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As this is my last article I would like to take some space to thank the people responsible for making our year a success. Betty Lundgren and her committee continue to do a great job with this newsletter. She does need input from all members however so please remember to submit articles. Lorie Bollig was the chair of the awards committee this year and organized the submitting of the articles to District for our many successes in the departments. But without the many hours of work by the chairs and their various committees we would not have had the projects that were ready to be sent in for the awards.

Our entire membership deserves special congratulations for the number of awards that we brought home from Conference. Linda Riba and the service committee have been able to disburse many community grants due to the successes of our fund raising projects. Both Holiday Festival and Spring Luncheon exceeded their planned incomes. The 2009 Golf Tournament was a big success and along with receiving some grant awards and our budgeting, there are now only seven of the discontinued Lifeline units that remain to be replaced. So a great big THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for being with us this year in our Altrusa work. Our membership totals are continuing to increase so word is out in the area as to the good work we do. Even though your name may not have been mentioned please know we appreciate your work and devotion.

When all the service hours were added we had the following totals: 1623.55 service hours; 1740.5 fundraiser hours; 4260 volunteer hours; 1884.5 member hours for a grand total of 9508.55 hours. Quite impressionable for one group of very busy people. Add to this total the dollar amount that we contribute to the area and we all deserve a great big pat on the back.

President-Elect Kaye is planning her year as your leader. Please give her the cooperation and dedication that was given to me during the past twelve months. Montrose is looked up to by the other District Ten Altrusa Clubs and also the International organization. As one of the elite groups, we need to lead by example. With our great group of members this is an easy task.

Roberta Hoey, President, 2009-2010

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Club Business Meeting Minutes April 20, 2010

President Roberta Hoey called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

All members were reminded to silence their cellphones during the meeting.

MINUTES of the previous business meeting were approved as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE by Jeanne Kuchynka. Thank you letters from American Legion Auxiliary #73 and RSVP Colorado West. Five letters for Amanda Lloyd's 4th grade class at Olathe Elementary School thanking Altrusa for Dr Michael Shoulder's school presentation. Letter from Hilltop Tri-County Resources asking us to inform members of the Run for Shelter on April 24, 2010.



TREASURER'S REPORT by Janis Marcha for Bonnie Eakin. March 2010 financials and bills/deposits were reviewed and filed as presented.

FOUNDATION REPORT by Alice Vest. March 2010 financials were reviewed and filed as presented.

PROGRAMS by Kaye Hotsenpiller

April 27 – Earth Day Luncheon

May 4 – RSVP Colorado West presentation by Sherry Faith

May 25 – Installation of new officers

June 1 – Altrusa Anniversary Party

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BIRTHDAYS! BIRTHDAYS! BIRTHDAYS!

The Courtesy Committee thought it would be nice to include a Happy Birthday wish in the newsletter each month for the members with birthdays coming up in the following month. That way, in case you (or they) miss a meeting, you can share birthday wishes personally!

June Birthdays:

Evelyn Lawson	June 5
Jana Ackerman	June 10
Mary Snyder	June 18
Joey Montoya Boese	June 23
Carolee Hawkins	June 24



Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

MEMBERSHIP by Roberta Hoey for Diane Winger. Application for membership by Jana Ackerman, who is the Program Outreach for Children's Services with the Montrose Regional Library. Her sponsors are Diane Winger and Kylie Smith. Members will have five days to respond with any comments. Susan Bony has been approved for Leave of Absence for the next quarter effective immediately. Membership is 86.

SERVICE by Linda Riba. One grant in the amount of \$250 was approved for Camp Brainiac, which is for exceptional RE-1J students in grades 3 through 8. Remaining grant funds available are \$350.

OLD BUSINESS

Members are asked to sign up for ordering ribbon holders. This order will be sent in shortly and will cost \$18.

Leftover bins and boxes from archives purging will be used for storage at the Elk's storage room.

The leftover tote bags from the luncheon will be used for the upcoming golf tournament.

NEW BUSINESS

The newly formed ACT (Montrose Association of Commerce and Tourism) is looking for committee volunteers.

Club approval of Emeritus status for Sally Senger who is recovering from a recent stroke. This request will be forwarded to the Altrusa District Board for final approval.

