller	Nanci Schwartz/Pat Mueller	March
Lake City		
Tammy Magstadt	Rebecca Golden/Abby Stalvey	March
Shauna Adams	Debra Griffin/Rebecca Golden	March
Virginia McCall	Jill Adams/Lindsey Covington	April
Christy Milligan	Abby Stalvey/Gigi Register	April
Cassidy Morgan	Lindsey Covington/Jill Adams	April
Live Oak		
Michelle Morris	Roni Hayes	May
North Georgia		
Linda Chambers	Julie Ford	April
Julia Cox	Cathy Lipari	April
Siv Keyser	Becky Hitch	April
Michele Whaley	Mary Kirley	April
Sue Ellen Williams	Becky Hitch	April
Ocala		
Anita Winter	Becky Long/Brenda Ford	April
Starke		
Misty Dubose	Dimple Overstreet/Amanda Seyfang	May
Statesboro		
Lauren West	Carrie Binns	February
Lauren Strickland	Karen Lavender/Jill Nevil	April



Scott Frieser



District Three 2025 Conference Treasurers' Workshop



By Scott Frieser
District Three Treasurer



Scott Frieser

[Presentation can be viewed here](#)

Treasurers Calendar



APRIL/MAY

☐ Work with outgoing Treasurer to coordinate dues collection and payments.

JUNE

☐ **June 1:** Dues for the year must be paid.

☐ **June 15:** Deadline for dues submission. Payments not postmarked by this date subject to \$5 late fee per member.

JULY

☐ **July 10:** All dues must be paid. Unpaid members after this date are dropped from database. Dues after this date are subject to \$10 reinstatement fee.

OCTOBER

☐ Foundation Grants Program month, send in your Club donations.

☐ US Clubs with gross receipts under \$50,000 must file 990N with the IRS and regular 990 with gross receipts over \$50,000.

DECEMBER

☐ **December 1:** International Half-Year (half-price) dues go into effect for new members and remain in effect until March 31 to encourage new members to join.

MARCH

☐ **March 31:** is the last day for International Half-Year Dues.

☐ Half-Year Dues are applied to the current year's membership. New members will be billed the full dues amount for the following year.

APRIL

☐ New members paying dues between April 1 and May 31 receive full membership for the remainder of the fiscal year **and the following year.**

☐ Send contribution to Foundation.

☐ Work with incoming Treasurer.

This is in the TREASURERS GUIDE on the International Website



District Three Approved Budget

By Scott Frieser
District Three Treasurer



	Mar '24 - Feb 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	2025-2026 Budget	
Income					(Official)	
4000 - DUES INCOME					13,500.00	Based on 540
4010 - RENEWING MEMBERS	13,337.50	14,125.00	-787.50	94.43%	125.00	Based on 10
4015 - RENEWING YOUNG PROFESSIONALS	125.00	62.50	62.50	200.0%	750.00	Based on 30
4020 - NEW MEMBERS (FULL)	900.00	625.00	275.00	144.0%	125.00	Based on 10
4030 - NEW MEMBERS (HALF YEAR)	75.00	125.00	-50.00	60.0%	37.50	Based on 3
4035 - NEW YOUNG PROFESSIONALS	37.50	25.00	12.50	150.0%	25.00	Based on 1
4040 - AFFILIATES	25.00	50.00	-25.00	50.0%		
Total 4000 - DUES INCOME	14,500.00	15,612.50	-512.50	96.59%	14,562.50	
4100 - LATE FEES INCOME	15.00	32.50	-17.50	46.15%		
4110 - INTEREST INCOME	33.25					
4120 - DIVIDEND INCOME	1,750.78	600.00	1,150.78	291.8%	1,500.00	
4200 - CONFERENCE INCOME						
4220 - CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES	16,855.00					
4230 - CONFERENCE GUEST MEALS	640.00					
4250 - CONFERENCE VENDOR FEES	450.00					
4280 - CONFERENCE ALTRUSA STORE SALES	601.14					
4262 - Conference T-Shirt Sales	630.00					
4270 - CONFERENCE DONATIONS	3,752.36					
4280 - CONFERENCE REG LATE FEES	80.00					
Total 4200 - CONFERENCE INCOME	23,008.50					
4350 - GAIN/LOSS OF ASSET SALE						
4351 - LT CAPITAL GAIN	6,796.00					
4352 - ST CAPITAL GAIN	118.67					
Total 4350 - GAIN/LOSS OF ASSET SALE	6,914.67					
4600 - TRANSFR UNRESERVED FUNDS	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00	0.0%	3,500.00	
4700 - TRANSFR CONF INC RESERVED	2,472.74	3,000.00	-527.26	82.43%	3,000.00	
4800 - BH Fund Reserved	80.00		80.00	100.0%	1,680.00	
4850 - Trans KM ASTRA Fund Reserved	150.00	1,200.00	-1,050.00	12.5%	1,050.00	
Total Income	48,925.14	23,345.00	25,580.14	208.57%	25,315.00	
Expense						
6000 - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION EXP.					3,150.00	
6005 - INTERNATIONAL DUES	0.00					
6070 - NEW CLUB BUILDING EXPENSE	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%	300.00	
6080 - NEW CLUB BLDG INCENTIVES POL.	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%	200.00	
6090 - CLUB REVITALIZATION	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%	500.00	
6100 - CONFERENCE EXPENSE						
6105 - BOARD MANDATED LODGING	3,934.78					
6110 - CONFERENCE MEALS	16,290.35					
6115 - AUDIO/VISUAL/MICROPHONES	4,734.46					
6120 - ENTERTAINMENT	2,505.63					
6125 - DECORATIONS AND FLOWERS	77.26					
6130 - PRINTING AND SUPPLIES (Program)	390.03					
6135 - REGISTRATION KITS/BAGS	152.97					
6140 - HOST CLUBS COST REIMBURSEMENT	260.07					
6145 - ALTRUSA STORE INVENTORY COST	550.53					
6150 - CONFERENCE DELEGATE FEES EXP	315.00					
6155 - MISCELLANEOUS CONFERENCE COSTS	1,506.28					
Total 6100 - CONFERENCE EXPENSE	30,725.48					



