



June 2022 Altrusagram

Upcoming Dates



Tuesday, July 19th
and
Tuesday, August 16th
Sue's Supper at RMcD
House volunteer
opportunity

Sunday, July 24th to
Sunday, August 21st
Books-A-Million book drive,
supporting our service
projects

Friday, August 19th
All newsletter
articles due
(there will be no July
newsletter)

Next business meeting
after summer hiatus is
Wednesday,
September 7th
via Zoom

Saturday, Nov 12th
District One Workshop
Marriott Courtyard hotel
in Cromwell, CT

from the President:



As our gardens have started to bloom, and so has our Club with our new Board of Directors and our three new members. We had a wonderful Installation of Officers held in Karen Valley's backyard. Thank you Karen for your generous hospitality. District Governor, Pamela Lemieux, was the master of ceremonies of the event with her witty commentary for each officer. Thank you Pam for once again mc'ing the installation. Although it was a chilly evening, we were warmed by the fire pit and with our friendship.

The International Service Committee has challenged Altrusa Clubs to a 1 Million Books Service Challenge to donate 500 books or 500 literacy service hours for this biennium. The first year, I'm delighted to report, Altrusa Club of Portland has donated 2400 books and we still have one more year to go. WAY TO GO PORTLAND CLUB. Please post your service hours.

The theme for the next two years is "Together in Service". A big thank you to you the members, who serve in so many ways to improve our community; to the Committee Chairs for taking on committee responsibilities; and to Judith Reidman who once again has agreed to be the Parliamentarian.

I am honored to be your President and look forward to getting to know each of you better.

Have a wonderful summer.

Wanda

*"Alone we can do so little; together we
can do so much." – Helen Keller*



Altrusa is an international non-profit organization, making our communities better through leadership, partnership, and service.

Who We Are...

The 2022 - 2023 Board

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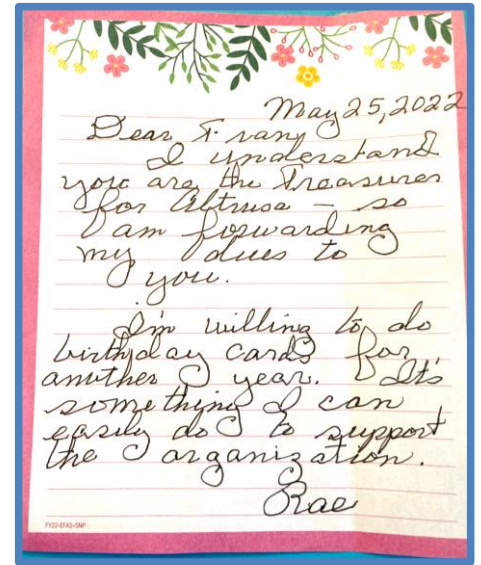
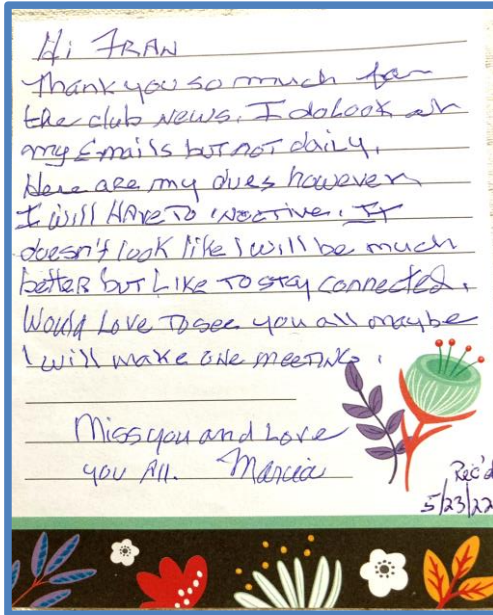
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The 2022/2023 Committees

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Andrea Doherty
Christine Johnson (Co-chair)
Sarah Labonte
Debbie Lemieux (Co-chair)

MEMBERSHIP

Rae Clark-McGrath
Patricia Maxim (Co-chair)
Ann Smith
Karen Valley (Co-chair)

SOCIAL

Fran Breton (Co-chair)
Sharon Davis (Co-chair)
Andrea Doherty
Joanne Doherty
Carol Spector

