

Altrusa Notes:



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*Altrusa President
2019-2020*

*Love, Joy, Peace, Kindness,
Goodness, Faithfulness,
Gentleness & Self-Control*

It is difficult to believe that swimming pools are closing, and we are all preparing for fall. It has been a great start to the first quarter of our Altrusa year! We have initiated four members and will initiate three more at our September business meeting. Each of your committee chairs will have you working within your committees on the clubs' strategic plan. As Altrusans we are leaders among our communities, not just here in Indiana but through a network of clubs internationally. I believe that at times we forget that we are connected to an international community of like-minded women. We all serve our mission of: To improve communities worldwide by providing service, developing leadership, fostering internal understanding and encouraging fellowship through an international network of dedicated volunteer. Stop and think about all the individuals that benefit from the service of Altrusans.

Committees and individuals will be called upon in the next few months to work together to apply for several grants. Not only do these grants allow us to help embrace our communities they help us achieve our Distinguished Club award. Please be open to helping with these grants.

We begin our September with our Thursday program meetings as well as our Business meeting and committee meetings. Please mark your calendars for all upcoming Altrusa events. There will also be upcoming news from the Membership Committee regarding a meet and greet as well as an evening at Tonne Winery. Please plan on attending these events to become acquainted with new prospects and current members. Getting to know more about each other is always pleasurable and helps strengthen our bond.

Let's get those sweaters, sweatshirt, and bonfires going! Happy September y'all!

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Calendar of Events

- Sep 5 - Business Meeting
- Sep 5 - Muncie Altrusa Foundation Beulah Frogge Digital Arts Studio Ribbon Cutting, Cornerstone Center for the Arts, 5:30 p.m.
- Sep 12 - Committee Meeting
- Sep 18 - Board Meeting
- Sep 19 - Program Meeting, "Altrusa 101"
- Sep 26 - No Meeting



An Invitation to the Ribbon Cutting for the Muncie Altrusa Foundation Beulah Frogge Digital Arts Studio:

Cornerstone Center for the Arts is excited to announce the Muncie Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony and reception for the Muncie Altrusa Foundation Beulah Frogge Digital Arts Studio on Thursday, September 5 at 5:30 pm.

The ribbon cutting ceremony is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Following the conclusion of the ribbon cutting ceremony, please join the exhibiting artists in the Judith Barnes Memorial Gallery for their First Thursday opening reception.

Muncie Altrusa Foundation awarded a \$10,000 grant to Cornerstone Center for the Arts. Cornerstone has used this grant to develop and implement a new digital arts program. The new studio, which will be dedicated to the program, will be introduced in Fall 2019, with classes beginning in September. Registration for fall classes is now open. Visit cornerstonearts.org for more information.

The grant was made possible through a bequest that Muncie Altrusa Foundation received from longtime Altrusa International Club of Muncie member and Muncie Altrusa Foundation board member, Beulah Frogge. Beulah left explicit instructions for the gift to be used promptly to make an impact to a deserving local organization. Cornerstone Center for the Arts was one of the 10 local nonprofit organizations invited to apply. Cornerstone plans to use this grant to develop and implement a new digital arts program that includes graphic design, Photoshop, animation, and digital painting. Classes in the new digital arts program will be available to students of all ages across the community.



Service Committee Announcement

The Service Committee will sponsor our first project in the Soup Kitchen of Muncie on September 30th at 7:30 am. If members would like to volunteer, please contact Barb Baker by phone or email.

RSVP Cancellation Deadline

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

Contact **Linda Barb**, Reservations Chair

There is no Board Report

Member Birthdays

Beth Kroehler – September 1
Aumalee Crandall – September 6
Loretta Parsons – September 8
Megan Smith – September 22



Member Anniversaries

Della Gregory – 1994
Brenda Williamson - 2009
Sherrell Bryant – 2012



Altrusa International of Muncie, IN, Inc.

President:	Diana Smiley
Vice President:	Erika Hayes
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Committee Chairs for 2019-20

ASTRA: Kathy Benz
BRRR: Beth Kroehler
Finance: Nancy Norris
Literacy: Carolyn Scruggs
Communications: Marcy Minton
Membership Development:
Brenda Williamson
Nominating: Ashlee Anderson
Reservations: Linda Barb
Service: Monique Armstrong

All Committees
(Except Fundraising Committees)
are scheduled to meet the 2nd Thursday of
each month unless otherwise noted by
Committee Chair.



Next Ambassador Deadline

Please send information & pictures for the October edition by Sep 20 to MuncieAltrusa@gmail.com