District Three Approved Budget

By Scott Frieser
District Three Treasurer



6180 • CONF. PROGRAM COORDINATOR	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%	1,500.00
6190 • TRANS TO CONFERENCE BUDGET	2,472.74	3,000.00	-527.26	82.43%	3,000.00
6195 • MEMBERSHIP INCENT CONF AWARDS	150.00	250.00	-100.00	60.0%	250.00
6197 • MYRTICE PRICE AWARD EXPENSE	200.00	100.00	100.00	200.0%	250.00
6200 • BOARD TRAVEL MEETING EXPENSE					
6210 • MEETING MILEAGE/AIRFARE	2,580.57				
6215 • MEETING HOTEL RM CHARGE	907.52				
6220 • MEETING MEALS	550.31				
6200 • BOARD TRAVEL MEETING EXPENSE - Other	0.00	6,750.00	-6,750.00	0.0%	
Total 6200 • BOARD TRAVEL MEETING EXPENSE	4,038.40	6,750.00	-2,711.60	59.83%	5,875.00
6250 • BOARD TRAVEL EXPENSE/Non Meet					
6255 • MILEAGE/AIRFARE	2,354.59				
6260 • HOTEL	216.26				
6265 • MEALS	52.10				
6250 • BOARD TRAVEL EXPENSE/Non Meet - Other	0.00	4,500.00	-4,500.00	0.0%	
Total 6250 • BOARD TRAVEL EXPENSE/Non Meet	2,622.95	4,500.00	-1,877.05	58.29%	4,000.00
6275 • PAST GOVERNORS COUNCIL LUNCHEON	522.72	400.00	122.72	130.68%	500.00
6300 • GOVERNOR ELECT TRAINING	850.00	850.00	0.00	100.0%	
6450 • CONFERENCE RIBBONS EXPENSE	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%	100.00
6500 • GOVERNOR EXPENSE	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%	150.00
6515 • AWARDS RECOGNITION EXPENSE	117.43	300.00	-182.57	39.14%	300.00
6520 • POSTAGE EXPENSE	0.00	60.00	-60.00	0.0%	80.00
6530 • PRINTING/COPYING EXPENSE	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%	100.00
6550 • OPERATING SUPPLIES	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%	70.00
6560 • INSURANCE					600.00
6700 • TREASURER'S COSTS EXPENSE					
6710 • Group Tally Fee	12.50				
6700 • TREASURER'S COSTS EXPENSE - Other	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%	450.00
Total 6700 • TREASURER'S COSTS EXPENSE	12.50	100.00	-87.50	12.5%	
6800 • Digital Operating Expense					
6803 • Treasurer's Dropbox Expense	119.88				
6800 • Digital Operating Expense - Other	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.0%	
Total 6800 • Digital Operating Expense	119.88	125.00	-5.12	95.9%	125.00
6850 • CLUB BANNER	0.00	175.00	-175.00	0.0%	175.00
6900 • CLUB 21	210.00	210.00	0.00	100.0%	210.00
6950 • BIG HEART FUND - Expense	80.00	1,725.00	-1,645.00	4.64%	1,680.00
6975 • KM ASTRA GRANT EXPENSE	150.00	1,200.00	-1,050.00	12.5%	1,050.00
7000 • IN MEMORIAM	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0.0%	450.00
9000 • MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%	250.00
Total Expense	42,272.10	23,345.00	18,927.10	181.08%	25,315.00
Net Income	6,653.04	0.00	6,653.04	100.0%	-



Astra Clubs District Three

By Kitty McElhaney
District Three ASTRA Chair, 2023-2025



During the 2023–2025 biennium, we're excited to share that the number of active ASTRA Clubs in District Three has grown from five to eight! This growth is a testament to the dedication of our members and sponsors.

The three new ASTRA Clubs chartered in this biennium include:

- **Richardson Sixth Grade Academy**, sponsored by Altrusa International Inc. of Lake City, FL
- **St. John's Academy**, sponsored by Altrusa International Inc. of St. Augustine, FL
- **Westport High School**, sponsored by Altrusa International Inc. of Ocala, FL

Thank you to the sponsoring Altrusa Clubs for your commitment to service and youth leadership development!

Friendly Reminder:

It's time to complete your **ASTRA Club Annual Report**. This information is vital for our records and will help us continue to strengthen and expand ASTRA. **Please submit your report by June 1st.**
Survey link: [ASTRA Club Annual Report](#)



Thank you for your continued support of ASTRA!



Kitty McElhaney



Richardson Sixth Grade Academy



ST. JOHN'S
ACADEMY



Westport High School





2024-2025 Altrusa District Three In Memoriam Remembering our departed Altrusans



By Linda Hamedani



Altrusa International of Ocala, Florida
Nancy Jones
Passed May 18, 2024

Nancy was the heart and soul of Altrusa of Ocala. During her time she served as President, held numerous offices and committee chairs, and was elected as an Altrusan of the Year. She gave 110% to the club. Nancy spearheaded their "Eyeglasses to See" program which is now named after her. She was the main collector and distributor of books for many years. She was in charge of our CARE program and always took care of those in need. She encouraged all the members to do their best and lived the life of the philosophy of unselfishness, of the joy of giving rather than getting.



Altrusa International of Ocala, Florida
Sue Dean
Passed October 2, 2024

Sue was an active member, always contributing her time and funds to the Altrusa causes. She served a term as Director for the club, was involved in the service and membership committees, and handled the member's birthday greeting cards for many years. Sue was an attorney, who had a thriving practice with her husband and served her community in a variety of ways.



Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC
Patricia Mary Janke
Passed February 24, 2025

Adopted as a newborn by Dr Lee and Harriet Juhnke and christened as Patricia Mary Juhnke, Pat grew up in Chicago in Des Plaines, Illinois. She worked as a successful employee for Universal Oil Products Company. In 2004, Pat retired after a 37 years career with UOP coordinating their world-wide product distribution and traffic system. Perhaps, the best way to celebrate Pat's life is to think of her every time you raise a glass of (red) zinfandel. CHEERS PAT!