FINANCE

Karen Arnold
Nicki Griffin
Fran Jensen (Chair)
Pam Lemieux
Marcia Marley
Marie Pike
Judith Reidman
Wanda Pettersen

SERVICE

Anita Chandler (Co-chair)
Gerry Dongo
Fran Dyro
Nicki Griffin
Martha Gross (Co-chair)
Arlene Hanson
Susan King
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Installation of the 2022 - 2023 Board



District One Governor Pam Lemieux installs Wanda Pettersen as Club President (left) and Karen Valley as Vice President (right)



Board members (left to right): VP Karen V, Secretary Trish M, Director Fran B, Treasurer Fran J, Club President Wanda P and Immediate Past President Debbie L. Not pictured are Foundation President Anita C, Director Sharon D and Parliamentarian Judith R.



Wanda's sponsor Fran Breton puts the President's pin on Wanda.

Club members enjoy Karen V's backyard and firepit.



Our Service Projects...

The 2021-22 year ended with another successful dinner at the Ronald McDonald House on Tuesday, lead by Marie P who was joined by Anita C and Martha G - there is a real shortage of guest chefs for the RMD House so continuing this service project is so very important and greatly appreciated. Ann S will be reaching out to the club for August and September chefs!

Thanks to everyone's fundraising efforts, Scholarships have again been awarded to local schools. We have information on two of the recipients. The committee feels the Club should be more involved in the awards process and we will develop plans with the schools to help this process this coming year.

The Service committee met on Wednesday June 15 to begin planning for the coming year. We are just awaiting information on how the Books Behind Bars project can work this coming year, as well as Bags of Hope for Milestone - COVID made so many adjustments on how we can continue these worthwhile projects and we SHALL keep everyone posted. ABC at our 4 school systems will continue and a new supply of books should flow in with another Book Drive sponsored by Books A Million from July 24 to August 21 - more info to follow on volunteer opportunities there.

Hope you all have a spectacular summer!

-- Nicki G



Clockwise, from top:
Anita C, Marie P and Martha G whipping up a meal at the Ronald McDonald House



Deering High recipient of the Mary Stiles award

Sara Dhalia was also honored By Portland Arts and Technology School because of her studies in the Early Childhood Program.

Sara was born in Kentucky to immigrant parents; mother from Somalia and father from Yemen. When her parents' marriage ended her mother & children moved to Portland. They settled in the Riverton Community.

Sara credits her mother for signing her up at the Boys and Girls Club there, where she became involved with the activities with young children.

She also acted as an interpreter and translator of documents for families because of her fluency in Somali and Arabic.

Working at the clubhouse, tutoring children in the after school program made her realize her passion and love for children. As a junior at Deering she also took classes at PATHS in their Early Childhood Program

She is employed by Portland's recreation department as supervisor of the after school program at Ocean Ave School in Portland. She is responsible for planning and implementing activities for Kdg - 5th grade.

She will be attending The University of Southern Maine in the fall pursuing studies in Social Work

-- Martha G

Casco Bay recipients of the Connie Rickett award

Rexy White has become more involved in Community and Classroom projects. Rexy apparently is creative and is able to showcase their artistic talent. They are participating In Portland Adult Ed classes and will attend SMCC

Liban Ali set some goals for himself in his sophomore year. He joined the wrestling team and focused more on his studies. His senior Final Word essay was his best piece of writing of his high school career. He will be attending USM in the fall.

-- Martha G

*We wish them all the very best
in the years to come.*

other Committees' News

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership committee thanks everybody who paid their dues to renew their membership in Altrusa. With the loss of Nadeen Daniels and Roberta Morrill from our headcount for the 2022-2023 year; and the addition of Karen Arnold, Toni Irish, and Katie Lamb who were each initiated on May 18, 2022 -- our new headcount would be 31. But if the officers are successful in reclassifying one member to EMERITUS, that will bring our headcount back down to 30.

The rule for determining Delegates & Alternates to District Conferences and International Conventions is: "One Delegate & One Alternate for every 15 members or part there-of." So -- 30 members means 2 Delegates & 2 Alternates; 31 means 3 of each.