We have been asked to participate in the Volunteer kiosk at the Montrose Regional Library. A motion was made and approved to continue getting Altrusa volunteers from our members, friends and family and not participate in this kiosk.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Upcoming Programs & Activities - Plan to Attend, Volunteer or Participate!

May 25, 2010: New Officer Installation

June 1, 2010: 35TH Anniversary Party. Special Luncheon during our meeting!

June 5, 2010: Golf Tournament—See the Poster on Page 8 of this newsletter. We still need sponsors, donations and TEAMS to play! Call Diane Winger (252-0537) to sign up today!

DISTRICT TEN CONFERENCE

Colorado Springs, CO

April 29-May 1, 2010



Each year at our District Ten Conference, awards are given for service projects, club membership achievements, club communication, and more. Altrusa of Montrose is very proud to have been honored with the following awards for the 2009/2010 year:

Mamie L. Bass Service Award - 1st Place for our Lifeline project

Nina Fay Calhoun International Relations Award - 1st Place for multiple projects, including Pennies for Peace, supporting a school in Nepal, American Flag exchange, and Kiva micro-loans

Distinguished Club Award - for our activity and productivity at every level of program involvement, including Service, Programming, Membership, Leadership and Communication - this is our 17th consecutive year of earning this designation

District Ten Membership Award, Membership Net Gain Award, and Hazel Henderson Membership Award - 1st Place for all *three* awards recognizing the most new members, the most net gain in membership, and the percentage of membership gain

Yearbook Award - 1st Place

Website Award - 2nd Place for this club website

Newsletter Award - 2nd Place

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DISTRICT TEN CONFERENCE (continued)

In addition to Club awards, Altrusa members **Donna Herman** (District Ten Governor-Elect) and **Elaine Moore** were recognized for having sponsored two new members during the past year.

And last, but most certainly not least, **Donna Herman** received the prestigious [Governor's Award](#), which is given to just one individual in the District each year for outstanding service and positive impact on his/her local Altrusa Club and at the District and International levels as well as other community involvement. We are very proud of Donna and her dedication to Altrusa and to our community. She is an inspiration to all of us.



TICKLED PINK IN MONTROSE! The Montrose Altrusa attendees to Conference gave a rousing invitation to all District Ten Clubs and their members to join us in Montrose for 2011 Conference. District Ten Governor-Elect, Donna Herman (at right), was the “centerpiece” of the show! They shared a reprise of their performance with us at a Club meeting on May 4th.



ALTRUSA PROVIDES \$10,050 IN GRANTS

As we wrap up our 2009/2010 fiscal year, Altrusa of Montrose is pleased to report that we funded **\$10,050** in grant requests to organizations in our region. This does not take into account all the other service projects and other pre-designated grants and scholarships provided by our many Service committees.



2009/2010 Grants

American Leg. Aux. #73 Girls State - \$300 - Help send three participants to Girls State
BC Boys & Girls Club Keystone Group - \$250 - Keystone Group trip to National Conference
Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club - \$500 - One-time request for emergency operating funds
Bosom Buddies - \$500 - Event sponsor
Camp Brainiac - \$250 - Supplies and operating costs
Christ's Kitchen - \$500 - General financial support for program
Community Options - \$500 - General financial support for program
Dolphin House - \$500 - General financial support for program
Dream Catcher Therapy Center - \$200 - Equine-assisted therapy program expenses
Habitat for Humanity - \$500 - Assist with ReStore storage expansion
Hospice Camp Good Grief - \$225 - Camp art supplies
MAPA Trivia Night - \$80 - Sponsor Altrusa team in Trivia Night fundraiser
MHS Choral Group - \$500 - Assist with travel expenses for 19 students to NYC
MHS Graduation Party - \$300 - 2010 Graduation party for MHS seniors
MHS Knowledge Bowl - \$100 - Sponsor Altrusa team in Knowledge Bowl fundraiser
Monte de Rosas Festival - \$250 - General financial support for event
Montrose Animal Protection Agency (MAPA) - \$50 - Donation toward spay/neuter assistance program
Montrose Arts Council - \$200 - Central City Opera middle school mini-performance
Montrose Community Dinners - \$500 - Presenting Sponsor
Montrose Rotary Club Fireworks display - \$100 - Help defray cost of fireworks
Montrose After School Program - \$500 - General financial support for program
Northside Elementary recycling field trip - 95 - Transportation costs (bus rental and driver)
Partners Challenge Bike Ride - \$200 - General financial support for event
RSVP - \$1,700 - Purchase new computer system
San Juan Western Heritage Festival - \$500 - Co-sponsor event
Women & Children's Health & Safety Fund (V-Day) - \$500 - Underwrite venue for Vagina Monologues performance
Youth Appreciation Day - \$250 - General financial support for event