Altrusa International of Orlando, FL
Carol Haliburton
Passed September 1, 2024

Carol joined Altrusa in 1994 and was President of the Orlando-Winter Park club in 2001-2003. She was introduced to Altrusa as an Account Executive of Metropolitan Advertising Company by owner Charlie Rocker who has been contributing to organizations in the area including Altrusa. Born in Cincinnati, Ohio she always performed as a child. Carol attended Eastern Kentucky University with a major in music. She had a successful acting career in film, winning numerous awards. Carol will be truly missed by many who were fortunate to have known her.



Virtual Club
Renee Cobb
passed May 20, 2024

Renee was a dedicated member of the District Three Virtual Club. As a chartering member she played an important role in helping establish the club and set the foundation that we continue to use today. Her commitment to serve and her passion for making a difference will always be remembered.



2024-2025 Altrusa District Three

In Memoriam

Remembering our departed Altrusans Continued...

By Linda Hamedani



Altrusa International of Raleigh, NC

Henri Dawkins

Passed July 9, 2024

Henri was thankful that several members of the Raleigh Club were able to be with her on her 100th birthday in May of 2024. Throughout her long and fulfilling life, Henri dedicated herself to serving through countless hours of volunteering. She served the Civil Air Patrol, Urban ministries, the food bank, Women's Center and many other organizations. Her family and friends will deeply miss her warmth and guidance but know her impact will live on through the lives she touched.



Altrusa International of Lake City, FL

Barbara Thomas

Passed April 7, 2025

Barbara was our club's Altrusan of the Year 2020-2021. She has been an Altrusan since 1998 and faithfully served the club in many ways. She was a "behind the scenes" member, more than happy to have other members be front and center. This carries over to her work at as multiple District Conferences. A respected educator, she had a deep love for reading, travel, the Seminoles and most of all, her grandchildren. Her calm and quiet demeanor was always welcoming to the club.



Remembering former DSB Editor

Pat Janke

By Dimple Overstreet

Former Governor District Three



On February 24, 2025, after bravely fighting a number of long-term medical issues, with her husband by her side.

Adopted as a newborn by Dr. Lee and Harriet Juhnke and christened Patricia Mary Juhnke, Pat grew up in Chicago and Des Plaines, Illinois, attending Catholic grammar school and Maine West High School. As part of the secretarial pool at Universal Oil Products Company, she impressed the engineers with her inquisitive nature, asking probing questions about the letters she was typing. In the late 1970's she was first hourly employee to be promoted to a salaried position, managing UOP's largest volume catalyst line and all of catalyst forecasting. She did so well in this job that many other secretarial alumnae followed her groundbreaking lead. Several promotions followed, and in 2004 Pat ended her 37-year career with UOP coordinating their world-wide product distribution & traffic system. Pat kept excellent records, and was nicknamed "the Source" for anyone who wanted information about the company. She was also secretary and organizer of UOP's 25-Year Club for many years.

Pat met husband Jim Janke at work, because the mailroom frequently mixed up their interoffice mail. They were married in 1981. When they retired to Waynesville, North Carolina in 2004, Pat got involved with several nonprofits, including the REACH board (including 7 years as chairperson), the Altrusa board, and Quick Draw. She enjoyed golfing, entertaining, British murder mysteries, campy movies, and wine.

Pat is survived by her husband of 44 years, Jim; sister Geri Huelskamp (Don); daughter Jennifer Miess (Sims); granddaughter Kathryn Lucinda Miess; and nieces Janet Blose (Lynn) and Jackie Dunn.

Arrangements will be private. Memorials may be sent to REACH of Haywood County or Altrusa International of Waynesville. But perhaps the best way to celebrate Pat's life would be to think of her every time you raise a glass of (red) zinfandel.



2025 District Three Foundation

Grants

By Yolander Hunter



Each year the District Three Foundation encourages clubs to submit grant applications to fund projects in their communities. This year's grant recipient was announced during the Foundation Luncheon at the District Three Conference in Cherokee. Congratulations to this year's recipient Altrusa International of North Georgia. The club was awarded a \$500 grant for their project "Period Positivity".

It's never too early to get started. Do you have a new or on-going project that meets the District Three Foundation Grant's criteria? There is only one way to find out.

Click on <https://districtthree.altrusa.org/district-foundation/>

- Scroll down the page to Grant Programs
- Select Learn More under the Foundation Grant Packet icon
- Carefully review the document
- Complete the cover page, application, budget and narrative details. Be sure to follow all the provided instructions.

Email your completed document to district3foundationgrants@gmail.com no later than January 31, 2026. Winners will be announced at the Foundation Luncheon at the 2026, District Three Conference.



Yolander Hunter



District Three Foundation Awards

By: Traci Jones

District Three Foundation Trustee



The Foundation Board was pleased that 7 clubs submitted 20 applications, which is an increase from 15 submissions last year. The winners this season were:

Cassie S. Dollar Rehabilitative Service Award - To encourage clubs in their service goals to assist individuals or a group of people who need rehabilitative services to enhance their quality of life in a variety of ways.

- **1st Place**-Raleigh, NC-345 Points-Wake County VIPs (Visually Impaired Persons)
- **2nd Place**-Charlotte, NC-341 Points-A Little Bit of Faith
- **3rd Place**-Lake City, FL-317 Points-Full Tummies, Full Attention: Backpack Project



Traci Jones

Wilma B. Hogan Literacy Award - To stimulate an interest in developing active literacy programs in the community to recognize outstanding club achievements in literacy service projects.

