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“Making a difference in our Community”

July 2010

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Fellow Altrusans,

Summer is here – and I hope you are all enjoying it.

Welcome to our Elephant season, too.

This is my first President’s letter and I have to admit the buzz of this year as your President is still large. The year has started with excitement and trepidation for me. Excitement about the great turnout and wonderful input at the planning meeting in May, excitement about the energy that you all bring to our projects and service, excitement about the ideas for the new T-Shirts, excitement about the many actions that our club stands for, our great history. Trepidation as the tasks ahead are formidable, trepidation as I still know very little about our history, trepidation as I juggle lots of commitments and **balance them with my private life. My glass is generally ‘half-full’ and that’s why I** look forward to a challenging year, a year in which we continue the many quality projects we call get involved in and a year where we chart our way to membership growth and service development.

An important step on our path forward is the program meeting on **July 21. Please plan to attend as we need everyone’s input to guide us as we** brainstorm ways to develop our service to the community. Our service is what the community recognizes us for; it is our legacy to those we serve; it is how we make a difference to those we work with. This process of service development is likely to take time to work through, but input from you is crucial at the early stages. Every member represents the history and the dreams and **aspirations for our club’s future. Come to engage with your** fellow Altrusans as we build our future.



In the Altrusa Spirit,

Bettina

Altrusa Minutes

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Sharon Emenegger

Janet Magedanz

Membership

Kristy Pribyl

Service

vacant

Business Meeting June 2, 2010

The business meeting of Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon was called to order on 12:10 p.m. by Judy Juntunen, past-president, at the Corvallis Country Club, 1850 SW Whiteside in Corvallis, Oregon. Member attendance recorded on luncheon tally sheet. President Karen French was called out of town for a family emergency therefore was not in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE: The Altrusa Grace was recited by all in attendance followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: J. Juntunen called for corrections or additions to the minutes of the May 5, 2010 business meeting of Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon as presented on the June 2, 2010 agenda. Hearing none the minutes of May 5, 2010 business meeting minutes were approved by acclimation by members present.

INTRODUCTION OFGUESTS: Julie Livingston, Georgia (Ostenson) Eliason, past president

BIRTHDAYS: Honored were Carol Bailey, Sharon Emenegger, Karen Grant, Daryl Haggart, Bettina Schempf, Julie Schwartz, Bettina Schempf and Farl Tubb. Bailey and Schwartz were absent.

RAFFLE: Two raffle items were distributed.

SIGNUP SHEETS: Janet Magedanz routed a signup sheet for the June 30, 2010 PEP Picnic with setup time at 11:30, event begins at noon. Mary Lou McLocklin routed the signup sheet for open timeslot for the Career Closet in July & August. Karen Mills announced the Elephant Ears work schedule was full for the Red, White & Blues Festival July 3-4, 2010 at the Riverfront Park.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pottery Class – Bettina Schempf announced a pottery making class will be held for the 5th Wednesday on June 30, 2010 at the OSU Memorial Union Craft Center. Only 10 spots are available. Cost was not known.

Uzhgorod-Covallis Sister Cities fundraiser –

Lupe Maginnis announced a June 4, 2010 fundraising dinner for the Uzghorod-Covallis Sister Cities program to be held 6:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Cost \$10.00/ ticket. Maginnis, Evelyne Hendrix and Alma Parker are all current or past Altrusa members who had served on the board of the Uzhgorod-Covallis Sister Cities program.

Altrusa T-shirts – Helen Kúpeli announced that the final design for the Altrusa t-shirt would be determined at a June 7, 2010 meeting at the Benton Habitat for Humanity office. Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Members interested contributing design ideas should email Kúpeli or attend the meeting.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

Finance – Sharon Emenegger presented the Service/Foundation Statement of Cash & Expenses report as of May 31, 2010.

Janet Magedanz reviewed the Operations Budget for 2009-2010 as of May 31, 2010.

Elephant Ears – Karen Mills announced \$140.00 was raised from the Maria & Sophia Tortilla fundraiser which will purchase 46 packages of tortillas.