--Trish M

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee did not have a meeting last month, but we are working "furiously" to conclude the 2021-2022 budget year, so that we can share the Year End Report with all of you. Thanks to everyone for sending in their 2022-23 yearly dues.

We have forwarded our dues to International and District.

Just a reminder to those of you who have ongoing expenses for the Club, please submit the receipts to the Treasurer as soon as is convenient so that we can reimburse you promptly, and you can cash your checks 😊

We shall take a "little" break for the Summer ☀️😊, although as I write this it is 56°F outside!
OHOO I forgot it doesn't actually start until day after tomorrow 😊
Lots of sunshine to you all

-- Fran J



Websites to Know

Altrusa International
<https://www.altrusa.org>

Altrusa Foundation
<https://www.altrusa.org/foundation>

District One
<https://districtone.altrusa.org>

Portland club
<https://www.altrusaportlandgivesbooks.org>

Program Meetings Location

The Votes are in ! Thank you all who voted.
The results were:

St. Peters 13
Parkers 4
Clarion one meal option 1

Our September Program Meeting will be located at St. Peters.

Stay tuned for more information as we get closer to September.

-- Wanda P

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Club 21 - Have you contributed?

The Club 21 Program is committed to supporting programs for children affected by disease and disabilities; as well as international healthcare curriculum. As members of Club 21, we are given an opportunity to extend a hand to these children and families. Support Club 21 by donating \$21 per year. Go to the International Foundation website to make your donation.

ASTRA



Ability
Service
Training
Responsibility
Achievement

Lake Region High School graduation was on Sunday, June 5th. These pictures are from the front page of the June 9th edition of our local, weekly "Bridgton News". On the top half of the front page are the two ASTRA members you met at our Membership Drive in November at the Clarion Hotel: Brooke Toole - Recipient of our Altrusa Scholarship & President of her class; Kathryn (Kate) Rose - Valedictorian.

On the lower half of that same page is: Rebecca (Becca) Caron - President of ASTRA & Salutatorian.

If you could read their Bio's, you'd learn that each one of them is also a very active athlete. Similar to Altrusa, ASTRA seems to attract members who are already very busy people.

-- Trish M



Where we get our favorite summer treats...

Admitting that I don't like crowds ..I like 2 places in Harpswell, one called Erica's for a "crabster" and then the Dolphin for chowder and blueberry muffin.
Gerry



Happy summer! There are so many great local restaurants, but Dimillo's on the Portland Waterfront is probably my favorite. Also, in Windham, Bob's Seafood restaurant. Haha Haddock is always fresh and very tasty at both places.
Joanne

My favorite place for summer food is Ken's Place.....love the clam cakes.
Wanda

Mine is always DiMillo's all year long. Ice cream it would be Beals
Judith

Kettle cove creamery for coffee heath bar ice cream.
Love Susan

Mainely Custard in Freeport.
Ann B

Oh my, just one! Ken's with friends for clams and lobster rolls or Beal's for ice cream!
Anita

My favorite 'summertime restaurant' is Ken's at Pine Point. I just love the fried clams in batter and while they have a good lobster roll, I sometimes mix it up and get a crabmeat roll instead. Yummy!
Pam L

I love to take summer guests to Luke's Lobster on Portland Pier - the views from any seat in the restaurant, and especially from the patio, are really fun and interesting as you can see so much going on in the Harbor. Plus the seafood is great and locally harvested!
Nicki



...my favorite summertime restaurant is DiMillo's on the deck.
Fran B

a favorite summertime go-to among many: Veranda Kitchen Vietnamese Restaurant in Westbrook - outside deck under the big tree ☺
Karen



When I first saw this question I decided I needed to think about it. Then forgot. Five Islands lobster Company in Georgetown. Going on a bright day is best, but it is still a beautiful spot on a cool and not-too-foggy day. Order and sit on their deck overlooking the water. We try to go in the shoulder seasons before/after the height of tourist season and before they close for the winter because parking is at a premium. My go-to is a baked haddock sandwich with a crab cake on top. So delicious!
Christine

I'm all about ice cream! Papas' in Standish.
Toni

The Lobster Shack and DiMillo's
Arlene

Other Things



CLYNK MONEY

Please continue to fill up the green Altrusa CLYNK bags.