- **1st Place**-Charlotte, NC-261 Points-Banishing Book Deserts
- **2nd Place**-Lake County, FL-251 Points-Read to Succeed
- **3rd Place**-Raleigh, NC-229 Points-Multi-Generational Literacy Project

Lucille Spillers Alexander ASTRA Award - To encourage members of local clubs to participate actively in service projects designed to meet specific local needs. The money is to be used by the Club to further their ASTRA service projects. (Submitted to International)

- **1st Place** -Lake City FL-147 Points-RSGA Red Carpet Event

Richard Ward Ulrich Environmental Service Award - To encourage members of local clubs to become personally involved with environmental service projects.

- **1st Place**-Lake County, FL-355 Points-"Bag Recycling"-A Cleaner Future for Florida
- **2nd Place**-Raleigh, NC-351 Points-Engaging Our Community to Recycle Hazardous Waste
- **3rd Place**-Lake City, FL-302 Points-Happy House Garden Revitalization Project

Vocational Services Award - To encourage clubs in their goals of assisting deserving persons who are struggling to break the cycle of poverty through education and training.

- **1st Place**-Spartanburg, SC-383 Points-The Eula Sherman Vocational Scholarship
- **2nd Place**-Lake County, FL-364 Points-Brighter Futures
- **3rd Place**-Gainesville, FL-353 Points-Displaced Homemaker Program

The Foundation Board looks forward to serving you in the next year and to seeing everyone in 2026!

2025 District Three Conference Service Project

By Dee Dugger
Service Program Coordinator



Dee Dugger

In one of our final acts of 'Serving up Service,' Altrusans gathered to complete our service project. This year, we partnered with Mountain Projects of Waynesville. Mountain projects are helping families who lost their homes to the floods from Hurricane Helene last fall. A heartfelt thank you to the Waynesville Club for providing information about the agency and to Mary Millar, who volunteered to receive and sort all the shipped donations. In addition, thanks to Lisa Ferguson, who transported more than 14 boxes of donated items to the hotel. We can't do what we do without the generous contributions of the clubs and individuals who donated items, funds, cookbooks, and handmade items. Thank you to the Starke Club for the lovely decorations we enjoyed over the weekend. The decorations represented Governor Dimple's theme of "Serving up Service" and were filled with various spoons and other kitchen items that were also donated to Mountain Projects.

Cy Simmons, deputy director of Mountain Projects, received a sample bag containing the donations. For our project, we held a 'kitchen shower' for the families who lost their homes in the floods last fall. We filled tote bags, graciously provided by Harrah's, with basic kitchen items such as baking pans, measuring cups and spoons, dish towels, can openers, small knives, etc. Each bag also included a cookbook. We couldn't replace family cookbooks, but maybe the recipients could find a recipe like that family favorite.

When I contacted Mountain Projects to determine their needs, I asked them how many bags they would like. They said they would greatly appreciate it if we could go 25. Thanks to your generosity and donations, we filled 55 bags! We filled the truck bed and back seat of Mr. Simmon's truck. Four additional boxes of extras were given to Mountain Projects for them to distribute as needed.



Dee Dugger presenting sample bag to Cy Simmons



Bags ready to go



Busy Altrusans



Bags in Truck



Dee Dugger, Cy Simmons and Governor Dimple



First Timers to Conference

By Roberta Klusmeier and Anita Ashworth



The First Timer's session at Conference was informative and fun. Anita Ashworth, Scott Tice, and Roberta Klusmeier kicked off the session by introducing the members of the District Three board with our Governor, Dimple Overstreet, and our International President, Linda Smith saying a few words. A slide presentation on the history of Altrusa was given to the four attendees.

Each participant was given a First Timer's Scavenger Hunt Questionnaire to complete. They had to answer all 16 questions correctly, get two signatures of the board, and then get a signature of an Altrusan from each of our four states (Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina) and the year's that that they have been an Altrusan. Reaching 108. 108 years symbolizes the years Altrusa has been in existence.

The winner, Karen Rogers, from the Lake County Altrusa Club was announced at the Governor's Banquet and will receive \$100 towards her registration fee at our next conference in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Congratulations to Karen and all the first timers who attended this year's conference.



Roberta Klusmeier



Anita Ashworth



Karen Rogers

WINNER



2025 Altrusa Spirit Award Winner Announced at Conference

By Scott Tice
Altrusa Intl of Ocala, Florida



Jane Gray, of the Raleigh, NC club, was awarded the Altrusa Spirit Award at the District Conference in Cherokee, NC. Jane was nominated to be the epitome of an Altrusan based on her service at the local, district and international levels along with her service on the District Three Foundation board. Jane is described as “knowledgeable about all things Altrusa” and “can talk about Altrusa and all the wonderful goals and accomplishments with great enthusiasm and without notes!” In her role as District Three BRR Chair, Jane was tasked with running the Altrusa Store at both conferences during the 2023-2025 biennium. This included reaching out to clubs to find out what items were needed, ordering the items requested and staffing the store.



Scott Tice

In the Raleigh club, Jane coordinated the silent auction basket donated by the club and worked closely with two other clubs to host the Opening Reception. Her nomination included, “Jane is one of the most faithful members of the Raleigh Club when it comes to participating in all of our club projects including the Food Pantry, women’s shelter needs, clinic receptionist, sorting clothes for Note in the Pocket, packing infant literacy bags, etc.”

Jane’s nomination form describes her as a very busy person who dedicates herself to helping others through her service through Altrusa, her church, other civic organizations and the local bar association. One nominator described Jane perfectly, “She is the ideal advocate for Altrusa’s goals and objectives and is truly a giver of her time and talents.”

Congratulations, Jane!





District Three Election Results



By Lida Coffman
Nominating Committee Chair

Elections for the 2025–2027 District Three Board of Directors were held at the 72nd Annual Conference in Cherokee, North Carolina. In accordance with Article XI, Section 2 (c) of our Bylaws, if there is only one nominee for an office, that person may be declared elected if there are no objections. The candidates were declared elected by the Governor with membership approval during the first business meeting as they ran unopposed and there were no nominations from the floor. Members eligible to vote for District Three Board of Directors included delegates from the clubs, elected members of the District Three Board of Directors, and Past Governors who were certified by the Credentials Committee at Conference.

