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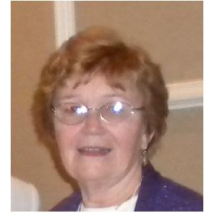
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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



*Greetings!*

*What a summer it has been! I'm hoping everyone in District One has enjoyed the fine weather we have had as summer comes to an abrupt end and Altrusa gears up again! Summer is a time for leisure, BUT many of our clubs have been meeting for fun get togethers and committee meetings so that September starts at a dead run!*

*District had the awesome pleasure of chartering a new club in the Greater Hartford area on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to Gay Douglas and the Northeastern Connecticut Club, it was a fantastic evening. So much enthusiasm! Past governors Terri Houston, Ann Marie Snyder, Bobbi Tundermann and Jennifer Kensel were there with their greetings. Many other Altrusans came to wish them well! It was a great evening.*

*In August, the District Board met at "Camp Altrusa" and Past Governor Joanne Doherty proved to be a fantastic hostess. Your Board discussed all things Altrusa and discussed club visits. There's lots to talk about when we make our visits. Hopefully, your club president has been contacted to set them up.*

*The Board welcomes Anne Rash from the Northeastern Connecticut Club as our Foundation Liaison. You will find information on Altrusa Foundation here in the DSB. Remember too, that August is time for Club 21 renewal. There will be information on Foundation at our Annual Workshop November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Nashua, New Hampshire as well. The workshop is being hosted by the Merrimack Valley club. Sign up information for the workshop is enclosed, and I recommend you make your reservations early! The Board has voted to have some ASTRA members in attendance. This looks like a day no one will want to miss! AND the theme this year will be "THE NEW FACES OF VOLUNTEERISM".*

*I have sent a form from Cathy Baybutt (Carroll County) to the presidents asking that it be filled out with information to be put into our web page at International. The sooner the information is finalized, the sooner we will get up and running.*

*Remember to submit your Make a Difference Day projects to District and International. This year it is on October 27<sup>th</sup>. I know all clubs make a difference all the time!*

*It looks as if we will have a busy year! I am looking forward to it! Please stay in touch with District. We are ALL here to help and to keep you informed. Wishing each and every one of you a productive year. Remember that it is important to enjoy what you are doing. Smiles and love,*

*Susannah*

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***"Volunteers are not paid --  
not because they are  
worthless, but because  
they are priceless."***

***- Unknown***



**SAVE THE DATE!**

November 3, 2012  
Fall Workshop  
*Hosted by*  
Altrusa International of Merrimack Valley, MA

April 25 - 26, 2013  
District One Spring Conference  
*Hosted by*  
Altrusa International of Bangor, ME

April 26 - 29, 2013  
International Conference  
Roturua, New Zealand

April 23 - 27, 2014  
District One Spring Conference  
*Hosted by*  
Altrusa International of Bermuda



# CLUB 21



## **Altrusa International Foundation's Program Supporting Children with HIV/AIDS**

The Altrusa International Foundation's Club 21 Program was established in 1997 to support children with HIV/AIDS. HIV/AIDS is a global epidemic, affecting people in all countries and from all walks of life, but innocent children bear the brunt of this disease. Club 21 gives Altrusans the opportunity to extend their hands to these children and their families. With an annual contribution of \$21.00 (US) or more to the Altrusa International Foundation, you will become a member of Club 21. As a member, you will receive the special gold and white Club 21 pin, signifying your participation in a program of which Altrusans are proud. Since its inception, Club 21 has funded Safe Haven Camps for children with HIV/AIDS. Camp Safe Haven is free of charge to the children, and the entire staff of professionals and volunteers donate their time and services. Funding from Club 21 also sponsors the Ghana Health Education Initiative in Africa which provides HIV/AIDS education to a population that badly needs it.

At the Conference in April, we will hear first-hand about recent Club 21 activities from our keynote speaker, Dave Butler, the founder and CEO of Camp Safe Haven. Did you know that our own Sandra Jarvinen for Altrusa International of Plymouth County was International Foundation Chair in 1986 when Altrusa formed the partnership? You will hear more as we get closer to the Conference. But it will certainly be exciting to have him with us!