Thanks to our wonderful Montrose community for the donations and participation in Altrusa's fundraising events each year. Generous contributions make it possible for us to support worthwhile organizations such as the ones we helped this past year.

MONTROSE HIGH SCHOOL AND ALTRUSA TEAM UP FOR "PENNIES FOR PEACE" PROJECT



Montrose High School students have completed several parts of their 2010 Pennies for Peace project, with just one more major fundraising event left for the school year.

On Friday, May 14, all the Pennies for Peace collection jars were collected, taken to Alpine Bank, and the money was counted. A total of \$440.91 was raised during this part of the project. Earlier, the Student Council donated approximately \$250, and still to come is a fundraising concert featuring local bands at Turn of the Century on May 28.

A team of students has been visiting classrooms to talk about their personal reasons for supporting Central Asia Institute's efforts to build and support schools in remote regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan. In late April, five teachers at Montrose High School conducted their classes outdoors on a cold, feels-like-winter day, sitting on the ground, without computers, without whiteboards, and some without pencils or books. Spanish teacher Russell Evans summed up the experience as being "really miserable - so it was great!" Billed as a "Day in the Dirt," the unusual setting was originally suggested by teacher Russell Evans as a way to help students understand the educational conditions described in Greg Mortenson's best-selling book, *Three Cups of Tea*.

Altrusa's International Relations committee is donating an additional \$500 to Pennies for Peace. Altrusans, along with several representatives from the high school project, plan to present the total donation to Greg Mortenson *in person* over Memorial Day weekend in Telluride.

A portion of the monies raised by MHS will be donated for purchasing school supplies for local Montrose students in need next fall. Altrusa has been asked to assist with organizing this portion of the project, since we have often donated school supplies for area children in the past.



ALTRUSA HELPS RAISE FUNDS FOR MONTROSE MEDICAL MISSION

On Sunday, May 16, several Altrusa members (and a spouse and a son) greeted bike riders as they participated in Mission to Ride, handing out fruit and snacks, refilling water bottles, and offering encouragement. The riders were raising funds for Montrose Medical Mission which offers free medical care once per week to uninsured and underinsured members of our community. The medical personnel work without pay, but funds are needed for medicine, lab tests, and equipment.



Altrusa has also provided financial support to the Medical Mission with a grant of \$1,000 per year for 3 years beginning in our 2008-2009 fiscal year.

Altrusa Foundation Golf Tournament
To Benefit *Lifeline*

Saturday, June 5, 2010 * Black Canyon Golf Course
(see Pro Shop to register)



Hole in One on the 9th hole wins a

**2010 TOYOTA
VENZA**

from Turner Toyota

Additional Prizes & Silent Auction items include:

Sand Wedge from Golf Express

**Brinkman Grill from Home Depot
with filled propane tank from Murdoch's**

Fly Rod & Reel from Ross Reels

Lodging at Holiday Inn Express

1 Month Membership at Anytime Fitness

\$150 gift certificate (for business or home painting)
from Estep Decorative Painting

Gift certificate from Otero Jewelers

20-visit Punch Card from Montrose Aquatic Center

Restaurant Gift Certificates from Applebee's, Camp Robber, Chili's, Denny's,

Pahgres, Stone House, and more

Gift Cards from City Market & Safeway

Free Bowling certificates from Rose Bowl

...and much more

**Altrusans will have the opportunity to bid on items at our special
June 1st anniversary luncheon!**

You may also bid on Silent Auction items starting **Thursday, June 3**
at Black Canyon Golf Club.

Anyone may bid - you do not need to be
a registered tournament player!