The following are the elected board members:



Nancy Shumaker – Governor-Elect
Altrusa International of Statesboro, Inc.



Scott Frieser – Vice Governor
Altrusa International of Charlotte, Inc.



Scott Tice – Treasurer
Altrusa International of Ocala, Inc.



Dee Dugger – Director
Altrusa International of Gainesville, Inc.



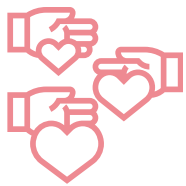
Randi Kahl – Director
Altrusa International of Orlando-Winter Park, Inc.



Rosemary Leake – Director
Altrusa International of Spartanburg, Inc.



Lida Coffman



International Foundation Fundraiser Update and Grants Awarded



By Martin Houston

International Foundation Liaison, Altrusa Intl of Atlanta, GA

Your Altrusa International Foundation continues to work hard in 2025-2026. The Foundation has awarded \$147,991 in the last two grant cycles. The Foundation has also awarded a total of \$212,264 in grants, disaster relief, scholarships, and awards.

Clubs may submit applications for the International Foundation project grants in the amount of \$250 to \$2,500. The deadline is September 15, 2025. The guidelines and criteria are listed on the [International Foundation website](#).

There are several ways Altrusans can donate to the Foundation. Those can all be seen on the [website](#).

Congratulations to District Three Clubs Altrusa International of Monticello, FL, ASTRA club at St. Johns Academy, Altrusa International of Waynesville, NC, and Altrusa International of Statesboro, GA.

Thanks to Christy Bryant and Julie Keiper for an excellent job at the District Three Conference in Cherokee, NC. Thanks to all for the 50/50 Foundation Fundraiser in which donations of \$1,020 was raised. Immediate Past Governor Dimple Overstreet was the winner and earned her Lamplight pin by donating her winnings of \$510 back to the International Foundation. Congratulations to our new Governor Mantha Young of the Lake City, FL Club.



Martin Houston



District Foundation Conference Report and Dessert Dash Highlights

By Joanne Brown

District Three Foundation Chair

The District Three Foundation would like to give a very heartfelt thank you to everyone that was at the conference in Cherokee. This was a great opportunity for networking, socializing and meeting new Altrusa friends and we were able to raise over \$8000 for the Foundation.

The Dessert Dash besides being delicious (plus calories don't count in the DD), was a lot of fun and brought in \$4525. The Dorothea Alderfer Traveling Quilt was auctioned by Yvette Pue for \$700 and given to our new governor Mantha Young to treasure for the next year. The silent auction with 38 creative, and unique items brought in \$3235. The grand total for the conference was \$8460. The money will go into endowment funds to increase the award money's given for our projects next year.

We are in the process of creating the Joey Robison Endowment Fund. Upon completion the money from the Dessert Dash and Dimple Overstreet's governors' gift will start out the fund with \$7525. Again, thank you to our very generous donors.



Joanne Brown





Past Governors Luncheon

By Sandy Furches
Past Governor 2001-2003



On Saturday of Conference, Past Governors gathered for lunch to share fellowship, offer Incoming Governor Mantha their wisdom, welcome Immediate Past Governor Dimple to their ranks, and visit with International Representative Linda. Absent Past Governors were remembered, and attendees wrote notes to them.

Incoming Governor Mantha was presented with a “bee” toolbox of helpful items, including a scroll of wisdom answering her previously submitted questions. She also received a “Queen Bee” quilt with best wishes from all Past Governors for the new biennium where we will all strive to “Bee Essential” following her leadership



Sandy Furches



District Foundation Financials

By Dawn Mainville
District Three Foundation Treasurer



Dawn Mainville

ALTRUSA DISTRICT THREE FOUNDATION, INC		
Stmnt of Financial Position		
As of February 28, 2025		
Accrual Basis		
	Feb 28, 25	Feb 29, 24
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
1000 - Wells Fargo Checking_7481	4,890.66	3,493.08
1020 - Wells Fargo Savings_3703	91,979.25	198,617.79
1100 - Wells Fargo Advisors		
1102 - WFA_Cash_4005	133,890.37	34,226.18
1104 - WFA_Securities & Mutual Funds	96,231.34	84,073.72
Total 1100 - Wells Fargo Advisors	230,121.71	118,299.90
Total Checking/Savings	326,991.62	320,410.77
Other Current Assets	0.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	326,991.62	320,410.77
TOTAL ASSETS	326,991.62	320,410.77
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
3200 - I-PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED		
3202 - ASTRA FUND	10,000.46	10,000.46
3204 - CASSIE DOLLAR FUND	12,577.25	12,577.25
3206 - WILMA B HOGAN LITERACY FUND	110,250.00	110,250.00
3210 - ULRICH ENVIRONMENTAL FUND	10,000.00	10,000.00
3212 - VOCATIONAL FUND	10,025.00	10,025.00
Total 3200 - I-PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	152,852.71	152,852.71
3400 - II-TEMP. RESTRICTED FUNDS		
3420 - FISCAL SPONSORSHIPS		
Total 3420 - FISCAL SPONSORSHIPS	72,057.80	79,580.60
3460 - SPECIAL ACCOUNTS		
3462 - DISTRICT THREE GRANT FUND	50,956.45	50,956.45
3464 - JOEY ROBISON SCHOLARSHIP FUND	4,172.37	3,599.50
Total 3460 - SPECIAL ACCOUNTS	55,128.82	54,555.95
Total 3400 - II-TEMP. RESTRICTED FUNDS	127,186.62	134,136.55
3600 - III-UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
3620 - DIV / INT / CAP GAINS		
3622 - INT / DIV_WF ADVISORS	27,941.31	24,001.37
3624 - INTEREST_BANK	127.97	117.51
3626 - INTEREST_CD LITERACY	3,870.41	0.00
3628 - CAPITAL GAIN/LOSS_REALIZED	4,011.46	0.00
3620 - DIV / INT / CAP GAINS - Other	(13,430.35)	(12,772.29)
Total 3620 - DIV / INT / CAP GAINS	22,520.80	11,346.59
3640 - GENERAL FUND		
3642 - DONATIONS		
3642.2 - Grants Activity	(21,878.64)	(20,378.64)
3642 - DONATIONS - Other	60,887.20	54,217.20
Total 3642 - DONATIONS	39,008.56	33,838.56
3640 - GENERAL FUND - Other	(14,577.07)	(11,763.64)
Total 3640 - GENERAL FUND	24,431.49	22,074.92
Total 3600 - III-UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	46,952.29	33,421.51
Total Equity	326,991.62	320,410.77
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	326,991.62	320,410.77

District Foundation Financials Continued....