Planning Meeting – B. Schempf reported on the planning meeting held May 12, 2010. Schempf will email the revised Strategic Plan to members once she updates it.

District Conference – B. Schempf provided members samples of the Altrusa International **brochure & 'At a Glance' handouts**. The international emblem will not change however a logo is being developed. Tammy Skubinna, Bev McNeil, Charlyn Sparkes, Helen Hansen, Priscilla Greig, Helen Kúpeli, Evelyne Hendrix, Jeanette Maier, Elizabeth Groner, Lupe Maginnis and Judy Juntunen all provided comments on the conference. All were pleased with the event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget 2010-2011 – S. Emenegger reviewed the Foundation/Service Budget for year 2010-2011 as recommended by the board of directors. Tammy Skubinna moved to approve the

Foundation/Service Budget for year 2010-2011 as presented. Janet Magedanz seconded. Juntunen called for questions hearing none called for vote. Oral vote was unanimously approved with no abstentions. J. Magedanz reviewed the Operations budget for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2011. Tammy Skubinna moved to approve the Operations Budget for year 2010-2011 as presented. Karen Mills seconded. Juntunen called for questions hearing none called for vote. Oral vote was unanimously approved with no abstentions. Magedanz reported all 2009-2010 members had re-newed for year 2010-2011.

Installation of Officers – J. Juntunen performed the installation of the 2010-2011 Altrusa International of Corvallis, Oregon officers and new board of directors on behalf of Karen French. French was recognized as the 2010-2011 past-president and thanked for her work. Bettina Schempf, president; Charlyn Sparkes, president elect; Kristy Pribyl vice-president; Mary Lou McLocklin, secretary; new board of director members Lynda Warren, Helen Kùpeli/Judy DeFord were installed. Kùpeli and DeFord will share the appointment. Current officers serving their remainder of their terms are Sharon Emenegger, Service/Foundation treasurer; Janet Magedanz, Operations treasurer; board of directors Sandy Chase and Helen Hansen were recognized. Juntunen then turned the meeting over to new president, B. Schempf who reviewed the dates to remember.

BRAG BASKET: Two brags were contributed to the brag basket.

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 14, 2010; Monday – Flag Day

June 16, 2010; Wednesday – Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon program meeting with new CASA director

June 20, 2010; Sunday – **Father’s Day**

June 23, 2010; Wednesday – Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon board of director & officers meeting

July 3-4, 2010; Saturday-Sunday – Red, White & Blues Festival

July 4, 2010; Sunday – Fourth of July

July 7, 2010; Wednesday – Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon business meeting

CLOSING The Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis closing benediction was recited by the members present.

Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kristy Pribyl, vice-president acting as recording secretary for June 2, 2010 business meeting.

The Program meeting of Altrusa International, Inc of Corvallis, Oregon was called to order at 12:06pm by Bettina Schempf, President, at the Corvallis Country Club, 1850 SW Whiteside in Corvallis, Oregon Member attendance recorded on luncheon tally sheet.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Altrusa Grace was recited by all in attendance followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of Guests: Janet Lincoln, Melissa Leon

Raffle: Two Raffle items were distributed

Announcements/Signup Sheets: Career Closet signup was passed

Elephant Ears/ Karen Mills – DaVinci Days

Karen French passed the sign up for the 5th Wednesday Pottery Class, Wednesday June 30th at the OSU Memorial Union Craft Center

Awards 2009/2010: Karen French – Past President presented awards as she was not able to attend the 6/2/10 Installation/ Business Meeting

Altrusan of the Year – Mary Lou McLocklin

First Year Club Woman – Kristy Pribyl

Program: Maria Chavez-Haroldson – Executive Director at CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocates – Voices for Children in Benton County

Brag Basket: There were three Brags

Dates to Remember:

June 20th **Father’s Day**

June 23 Board of Directors Meeting

June 30 5th Wednesday – Pottery Class

July 3-4 Red, White and Blue Festival

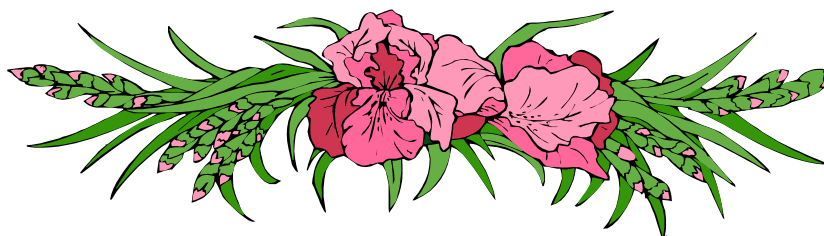
July 7 Business Meeting

July 9-11 Philomath Frolic

July 16-18 DaVinci Days

Closing The Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis closing benediction was recited by the Members present – Meeting was adjourned

Minutes submitted by Mary Lou McLocklin – Recording Secretary



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 23, 2010

A board of directors meeting of Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, Oregon was called to order at 5:35 p.m. at the office of the Benton County Foundation, 343 NW 7th St., Corvallis, Oregon by Bettina Schempf, president, presiding.

PRESENT Sharon Emenegger, Karen French, Helen Hansen, Helen Kúpeli, Janet Magedanz, Kristy Pribyl, Bettina Schempf, Charlyn Sparkes, Lynda Warren. ABSENT Sandy Chase, Judy DeFord, Mary Lou McLocklin

APPROVAL OF MINUTES **B. Schempf requested any changes or corrections to the May 26, 2010 board of directors' minutes. Minutes approved** by acclimation with no corrections or changes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS A. Finance: *Service-Foundation Accounts* –S. Emenegger presented and reviewed the 06/23/10 Service-Foundation Accounts Statement of Cash and Expenses. Emenegger reported the 2010-2011 Yearbook continues to be updated. Emenegger & K. Pribyl will **perform the final review then the yearbook will be emailed by Pribyl to Henderson's for printing. Emenegger reported on an email received from Andrea Thornberry of Soroptomist concerning the Career Closet. She is planning to write grants for the Career Closet. Emenegger and B. Schempf will gather the information requested by Thornberry and reply to her email. Emenegger will inform Mary Lou McLocklin that the new Career Closet brochure has an error in the listed EIN number. A discussion followed on the feasibility of creating a separate 501(c)3 for the Career Closet. Emenegger then presented a request for Who Gets A Check from the Heartland Humane Society for \$152.89 for supplies for their summer 'Camp Catnip' youth pet education program. J. Magedanz moved to approve payment of \$152.89 for the Heartland Humane Society Camp Catnip program supplies. L. Warren seconded. B. Schempf called for discussion. Hearing none Schempf called for a vote. Motion unanimously approved with no abstentions.**

Operations Accounts – J. Magedanz presented and reviewed the newly formatted 06/23/10 Operations Accounts Statement of Cash and Expenses. Magedanz reported one member would not be renewing her membership to Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis, for year 2010-2011 after all. L. Warren inquired where donation checks should be sent. Magedanz reported donations should be made payable to Altrusa International, Inc. of Corvallis Foundation.

B. Service: Elephant Ears – K. French routed a sample of the advertisement for elephant ears being placed on the Altrusa International, Inc of Corvallis website. *Career Closet* – L. Warren reported the committee had met and would not meet again until September.

International Relations – K. French reported the June 1, 2010 International Relations committee meeting. The committee requested that the October program meeting feature the Central Asia Institute and co-founder, **Greg Mortenson's efforts to increase educational opportunities especially for girls in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The committee would like to eventually host Greg Mortenson's at a community event. They also requested the February program meeting feature an update from Lupe Maginnis and Tammy Skubinna on the TOUCH program and the inactive former Altrusa club in the Ukraine. These two meetings should meet one of the Dr. Nina Fay Calhoun award criteria. Literacy** – B. Schempf reported books were purchased for the Oregon Youth Authority. *PEP* – M. Magedanz reported the PEP picnic is ready to go on June 30, 2010 for noon at Avery Park.

5th Wednesday – K. French reported there still were openings for the pottery session on June 30, 2010 at the OSU Memorial Union Craft Center.