***To join or renew your Club 21 Membership, simply fill out the form below or visit the Altrusa International website to download a form.***

An annual contribution of \$21.00 (US) or more is requested to be a member of Club 21

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Altrusa International of \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed (make check payable to Altrusa International Foundation, Inc.)

Charge to: VISA    MASTERCARD (circle one)    Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **NEW MEMBER**

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Your cancelled check or credit card statement will serve as your receipt of your contribution. All Club 21 renewal contributions will be listed in the Altrusa International Foundation's Annual Report. You will receive the special "Club 21" pin for your initial contribution. Gifts to the Altrusa International Foundation, Inc. from United States citizens and companies are tax deductible. Mail your donation to:

**Altrusa International Foundation, Inc., 332 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1123, Chicago, IL 60604-4305**

## **NEW MEMBERS FOR YOUR CLUB**

### **A Message from the District Membership Chair, Denise Martin**

It's the beginning of another fun Altrusa year and time to begin planning for how we are going to add members to our clubs. Will this be the year that your club decides to hold a Volunteer Forum? This award-winning community event, all packaged and ready to go for us by the Meredith club, is a great way to gain new members, and to get the Altrusa name out strongly in the volunteer community as the event sponsor. April – National Volunteer Month and also Add An Altrusan Month – is the perfect time to hold this event, but the legwork to begin the organizing to hold a spring event is this fall. If you need the detailed information again on running a Volunteer Forum, please contact committee member Denise Doyle.

Did you know that the newest Altrusa International club is in Washington County, Arkansas? They held their charter ceremony this week, with 22 new members. There is also a new club this year in Golden Valley, California as well as our District One's proud new Greater Hartford, Connecticut club. So, Altrusa is growing, as 14 clubs have regained their charter strength, including our own Bermuda club, and 8 clubs are close to regaining charter strength. In just the month of July, we had 119 new members overall join Altrusa! Woohoo for re-branding, it's working! Keep up the good work spreading the joy of being an Altrusan!

I have a vested interest in Altrusa growing, as I have agreed to serve as the International Membership Chair in the next biennium, 2013 – 2015. The new leadership team is going into planning session next weekend, and one of the incoming team members is male! I tell you this so you will see that Altrusa is really changing, and adding men is one way of getting to the future. These are exciting times, as the face of Altrusa grows and evolves to be ever more diverse, ever more global (Madras, India has regained charter strength!) and ever more strengthened in our purpose!

### **Central Connecticut Club Announces “A NIGHT OUT ON US” Raffle!**



**Tickets: \$5.00 each**

**Grand Prize: Restaurant/Venue gift certificate!  
Other \$25.00 Restaurant gift certificates as well!**

**Drawing will be held December 5<sup>th</sup>  
For ticket information contact: [Elsie.Mathews@bms.com](mailto:Elsie.Mathews@bms.com)**



## CLUB NEWS

### SUMMER DOESN'T SLOW DOWN PORTLAND CLUB

The Altrusa International of Portland club kept busy this summer with several events. On August 18<sup>th</sup>, the club held its annual getaway to Camp Altrusa. The weather was beautiful and a great time was had by all. The club also continues their support of the South Sudan library project. On September 8<sup>th</sup>, they will participate in Literacy Day by visiting The Root Cellar and re-stocking the Altrusa bookcase.

On a sad note, the club lost a long-time member this summer, Martin Burke. Club members will remember Martin for his kindness, great gardens and his willingness to help them with their projects in so many ways.



Work progresses on the South Sudan Library, where the Portland banner hangs!

Members of the Portland club enjoy a day at Camp Altrusa!



### NORTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT ANNOUNCES GRANT AWARD

The Northeastern Connecticut club was happy to announce that they have been awarded a \$4,500.00 grant from the Savings Bank of Manchester Foundation. The grant will support continuation of the third grade literacy project, Reach for the World, Read.

The club also participated in two events during the summer. The annual club picnic was held in July. Members, their families and representatives from nine local agencies attended, with the representatives outlining their agencies activities and their work that was accomplished with money that was received from Altrusa.