By Dawn Mainville
District Three Foundation Treasurer

ALTRUSA DISTRICT THREE FOUNDATION, INC Stmnt of Financial Income && Expense March 2024 through February 2025

Accrual Basis

	<u>Mar '24 - Feb 25</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4000 · CONTRIBUTIONS	
4040 · Donations-Designated	3,472.87
4060 · Donations-Undesignated	1,887.00
Total 4000 · CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>5,359.87</u>
4200 · FUND RAISING	
4202 · AUCTION	4,395.00
4204 · CLUBS FUNDRAISING	5,410.00
Total 4200 · FUND RAISING	<u>9,805.00</u>
4800 · INVESTMENT INCOME	
4802 · DIVIDENDS / INTEREST_INVTMNT	7,810.35
4804 · INTEREST INCOME	10.46
4806 · REALIZED SECURITIES GAIN	4,011.46
Total 4800 · INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>11,832.27</u>
Total Income	<u>26,997.14</u>
Gross Profit	26,997.14
Expense	
6000 · MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	
6020 · BANK & MERCH PROC FEES	16.00
6060 · DUES AND FEES	61.25
6100 · LODGING	1,088.68
6120 · MEALS	393.57
6160 · OPERATING SUPPLIES	256.53
6200 · TRAVEL	1,009.40
Total 6000 · MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	<u>2,825.43</u>
6400 · PROGRAM SERVICES	
6420 · AWARDS	658.06
6440 · GRANTS	1,500.00
6460 · SCHOLARSHIPS	
6462 · Joey Robison Scholarship	2,500.00
6464 · Scholarships from Clubs	5,750.00
Total 6460 · SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>8,250.00</u>
6500 · CHARITIES	3,950.00
6620 · SPECIAL EVENTS - Clubs	3,232.80
Total 6400 · PROGRAM SERVICES	<u>17,590.86</u>
Total Expense	<u>20,416.29</u>
Net Ordinary Income	6,580.85
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
7000 · EQUITY TRANSFER	<u>(6,580.85)</u>
Total Other Income	<u>(6,580.85)</u>
Net Other Income	<u>(6,580.85)</u>
Net Income	<u>0.00</u>

District Three Foundation Donors & Giving

We Appreciate and Thank You All for your Support !

CONTRIBUTOR \$50-\$99	SPONSOR \$100-\$249	PARTNER \$250-\$499	GOVERNOR'S CIRCLE \$500-\$999	MAMIE L BASS SOCIETY \$1,000	BENEFACTOR
Altrusa of Atlanta Altrusa of Citrus Cnty Altrusa of Gaffney Altrusa of Ocala Carol Halliburton Cindyly Brubaker Jane Lewis Josie Frieser Laura Erstad Linda Hamedani Lisa Ferguson Louise Parris Margaret Roldan Mary Van Name Millie Griswold Patricia Davis Roberta Klusmeier Scott Frieser Silvia Silverman Susan Newlin Theresa Young Yolander Hunter	Altrusa of Bangalore India Altrusa of Ocala Altrusa of Salisbury Altrusa of Waynesville Barbara Ann Hughes Barbara Thomas Carol Decelle Carol K Noegel Catherine Thompson Dimple Overstreet Donna Carroll Elaine Muther Gail Trotter Jeraldyn Rivest Dr. Judy Perkin Kathy Jackson Karen Wishart Matilda J Shell Nanci Schwartz Norma Teuten Pat Jenke Randi Kahl Roberta Klusmeier Sandy Furches Sharon Huey Valerie Forster Vicki Teal	Altrusa of Caldwell Co Altrusa of Charlotte Altrusa of Charlotte Found Altrusa of Gainesville Altrusa of Lake City Altrusa of Montecello Altrusa of Starke Altrusa of Statesboro Altrusa of St Augustine Donna Johnson Eddie & Peggy Ricks Eileen Hines Madlean Rogers Mary Santana Nancy Drought Rosemary Leake Sara Freeborn Susy Meier	Altrusa of N. Georgia Altrusa Ori/Winter Park Altrusa of Spartanburg Altrusa of Tampa Bay Cindy Athey Jean Sydnor Jenneane Froman Karen Robinson Linda Tatum Martin Orthodontics Mary Kane Mary Kirley Michelle S. Smith Nancy Shumaker	Altrusa District Three Altrusa of Lake County Altrusa Spartanburg Found Altrusa Starke Foundation Beverly Hardy Bonnie K. Lee Christy Bryant Colleen Duris Dawn Mainville Gail Hackett Gayle Magnuder Jane Gray Jill Adams Joanne Brown Julie Keiper Kitty McElhaney Linda Robison Martha Young Margaret Cannon Marlene Jones Martha Epps Penny Penn Robin Hall Scott Tice Shannon Schell Tammy Hall Wilma B Hogan Fdtn	Anonymous Member Linda Robison Margaret Cannon Michelle Smith Shannon Schell
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District Three Election Report



By Susy Meier
District Three Conference Co-Program Coordinator, Atlanta, GA

The Election process at the 72nd Annual District Three Conference was to be conducted via an electronic election platform called Election Runner. We had 49 certified eligible voters ready to participate.

Sandy Thompson, Elections Chair shared that no vote count was required as there were no nominations from the floor for any of the 2025-2027 District Three Board positions. As a result, at the First Business Session on Friday, April 25, 2025, our new board was declared duly elected as by the Altrusa International District Three Bylaws.

