Happy Fall Ya'll! We're slowly easing into Fall and our regular club calendar. As I write this, we've had 2 regular program meetings in September. We've heard from both the Fundraising and Service committees during program meetings so far. Thanks to VP Kathy for setting those up. As we get back to "normal" it's been nice to reconnect with each of our committees for a refresher on what they do and how we can support them. I know all of our committees are ramping up for some excellent work this year!

We've inducted 1 new member thus far this club year. And I know we have a couple more prospective members interested. Each new member gets us closer to our goal of 10 new members this year. And, more importantly, new members bring new momentum, fresh eyes, and hands into our club. Do you know anyone who would be a good fit for our group? Reach out to Membership with those names, I know they'd be happy to talk to folks.

Speaking of Membership (how's that for a segue!)...Be sure to mark your calendars for the Taste of Altrusa Mixer. More details are in the Ambassador. This will be a great time to meet a little more informally outside of our regular meetings. If you know of someone curious about Altrusa, this would be a great event to bring them to as well.

As the weather turns cooler and we start looking toward the fall season, I feel we have a lot of great momentum with our club right now. Thank you ALL for your hard work on committees and at our meetings. Together, we're making a difference in our community.

In Altrusa Service,
Angie Rogers-Howell
Birthdays

Carolyn Scruggs – 1st
Marilyn Nathan – 11th
Karon Klem Nowakowski – 15th

Julie Mason – 4th
Linda Barb – 14th
Kaitlyn Winkle – 31st

Cathy Swift – 10th
Jennifer Johnson – 15th

Anniversaries

Megan Smith - 2018
Joan McKee - 1987

Calendar of Events:

Business Meeting
Thursday, October 7th Noon at Minnetrista

Committee Meetings
Thursday, October 14th

Program Meeting - Literacy
Thursday, October 21st Noon at Minnetrista

Board Meeting
Monday, October 18th 9am @ Farmhouse Creative
Service Projects

A Soldiers Hands
During the September Service Committee program meeting, Altrusans wrote 85 encouraging cards for “A Soldiers Hands.” Several were wrote and turned in prior to the meeting allowing for the club to exceed the 100 card goal.

Soup Kitchen Sack Lunches
The club will continue to work with The Soup Kitchen this year and provide sack lunch meals in an effort to help them as they provide meals for Recovery Café. There will be 125 meals provided four times this year and 25 meals of each will go to help feed individuals at Recovery Café on Saturdays.

On August 23rd Altrusans packed 125 sack lunches to take to the Soup Kitchen.

October 25th at 9:00am, Altrusans will be packing another 125 lunches to take to the Soup Kitchen. If you wish to volunteer please reach out to Barb Baker.

East Washington Academy
Our partnership with East Washington Academy and Northview will continue to provide over 1,400 snack bags for children attending those schools; distributed over Winter Break in December and Spring Break in March. This year we are excited to work with the Literacy Committee to ensure that each of the children receiving snacks will also receive a book!
Muncie Altrusa Foundation

The Foundation’s mission is to assist organizations in Muncie/Delaware County, Indiana area for educational, literary, and charitable purposes. The organization strives to uphold its commitment to unselfish, unbiased giving.

The Foundation accepts charitable gifts to further our mission! Gifts are typically exempt from income, estate and gift taxes. Gifts can be sent to Muncie Altrusa Foundation, P. O. Box 923, Muncie, Indiana 47308.

Congratulations to Angela Beck

The Muncie Chamber of Commerce recognized Altrusan Angela Beck at the Chamber Champions luncheon as the "Ambassador of the Year!" Muncie Altrusan's were there showing their support! Thank you for your leadership in our community Angela Beck!
From the Membership Committee

SAVE THE DATE
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28th
5-6 PM
“A TASTE of ALTRUSA”
(Dessert Recipes from Altrusans)
A Mixer for Everyone to Enjoy!!!!!
Located at CoLab
In the Roberts Loft building
420 S. High Street
Come Join Us!!!!!!!
Get to know an Altrusan
Featuring: Haley Brocki

1. When did you first become an Altrusan and why?
   January 2018, Nancy Norris inspired me to join!

2. Who are/were your sponsors?
   Nancy Norris and Brenda Williamson

3. What do you enjoy most about Altrusa?
   Seeing the impact Altrusa has on our community from services projects to grants awarded through the Altrusa Foundation.

4. Has anything surprised you since becoming a member or is there anything that you’ve learned?
   Yes, very much so! Going into all of this I thought I would be giving up my time, resources, and talents to help push the mission of Altrusa forward. While that is true, I never could have imagined what I would gain in return. The women in this organization and opportunities available here have truly helped to refine and grow me both personally and professionally. I am forever indebted to Altrusa!

5. What is your favorite Altrusa service project? (current or past)
   While not a service project, last year the Altrusa Foundation awarded a grant to the Muncie Boys and Girls Club which allowed several of their students to participate in a Spring play with Muncie Civic. Later on while spending time with family, my husband’s little sister was having the family watch her practice her lines for an upcoming play. After quickly making the connection, I got goosebumps. It reminded me that what we’re doing matters and truly makes a difference in the lives of others - whether we see it or not!! I’ll always think back to that moment, as it made a huge impression on me.

6. List up to 5 things that will help us get to know you.
   - Originally from Florida and graduated from Florida State University - Go Noles!!
   - I am a founding charter member of the Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Pi chapter at Florida State.
   - My husband and I met online while I was in college and he was deployed in Afghanistan. He’s the reason I moved to Muncie :)
   - Recently I was accepted into the Ball State Graduate Program for Communication Studies and are currently pursuing my Master’s degree in Organizational Communication.
   - My husband and I have two cats (Willow and River), after going to an adoption fair looking to adopt a doggo. Ha!

7. What’s something about you that’s unique or others may not know?
   When I moved to Muncie for my internship in 2016, I didn’t know anyone here besides my husband and his family. Goes to show the power of networking and community!
Board News & Actions:

Erika Hayes is now the board liaison for the Service Committee
Brenda Williamson is the board liaison for the Communications Committee

*Board meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month, 9am at the Farmhouse Creative conference room
To cancel a meeting reservation email Linda Barb by noon the Tuesday prior to meeting.
lsb21820@gmail.com

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**Committee Chairs for 2021-22**

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The August Ambassador deadline is October 20th.
Please send information & pictures to MuncieAltrusa@gmail.com