The second event was the annual Steeplechase Ride to benefit two local agencies, the Covenant Soup Kitchen and Windham Interfaith Ministry. Members of the club supported the event by riding and volunteering for the day. Congratulations to member Ethel Mantzaris, who raised the most money in pledges for her 20 mile ride!



## CLUB NEWS

### **BIDDEFORD-SACO CLUB ENJOYS A NICE SUMMER!**

The Biddeford-Saco club has had a great summer with several club activities keeping them busy. On July 9<sup>th</sup>, the club had a wonderful meal and conversation at the home of Sarah and Denise. The club used the event to catch up, as their June program meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

On August 13<sup>th</sup>, the club enjoyed a “swim and dine” evening at the home of Martha Taylor.

The club continues its support of the local Relay for Life, with the Altrusans for a Cure team raising over \$1,700.00 to date. In addition, Nancy and Denise will be reading luminary names at the event, and the club will be selling hot dogs.

For Make a Difference Day, the club plans on visiting the Young School in Saco and possibly the Biddeford Primary School as well. Sarah Moore will also be delivering books to the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at the Biddeford Primary School.



# DISTRICT ONE WELCOMES NEW GREATER HARTFORD CLUB

On June 23, 2012 we happily welcomed Altrusa International of Greater Hartford as the newest club to join District One. Although the charter date for the club is officially April 28, 2012, a wonderful banquet was held in the early summer to make it all official.

Gay Douglas, New Club Building Chair and District One Governor Susannah Leslie were both present to welcome new club members, Altrusans and guests to this wonderful event. Altrusans from both the Northeastern and Central Connecticut clubs attended to show their support for our newest District One club!

Violet Sims was installed as President of the Greater Hartford Club, which joined District One with twenty members. A great evening was had by all that attended and District One looks forward with great anticipation to the work that will be accomplished by these young and enthusiastic Altrusans!



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New Club Building –

Gay Douglas, Northeastern Connecticut Club

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**DISTRICT ONE FALL WORKSHOP 2012  
REGISTRATION**

***"The New Faces of Volunteerism"***

***Welcome to WORKSHOP 2012!***

*Saturday, November 3, 2012*

*Registration – 8:00 – 8:30 am*

*Workshop – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm*

*Sponsored by*

***DISTRICT ONE & THE MERRIMACK VALLEY CLUB  
NASHUE COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT***

*Early-Bird Registration - \$35.00 (postmarked by October 15<sup>th</sup>)*

*Regular Registration - \$40.00 (postmarked after October 15<sup>th</sup>)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Altrusa Club of \_\_\_\_\_

*Make Checks Payable to:*

District One Altrusa

Mail this registration form and payment in full to:

Rita Cote  
P.O. Box 729  
Bar Mills, ME 04004

Please try to register 2 weeks before the date of the Workshop (October 20<sup>th</sup>)

There will be a free Spring Conference registration drawn from the workshop early-bird registrations!

Walk-in registrations will be accepted.

**ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT ONE WORKSHOP  
HOTEL SPONSOR**

**COURTYARD AT MARRIOTT  
220 SOUTHWOOD DRIVE  
NASHUA, NH 03063-1802**

**For those wishing to make reservations for November 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup>:**

**Call directly to:**

**MARRIOTT RESERVATIONS  
1-800-321-2211  
OR  
(603)-880-9100**

**On or Before:  
Tuesday, October 2, 2012**

**To secure the discounted rate of \$89.00 + tax per double room**

**Guests MUST identify yourself as  
District One Altrusa International  
Staying at the  
COURTYARD, NASHUA\***

***\*NO reservations will be held unless secured by the above method. Reservations may be guaranteed with a major credit card.***

**THANK YOU!**

*District would like to thank the following clubs for their recent contributions to the banners and website:*

**BANNERS**

Biddeford-Saco – Carroll County – Fall River – Laconia – Litchfield County – Meredith – Merrimack Valley – Northeastern CT – Plymouth County – Portland  
Quincy – Seacoast

**WEBSITE**

Biddeford-Saco – Carroll County – Fall River – Plymouth County – Seacoast

***Any club able to make a \$50.00 donation towards the cost of the banners or a \$100.00 donation towards the cost of the website may forward their donation to:***

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