Your 2025-2027 Altrusa International District Three, Inc. newly elected Board Members are:

Nancy Shumaker, Statesboro, GA	Governor-Elect
Scott Frieser, Charlotte, NC	Vice Governor
Scott Tice, Ocala, FL	Treasurer
Dee Dugger, Gainesville, FL	Director
Randi Kahl, Orlando-Winter Park, FL	Director
Rosemary Leake, Spartanburg, SC	Director



Susy Meier

Mantha Young (Lake City, FL) is serving as Governor this biennium, and has appointed Penny Penn (North Georgia, GA) as Parliamentarian and Nanci Schwartz (Lake County, FL) as Secretary.

Past Governor Shannon Schell (Lake County, FL) was elected to be the District Three International Foundation Candidate Nominee. Good luck to Shannon at Convention!

Congratulations to our new board!



Randi Kahl



Scott Tice



Dee Dugger



Nancy Shumaker



Scott Frieser



Shannon Shell



Rosemary Leake



Friday Night Fun Night Was a Goosechase to Remember!

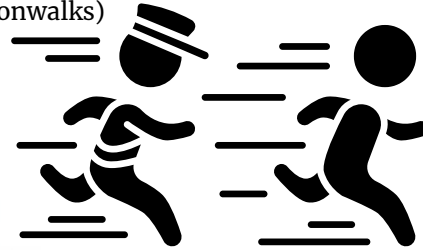
By Julie Keiper and Christy Bryant
District Three Conference Chairs

Cherokee, NC was buzzing with laughter, creativity, and a healthy dose of competitive spirit during the Altrusa District Three Annual Conference's Friday Night Fun Night! This year's highlight? A high-energy, app-based scavenger hunt powered by Goosechase that had everyone on their feet and in full-on fun mode.

Three spirited teams—The True Blue Gooders, The Silver Linings, and The Red Hot Givers—took on a whirlwind of twelve hilarious and heartwarming missions throughout the casino and conference venue. From secret handshakes to air band battles, each team brought their A-game, completing every mission with flair.

The Missions Included:

- Creating a secret handshake worthy of a spy movie
- Finding the best free souvenir (who knew coasters could be so exciting?)
- Acting out a dramatic jackpot celebration—Oscar-worthy performances, truly!
- Snapping the most striking casino photo and explaining its wow factor
- Letting loose with a solo dance session (yes, there were moonwalks)
- Forming an air band and rocking out like legends
- Competing in a casino-themed dance-off
- Singing a silly jingle about their favorite casino game
- Discovering non-gambling fun around the venue
- Hunting for lucky charms like dice and golden trinkets
- Playing Name That Game with casino classics
- Appreciating Cherokee heritage through art and displays
- Becoming casino history detectives with photos of historical artifacts
- While all teams completed the missions with gusto, it was The Red Hot Givers who blazed their way to victory—earning top marks for speed, creativity, and sheer hilarity. Their over-the-top performances and clever interpretations of each challenge had everyone in stitches and judges in awe.



Julie Keiper



Christy Bryant

Want to relive the fun? Check out the unforgettable photos and videos from the night [here](#).

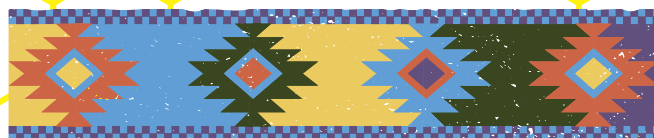
This unforgettable evening was more than just a game—it was a celebration of camaraderie, creativity, and the Altrusa spirit. Thank you to everyone who participated and made Friday Night Fun Night a smashing success. Until next year—keep the fun alive and the good deeds rolling!



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2026 Conference Invitation

By Rosemary Leake and Tina Luca
District Three Conference Chairs



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District Three Communications Chair



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HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY FRAN Jarolimek!

By Yvette Pue

Altrusa International of Orlando-Winter Park, Florida

Fran Jarolimek from the Orlando-Winter Park Club recently celebrated her 90th birthday on April 26th.

Fran became an Altrusan in 2011 and is an active member of the “West Side Morning Group”, a sub group of the Orlando-Winter Park Club. A retiree with a heart for volunteer service, Frans personal interests also include reading, cooking and needlework.

Although several of the Orlando-Winter Park club were unable to attend due to the District Three Conference, there were key Altrusans among the 70 family members and friends who gathered to wish Fran a very Happy Milestone Birthday. A table held the birthday cake, decorated with an arch of balloons and another held photos of Fran from childhood through marriage. Music from the 40s and 50s played in the background while guests mingled and ate from a generous buffet of hot and cold food, enjoying a wonderful time celebrating the awesome lady we all love. It was a great celebration for a very special person and just goes to show that you’re never too old to join Altrusa and make a difference in your community. Fran joined Altrusa at the age of 77 and is still going strong at 90.



LR: Orlando-Winter Park Altrusans Cheryl Malloy, Charlotte Simpson and Betsy Sushinsky join our Birthday Queen Fran Jarolimek in celebrating her 90th Birthday.



ASTRA of West Port High School, Ocala, Florida

By Colleen Duris
Altrusa International of Ocala, Florida

Altrusa International of Ocala, Florida was excited to charter the West Port High School ASTRA club on April 8, 2025.

The club has already been extremely active in the community and received recognition among their fellow service clubs at the school. They have participated in numerous activities at the school and assisted our club with service projects such as working on Born Learning Trails and Diaper collections and packings. During its formation period, club members participated in events and projects, including, Celebrating Literacy Week, Christmas Tree Trail, "Spreading Kindness" on Valetine's Day, "Pink Out" for Breast Cancer Awareness and "Halloween Trick or Treat".

We have enjoyed working with the school advisor, Eleanor Gilliam, and look forward to the continued success of this club. The Ocala Altrusans are dedicated to helping these young people succeed.





