

President's Message: Fall is right around the corner and September marks regular hours for Altrusa! Our first Thursday is the business meeting, a great time to bring in a visitor! The second Thursday is your committee meeting, please attend your committee meetings to get to know your fellow Altrusans better and to contribute to the betterment of the club. The third Thursday is a program meeting. Most program meetings will be listed in your soon to be released handbook. The fourth meeting is dedicated to projects. Look for an announcement from the Service Committee to determine if we have a project and what the project is. Remember to bring socks and underwear to help school nurses for the September project. If there is a fifth Thursday the club will not meet.



If you have questions or concerns about the club or if you are a new member and would like one on one mentoring please contact me or a board member.

Special Projects: October 26th is Make a Difference Day. If you have an idea for a project the club could participate in please send it to me or a board member. If you have an idea for an International project please send it to me or a board member.

Sometimes happiness is a decision...be happy today!

Calendar of Events for September

Sept 6: Business Meeting

Sept 12: Club Board Meeting

Sept 13: Committee Meeting

Sept 20: Program Meeting -
"Membership"

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CANCELLATION DEADLINE FOR AUGUST MEETINGS IS BY NOON ON THE TUESDAY BEFORE THE MEETING.

Contact Linda Barb to cancel by emailing or calling her. Her contact information can be found in the email with this newsletter or the membership yearbook and directory,

Report from the Board

The board met on Wednesday, August 8, 2018. The following actions were taken:

Literacy requested permission to submit for a grant from International for new books for the YOC. Request granted.

The Board approved to have a Fundraiser on April 25, 2019 at the Texas Roadhouse.

The Board approved the Leave of Absence for Patricia Shaefer from August 8 through May 31, 2018.

The Board accepted the resignation, with regret, of Tonikia Steans effective May 31, 2018.

The Board accepted the nomination of Angela Beck to complete the term of Sarah Rhoades as Board Director (2018-2020).

The Sept Board Meeting will be held Sept 12 at 5:30 pm at Prime Trust.

THE MUNCIE ALTRUSA FOUNDATION, INC.

The Muncie Altrusa Foundation approved a grant for \$800.00 to The Muncie Civic Theatre to go toward their youth programming.

The Foundation was also notified that an article was published in The Muncie Star Press regarding the grants that were awarded last year.

September 6

Quiche:

-Bacon, onion, swiss

- 4 cheese (cheddar, swiss, mozzarella, parmesan)

Fruit Salad with Mint

Strawberry topped Cheese-cake

September 20

Pesto Pasta with Chicken

Garlic Bread

Caesar Salad

Chocolate Mouse filled

Cream Puffs



September Birthdays and Member Anniversaries

Birthdays:

1 - Beth Kroehler

5 - Sarah Rhoades

6 - Aumalee Crandall

8 - Loretta Parsons

Anniversaries:

1994 - Della Gregory

2009 - Brenda Williamson

2012 Sherrell Bryant
(reinstated) 1994

**Committee Chairs
for 2018-19**

ASTRA: Christy Skeens

BRRR: Karon
Nowakowski

Finance: Nancy Norris

Literacy: Lola Mauer

Communications: Ash-
lee Anderson

Membership Develop-
ment: Anne Condran

Nominating: Linda
Barb

Reservations: Linda
Barb

Service: Molly Harty

2018-19 Committee News and Information

The **Service Committee** will meet September 13th at 1:00 in the Small Conference Room at Minnetrista - lunch is not provided.

All members please remember to bring your donations of undergarments for the Nurses in Need Project to any meetings now through the final collection day of September 27th. If you can't drop them off at a meeting, you're welcome to drop them off to Molly at The Orchard Shop.

Also, mark your calendars for Monday, October 22nd 7:30 am Soup Kitchen of Muncie lunch bag pack. If you would like to help - contact project lead Barb Baker.

The **Literacy Committee** will meet September 13th at Minnetrista in the Large Conference Room at 12:00 noon. Lunch not provided.

Strategic Plan is being completed. The Committee reviewed projects for the coming year—4th Grade Contest, Ready Set Read Project, Little Free Libraries. Will meet at the BRRR Room September 7th at noon to look and sort books.

The **Membership Committee** reviewed the goals for 2018-2018 . The chair reviewed the by-laws regarding the sponsoring of new members, discussed possible activities for the remainder of the year, reviewed the budget and how it works, set up committee assignments.

Next meeting will be September 13 at First Merchants Bank at noon and BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH.

All Committees, EXCEPT FUNDRAISERS are scheduled to meet the 2nd Thursday of each month unless otherwise notified.

UN Days for September 2018

September 5—International Day of Charity

September 8—International Literacy Day

September 21—International Day of Peace

District Six Board of Directors – Fall Meeting and Visit to Muncie!

The District Six Board was in Muncie on August 17-18 for their Fall Meeting. The meeting is usually held at the location of the upcoming Conference the Spring. It was our chance to highlight our Club's hometown now that we have full accommodations at Horizon Convention Center.

It was a delight to see Muncie Altrusan Jennifer Hasty share information on Courtyard Marriott Downtown, a truly unique hotel. Also, the board had their "walk through" of the Horizon Convention Center and was extremely impressed!

Governor Elect, Sue Whitaker, hosted the Board at her home for dinner prepared by Chef Don (her husband). After a couple of hours enjoying a wonderful dinner and fellowship, it was time to get back to work. Muncie Altrusans Nancy Norris and Diana Smiley attended as Chair and Co-Chair of the Conference Planning Committee for part of the Friday evening meeting. They detailed the upcoming Conference and energy was in the air! After a long day, the Board was able to enjoy the conversation area in the lobby and the rooms at the hotel.

Saturday morning began early and went through the afternoon, getting the job done to be the best resource and support for the District Six Clubs. The Board is excited for the Conference next Spring in **DOWNTOWN MUNCIE!**



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