

ALTRUSA WAVES

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Words from our President

Tina Rhodes

November is here – it seems to have arrived quickly this year. Could that be because we've been SO busy? Our MADD fall carnival was a ton of fun – and we had a great turnout. We

gave away care bags for the moms, along with beautiful flower bouquets donated to Good Sam's. Kids were able to get a Halloween tote bag to fill with candy, books, prizes, etc. The games were a lot of fun, bounce houses were a blast, and our own Garland Police and Fire departments showed up. Everyone enjoyed the music with DJ Mark. Overall, Altrusa had a fantastic MADD event partnering with Good Sam's and we hope this will be a long-standing tradition. Check out our photos on Facebook for a glimpse of the festivities.

Our District Nine fall leadership conference will be held in Duncanville on Saturday, November 12th. This will be a great time to learn more about the activities in District Nine, and it will also be a great time to network with other clubs. I think we have 8-9 members who have signed up for this event so I'm excited about the representation Garland will bring to this event.

Be on the lookout for more events on the schedule with Community Service. I really appreciate the response we had with book fair volunteers. We're fully staffed now which will help these events go on without a hitch. The kids will really have a lot of fun, and we know that GISD educators appreciate the support.

Keep up the great work, Altrusans. We volunteer our time and energy in SERVICE of our community, giving our gifts and talents where we can. I may be biased, but Garland ROCKS!

In Service,
Tina

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Nov 10 | Business Meeting, 6 PM, Holiday Inn |
| Nov 12 | District Nine Fall Leadership Event Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Duncanville |
| Nov 20 | Book Club at Wildwood |
| Nov 24 | Thanksgiving Day |
| Nov 29 | Board Meeting via Zoom |
| Dec 5 | Book Fair at Weaver Elementary |
| Dec 8 | Business Meeting, 6 PM, Holiday Inn Holiday Party |



The Book Fair Crew for Daugherty included Shirley Raymer, Mary Powlen, Debbie Summerville, Jan McCorstin, Rita Johnson, Betty Sainz & Barbara Powers. Altrusans who assisted in the planning and were there in spirit Stephanie Noland & Rhonda Schmid. We gave out 720 books to the students of Daugherty!

MEETING INFORMATION

Community Service Committee

is responsible for leading the Altrusa Accent and Pledge at the November 10, 2022 meeting.

GARLAND ALTRUSA IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL: Altrusa.org

Committee Happenings

Communications

Directories will be distributed at the November business meetings. If you are unable to get your directory by then, please contact Betty Sainz and she will get it to you.

Committee CHAIRS need to submit newsletter articles the last week of every month to Betty Sainz. Please help us get the correct information to our members.

Community Service

Weaver Book Fair

We need at least 4-5 Altrusans to commit to each of our book fairs. Everyone (teachers, students, administrators, librarians, and Altrusans) enjoy these events, but they can't happen without US! Please mark your calendars and make plans to participate in the Weaver Elementary book fair on December 5th. Look for updates on the time.

Make a Difference Day at Good Samaritan Fall FUN-fest

This was a great success. There were approximately 175 in attendance and 11 Altrusans who volunteered. Other volunteers included the Garland Police Department, Garland Fire Department, San-Tex Catering, Triton Comfort Dog and Lutheran Church Charities. We gave out 50 "mommie" bags and the remaining were donated to Lutheran Church Charities. Each "mommie" bag contained items for pampering. Mom's were also treated with a bouquet of flowers (donated by Walmart). The children participated in games, facepainting, getting tattoos, selecting their a favorite book and enjoyed bounce houses. All who came had free hotdogs and were able to listen to the DJ and dance.

Special thanks to the service committee for all their help in making this a success.

Thanksgiving Meal Bags

Please bring your decorated grocery bags to the Business Meeting on Thursday. If you are unable to turn these in at the Thursday meeting, please take them to Good Samaritans by Friday, November 11.

We will also be giving away books along with the Thanksgiving meal distribution at Good Sam's, but will not be adding them to the bags. We will provide sorted books to Good Sam's staff and the families will be able to select appropriate books for the children in their family.

Membership

Orientation will be scheduled for our newest members this month. Be on the lookout for a Zoom meeting invitation and know that, in addition to new members and sponsors, all Altrusans are welcome to attend this training ~ just in case you would like a refresher!

Programs

Altrusa Garland will be welcoming Debbie Rima from Garland Overnight Warming Station (GLOWS) to our November meeting. A critically important agency in our community, GLOWS provide a space for our unhousted neighbors during the coldest nights during winter. We will collect "warmth" at this meeting to donate to their mission. Please bring new or gently used scarves, hats, gloves and/or new socks if you're able. Anything we are able to provide will be helpful.

Upcoming Birthdays

- Nov 8 Rhonda Schmid
- Nov 17 Brenda Gardner (Emeritus)
- Dec 2 Mary Helen Vollimer (Emeritus)
- Dec 9 Wendy Sheriff



Altrusa Reads Book Club

November's selection is *Daisy Jones & the Six*. Meeting and discussion will be at Wildwood Firewheel on Sunday, November 20 at 4 PM.

Synopsis:

A gripping novel about the whirlwind rise of an iconic 1970s rock group and their beautiful lead singer, revealing the mystery behind their infamous break up.

Everyone knows Daisy Jones & The Six, but nobody knows the real reason why they split at the absolute height of their popularity...until now.

Daisy is a girl coming of age in L.A. in the late sixties, sneaking into clubs on the Sunset Strip, sleeping with rock stars, and dreaming of singing at the Whisky a Go-Go. The sex and drugs are thrilling, but it's the rock and roll she loves most. By the time she's twenty, her voice is getting noticed, and she has the kind of heedless beauty that makes people do crazy things.

Another band getting noticed is The Six, led by the brooding Billy Dunne. On the eve of their first tour, his girlfriend Camila finds out she's pregnant, and with the pressure of impending fatherhood and fame, Billy goes a little wild on the road.

Daisy and Billy cross paths when a producer realizes the key to supercharged success is to put the two together. What happens next will become the stuff of legend.



Member Updates

Keep Sue Floyd in your thoughts and prayers as she is going through some tough medical issues.

Also keep Tina Rhodes and her family in your thoughts and prayers as they grieve over the loss of her father-in-law.

Directory Updates:

Barbara Boyden's apartment number is #328.

Carol Hube's email is now carolhansen1968@gmail.com.

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