Here's how to dispose:

1. drop them off at your local Hannaford's
2. drop the bags off at Pam Lemieux's house
3. bring to a meeting and give to Pam.

KEEP THE MONEY COMING!



AMAZON SMILE MONEY

If you are shopping on-line consider using Amazon Smile, with Altrusa International Foundation of Portland, Maine as your choice of nonprofit. For instructions see the November 2020 Altrusagram or contact the Finance Committee. The 0.5% of sales adds up if we all participate! Invite your friends to do the same.



The deadline for the Altrusagram articles each month is the end of day on the Friday after the program meeting. Sending things before then is fine too!

Editor Marie Pike pikerino2@aol.com

SERVICE HOURS

Debbie Lemieux has updated the service hours input data. Don't forget to input your Service Hours.

Copy and paste this link into your browser:

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July Birthdays

Marie Pike
Marcia Marley
Susan King
Carol Spector

August Birthdays

Wanda Pettersen
Toni Irish

Happy Birthday!



Each Raffle Entry is ONLY \$10
All Entries are eligible for EVERY daily drawing – 31 Chances to win a PRIZE!!!
All raffle proceeds support York Community Service Association, Birchtree Center, Peace Greeters, CAP, Footprints Food Pantry and other Service/Library Projects.

August 2022			
1 Openair Playhouse 2 Ties \$160	3 A Welcome Haven-outdoor Yoga-Aug/Sept. \$100	4 Maine Lobster Outlet \$100 CASH	5 Slam Mello Thai Restaurant \$100 CASH
Greenleaves Chinese Restaurant \$20	Norma's Restaurant \$25 Coles Corner Gift Shop \$10	Maline Diner \$30 Therapeutic Massage \$80	Woodland Farms Brewery \$25
7 Fender's Clam bake for 2 \$120	8 Take Flight Aerial Adventure for 2 \$88	9 Sagar's Window Decorating Shop \$75	10 The Crown Haven-Yoga 1 month \$50
Daily Trading Co. \$25	Dante's Pizzeria \$30 Dunne's Ice Cream \$15	York Recreation Dept. \$50 Norma's Restaurant \$25	11 The Crown Haven-Yoga 1 month \$50
14 Kathy Guernard Silvernail "earnings" \$75	15 Westhervane Lobster Bake for 2 \$100	16 Heads Up Hairdressing "products" \$75	17 Key Fork "The Weekly" \$60
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar \$30 York House of Pizza \$25	18 Barnes & Noble \$25 Chubb's Subs & Bakery \$20	My Winery Sister \$25 Anthony's Food Shop \$25	19 YCSA Store \$50 Fat Tomato \$25
21 23 Street Beads "gold necklace & earrings" \$75	22 York Art Association Gallery \$50	23 A Welcome Haven-private Yoga \$50	24 Signature Pottery Shop \$100
Clay Hill Farm 2-125 gift cards Seacoast Bros. Butchers \$20	24 Bangkok Beach Bistro \$40 Chubb's Subs & Bakery \$20	25 YCSA Store \$50 Finch's Hot Dogs \$25	26 Grill 28 - \$28 Whispering Sand's Sweat-shirt \$42 Central Bean Bakery \$25
28 Curry Park 2 miles off season \$500	29 Marble Desk Clark & Esal \$90 Hannaford \$25 Chubb's Subs & Bakery \$20	30 GOLDEN HARVEST Produce \$80 Cindy's Nails \$45 CARL'S meat market \$50	31 Cummings Lamont Mahanue \$100 CASH Silver Jewelry \$75
		Thank You!	Altrusa of the Seacoast

Support the Seacoast Altrusa club by buying a raffle ticket. Lots of great prizes!
To buy a raffle, email Penny Eldridge at onecent.peni@gmail.com

Mark your calendar for these Future District & International Events

District One Workshop

November 12, 2022 at the Marriott Courtyard in Cromwell, CT
to be hosted by the Greater Hartford club

District One Conference

April 21 - 23, 2023

Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport, Me
to be hosted by the Greater Biddeford/Saco club

International Convention

July 19 - 22, 2023
San Antonio, Texas