C. Membership: K. Pribyl reported the Membership committee meeting with the respective sub-committees will be held July 6th; 5:30 p.m. at the Benton County Foundation office.

D. Communications: K. French reported on the June 16, 2010 meeting. The committee identified five areas of focus for promoting Altrusa. #1) Marketing through website updates; timely contributions to the *Gazette-Times* Good Words and FYI sections; submission to the *Our Town* publication produced by the *Gazette-Times*; printed Altrusa T-shirts for members to wear at all Altrusa fundraisers and community events; placing an elephant ear advertisement with the Dark Side Theater to run during the spring/summer of 2011. #2) Printed materials through printed invitation cards, **District Twelve pamphlets and vinyl lettering on the elephant ear trailer promoting the club's service projects. #3) Identifying distribution sites for Altrusa printed materials such as law offices, funeral homes, estate planner offices. #4) Creating a local tagline and message. The committee created the following tagline/message; "Altrusa is Altruism in Action...people passionately committed to empowering families in our community." This will be included on the t-shirts. #5) Other ideas such as recruiting the EOP staff and scholarship recipients as members or have them help with the Altrusa fundraisers or service projects. Also, contact local youth organizations & school clubs to ask if they would like to partner with Altrusa for the Altrusa service projects.**

E. Bylaws & Policies: No meeting held.

OLD BUSINESS *Strategic Plan* – B. Schempf routed the 1st draft of the 2010-2012 Strategic Plan for board review and input. Schempf will email the board the final draft.

NEW BUSINESS

Altrusa Birthday Party – H. Hansen requested a date, time & place be set for the Altrusa Birthday Party since the Corvallis Club is to host the event in 2011. Monday; April 11, 2011 at the Corvallis Country Club was identified. Time is to be determined. Altrusa Clubs from Eugene, Roseburg, Newport/Yaquina Bay, Albany, Salem and Lebanon will be invited.

Board Liaisons – B. Schempf reviewed and identified committee liaisons appointments to the board. This will help keep the flow of communication going between the board and the committee members.

Officer training/mentors – No report was given. All Board members were reminded to seek advice from experienced members as needed.

Annual Past President Picnic – August 18, 2010, Wednesday evening, was set for the past presidents picnic. The event will be at the KOA Campground owned by Priscilla & Mike Greig east of Corvallis on Hwy 20/34. Time is to be determined.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (continued)

Service Development – B. Schempf reported that she is planning to hold a Service Development meeting. After discussion it was decided to include the whole membership by holding the meeting at the next Program meeting in July.

Program Meeting topics – C. Sparkes reviewed the 2010-2011 program meetings. July program will cover Corvallis Altrusa local service history & service development; August will be the past presidents’ picnic; September program will focus on children literacy issues and World Literacy Day; October program will cover the Central Asia Institute; November program is open for member input; December program will be the holiday party; January 2011 program will cover the history of the Benton County Foundation; February program will cover updates on TOUCH and the inactive Ukraine Altrusa club; March & April program meetings are open for member input; May program meeting will be presentation of the 2011-2012 scholarships; June program will be the officer initiations.

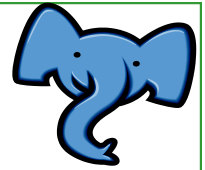
REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

B. Schempf will provide the updated Strategic Plan via email board of director meeting.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Next meeting: July 28, 2010; 5:30 p.m.; Location: Benton County Foundation, 343 NW 7th St., Corvallis. Submitted by Kristy Pribyl, vice-president acting as recording secretary.

It’s Elephant Ears Season again!



Summer is here and Elephant Ears are on sale again. Please contact Karen Mills to volunteer. She will let you know what time slots are open. Invite your family and friends to come purchase a local sweet treat! The first event is the Red, White and Blues Festival, July 3 and 4 quickly followed by Philomath Frolic July 9-11 and daVinci Days July 16-18. Summer is here. Time to raise some ‘Funds!’