Altrusa of Lake City Hosts First-Ever “Badges & Splashes” to Unite First Responders and Families with Disabilities

By Shellie Youngl

Altrusa International of Lake City, Florida

Altrusa International of Lake City, in partnership with First Federal Bank, proudly hosted the inaugural “Badges & Splashes” event on March 15, 2025. This new initiative brought together local first responders and families with disabilities for a day of connection, understanding, and fun-filled water play.

Held on the grounds of First Federal Bank in Lake City and chaired by Marisa Burnham, the event aimed to break down barriers and build trust between emergency personnel and families who often face challenges integrating into community events due to stigma or misunderstandings.

The afternoon was filled with engaging activities designed to encourage interaction in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Children had the opportunity to enjoy a giant waterslide, made possible through the sponsorship of HCA Healthcare of Lake City. A highlight for many was the chance to handle a real fire hose and cool off with sprays from a fire truck. Guests were also treated to complimentary popsicles and refreshments provided by Holly Garner of Sprouted Spoon, adding to the cheerful atmosphere.

Beyond the fun, “Badges & Splashes” carried a powerful message—creating inclusive spaces where families with disabilities can feel safe, supported, and connected. First responders from both city and county fire and police departments were on hand not only to oversee activities but to participate in open conversations, answer questions, and provide reassurance to families about emergency protocols and support systems.

Attendees explored emergency vehicles, tried on uniforms, and got an up-close look at the tools used by first responders, helping to demystify these important community roles. This exposure allowed families—especially children—to become more comfortable with the people who serve and protect them, a critical step in preparing for emergency situations.

“This event was about more than just fun,” said Chair Marisa Burnham. “It was about fostering understanding, easing fears, and creating personal connections. When families with disabilities feel seen and supported, the whole community benefits.”

The success of the first “Badges & Splashes” signals the potential for it to become a cherished annual tradition. Through thoughtful planning, meaningful engagement, and strong community partnerships, Altrusa of Lake City has taken a significant step toward bridging gaps and building a more inclusive Lake City.





Altrusa International of Lake City Hosts Empowering 2025 Summit for Young Girls

By Shellie Young
Altrusa International of Lake City, Florida

Lake City, FL – February 22, 2025 – The Altrusa International of Lake City successfully hosted its highly anticipated 2025 Girls Summit, embracing the theme “*LIFE IS A GIFT!*” to inspire and empower young girls. The event, designed to equip participants with valuable life skills and confidence, welcomed 24 attendees for a day of education, creativity, and self-discovery.

The day began with registration, where each girl received a commemorative t-shirt before enjoying a nutritious breakfast. Attendees were then uplifted by an inspirational poetic introduction from Altrusan Dorothy Spradley, setting the stage for a transformative experience.

Participants were divided into groups for three engaging workshops, each focusing on essential life skills:

- **Cancel Culture Awareness** – Led by Altrusan Marisa Burnham of Essential Behavior Company, this session encouraged the girls to embrace diversity and differences, fostering a culture of understanding and respect.
- **Financial Responsibility** – Altrusan Lori Simpson of Millennium Bank educated the girls on the importance of budgeting and future financial planning, providing them with practical skills for lifelong financial wellness.
- **Art & Self-Expression** – Shirley Zecher of the Art League of North Florida - Gateway Art Gallery guided the girls through an artistic journey, where each participant painted a canvas depicting their own *Tree of Life*, symbolizing personal growth and future aspirations.

The summit concluded with a lunch provided by Chick-fil-A, offering the girls time to reflect on their experiences and newfound knowledge.

Altrusa International of Lake City continues to make a positive impact in the community by fostering education, leadership, and service. The 2025 Girls Summit successfully reinforced the message that *life is truly a gift*, encouraging young girls to dream big and pursue their aspirations with confidence.





Who Doesn't Love a Surprise?

By Mimi Cooper

Altrusa International of St. Augustine, Florida

Imagine my surprise one morning when I opened an email and found a message from Lenore Schell that said, 'Like to Help'. Lenore is a member of Palencia LARK – a local group of women who meet once a month and like to do random acts of kindness. They had read about our club and wanted to know how they could help.

It just so happened that we were working with the St Johns County Early Childhood Services Staff as they were planning a special family day at the St Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum. We decided that Literacy Bags would be a perfect compliment to the day and a great way to utilize the LARK Group's donation.

Lenore Schell and Angel Brueckman from LARK visited our club and presented us with \$300.00 which we used to make 50 literacy bags distributed to PreK children attending the Family Day.



The literacy bags contained a book about lighthouses, a journal, lighthouse coloring books, pencils, crayons, and erasers. We had a special bookplate made for the books honoring Lenore's and Angel's Moms – Joan Shimkus and Beverly McCravy – two Moms who loved to read. We in Altrusa St Augustine were very grateful for this 'surprise' donation that allowed us to further our literacy work here in St Johns County.



While at the event, the families toured the Lighthouse, made lighthouses,

received free books and enjoyed a pizza dinner. Helping throughout the day were members of the JROTC Program at St Augustine High School.





Club Service Projects & News

Donations to Veterans Home

By Stephanie Bruce
Altrusa International of Salisbury, North Carolina

Altrusa International Club, Salisbury, NC delivered 80 razors to the North Carolina State Veterans Home on March 11, 2025.

Pictured below on left, Candace Lewis, Director of Recreation Services accepting the contributions from Altrus of Salisbury Club, Vice-President, Delores Francis.



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Altrusa Club of Starke's Annual Easter Basket Donations to Guardian Ad Litem

By Dimple Overstreet
Altrusa International of Starke, Florida

For the past 21 years, the Altrusa Club of Starke has been donating thirty Easter baskets to the Guardian Ad Litem for Children organization. Immediately after Easter each year, the search is on for items on sale for the next year. Being diligent with the money allotted by the club per basket, members find bargains wherever available. With a list provided by Guardian Ad Litem of children from the ages two to twelve, baskets are customized to fit the sex and age. There are approximately 15 items in each basket to include candy, toys, books, etc. Club members assemble the baskets at our meeting prior to Easter and hand-deliver to the Guardian Ad Litem office. Our \$300 budget is supplemented by member donations as well.