CLUB T-SHIRTS

Orders for the new Corvallis Altrusa t-shirts are still being taken. You can pick the style of shirt (golf shirt/crew neck/short sleeve/long sleeve) and have the new logo placed on it. Call or email Bettina Schempf with your order ASAP.



Article from Good Words Section of Gazette-Times, Saturday June 26, 2010

http://www.gazettetimes.com/news/local/people/article_12d1e11c-8102-11df-95b6-001cc4c002e0.html

“Community helping kids get head start

Another school year has ended for Kidco Head Start.

Thank you to the businesses that provided wonderful educational field trips; to our longtime volunteer Jan Weir and to our foster grandparent, Patricia Ungefug.

Special thanks to the Altrusa Club members who work with Grass Roots Books & Music to provide a book for each child and books for the classrooms of the Corvallis and Philomath centers.

Members not only provide books, they also dedicate a portion of their day to reading to kids, charming not only the children but our staff as well!

Sue Tangeman, for Kidco Head Start staff’

Editor’s note:

Hi All,

Helen Küpeli and I are splitting the newsletter editor duties up. I will create the newsletter from July through January 2011. Helen will take over from February—**July 2011**. So ... **for this fall and winter please email or mail any ‘news’** to me by the last Friday of the month for inclusion in the next issue. Contributions to the monthly newsletter are always welcome.

Thank You! Kristy Pribyl

Latest on Our Ladies

Molly Bloomfield had a wonderful trip to Spain & Portugal with her sister & brother-in-law. She really loved the warm and friendly Portuguese (and the Port!). If you are interested in seeing her photos, send her an email.

Nancy Davis & husband Don experienced a very special vacation time this year driving through 7 states, 3 National Parks and attending the graduation of grandson Jack from Santa Clara Law School. His specialty will be Patent Law. They also enjoyed visiting with their three families which includes 6 grandchildren.

President Bettina Schempf was going to cycle up Mt St. Helens on June 19 but the plan was changed by the weather. Rain and cold kept them off the bike and they drove up into the rain and clouds. She reports that was still worth it!. The elevation difference is 6,200 ft.

Jean Peters had a busy high school graduation weekend running up and down I-5. Granddaughter Meagan graduated June 12 from Squalicum High School in Bellingham, Washington. Then Jean and husband Pete rushed back to **Corvallis the next day for granddaughter Nikki's graduation from Crescent Valley High School on June 14. Next fall, Meagan will attend the University of Southern California and Nikki will enter the University of Hawaii.**

Janet Holcomb and five other members of the Benton County Adult Treatment Court staffing team went to Boston the first week of June for the National Association Of Drug Court professionals annual training conference. The team was honored at the conference as one of ten Model Treatment Courts in the nation. For the next three years, our Adult Drug Treatment Court will serve as a mentor court for other treatment courts around the country who want to establish the best practices. In addition to the conference, the team had some time to explore Boston, walking the Freedom Trail (and almost getting struck by lightening at the Bunker Hill memorial), visiting the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library & Museum and going to a Red Sox game at Fenway

Park. Too bad Jacoby Ellsbury was hurt and didn't get to play.

Helen Küpeli and husband Mehmet took a few days off to go hiking and camping south of Paisley. The weather was great for a few days, but finally got so cold at night (their dogs were shivering all night and they found ice in **the teapot one morning!**) **that they decided to come home. The rest of the vacation wasn't that good since Helen then had to go down to Sutherlin and put her mother in the hospital for a few days. A public service announcement here...for those of you who live alone, if you have an "I've fallen and can't get up" pendant, don't take it off! Helen's mother did, fell out of bed and ended up stuck on the floor for three days until Helen got back from her trip. The silver lining to the experience was that Helen's older brother came up from Southern California and they had a chance to catch up on the latest family news.**

Submitted by Evelyn Hendrix

Dates to Remember

- July 3-4, 2010: Red, White and Blues Festival
- July 4, 2010: Fourth of July
- July 7, 2010: Business Meeting
- July 9-11, 2010: Philomath Frolic
- July 16-18, 2010: da Vinci Days
- July 21, 2010: Program Meeting
- July 28, 2010: Board of Directors Meeting

