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Jan 8 2009 - Jun 30 2009

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Aug 6 2009 - Aug 9 2009

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Sunshine Thought

by Judy Armstrong

Annual Meeting, May 21, 2009

I'd rather be a could be, if I could not be an are,
For a could be is a may be, with a chance at touching par.

I'd rather be a has been than a might-have-been by far,
For a might-have-been was never, but a WAS was once an ARE!
Author Unknown

President's Message

by Andrea H. Smith



"A Sweet Beginning"

WOW! Here I am president of the Altrusa Club of Roswell. I am honored to serve in this important office.

The installation of officers was so well conducted by Deborah Goluska. The candy theme was delightful as well as delicious! Thanks to all who attended.

Our club has been busy since our last regular meeting. The style show was a huge success! There were only 3 empty chairs. Thanks to all who helped with this event. It requires a lot of planning, organizing, decorating, advertising, preparation of the refreshments, and many more tasks. Thank you, Pat Johnson, and your dedicated committee. Patti Bristol, thank you for stepping in at the last minute to manage the food and beverages. We were well represented at the District Ten Conference in Albuquerque and I thank each of you who attended.

My goals for this year are to increase membership, improve attendance and identify the value of being a member. I have been a member for 28 years, and it has served me well. I joined when there were no other civic clubs open to women and I learned so much from my fellow members. Their encouragement and support in good and troubled times guided me on my path to a successful career.

I know we are all busy. We wear many hats – some at the same time! A hat can tell a lot about the person who is wearing it. My Daddy always wore a gray or black Stetson, depending on the time of year. It identified him as the cowboy he was. My Mother wore hats to church, club meetings and weddings. They were a part of her ensemble, even the one my younger brother bought her at a garage sale! During the years I spent as an officer's wife, I occasionally wore a hat (and gloves) to luncheons. My older sister had the opportunity to wear a hat at the Kentucky Derby this year! It doesn't matter if your hat is for golf, tennis, biking, hiking, or a sombrero for a siesta. Take some time this summer to wear your fun hat! Wear your Altrusa hat proudly and share the benefits of membership with someone you think would make a good member.

Let's keep the "Sweet Beginning" going throughout this coming year and conclude with a "Sugar Coated Ending".

District Ten Conference 2009

by Jones, Bonita L. L.

Albuquerque, April 30th through May 2nd



A good time was had by all in Albuquerque for the 54th Annual District Ten Conference. Check out the photos posted on the web site for just a few of the many smiling faces! There were 88 registered for the entire conference and 4 came for part of the weekend's fun, and all 15 District Ten clubs were represented. The Albuquerque Club did a superb job organizing this conference, especially considering they are few in number. They are, however, big in spirit! You can now go to www.youtube.com and search "Altrusa District Ten Conf 09" and find 4 different video clips from conference fun night and the "Rhoda Phone"!!

New district officers were elected and installed:

Governor, Ida Bender, Albuquerque, NM
Governor-Elect, Donna Herman, Montrose, CO
Vice-Governor, Judy Stubbs, Roswell, NM
Treasurer, Judy griffin, Ruidoso, NM
Director, Sharon Davis, Portales, NM
Director, Rose Price, Montrose, CO

When it came time for presentation of awards, Roswell received the following awards:

Distinguished Club for 2007-2008

Marian Thompson, Governor's Award

Second Place - Ethel Fritch & Letha Brown Literacy Award

Second Place - Communications-Yearbook Award

Second Place - Communications-Newsletter Award

Other awards were presented to:

Montrose, CO: First Place - Communications-Yearbook Award

Tucumcari, NM: First Place - Communications-Newsletter Award

Montrose, CO: First Place - Communications-Web Site Award

Portales, NM: Second Place - Communications-Web Site Award

Albuquerque, NM: First Place - Mary Ray Attendance Award

Pueblo, CO: Second Place

Ogden, UT: Third Place

Delta, CO: Nancy Taylor Environmental Award

Delta, CO: District Ten Membership Award for most new members (16)

Palisade, CO: First Place - Hazel Henderson Membership Award for greatest net gain (19%)

Pueblo, CO: Second Place

Ogden, UT: Third Place

Distinguished Clubs: Clovis, NM; Grand Junction, CO; Montrose, CO;

Portales, NM; Roswell, NM

Delta, CO: First Place - Jen Hanson Service Award

Ogden, UT: Second Place

Montrose, CO: First Place - Dr. Nina Fay Calhoun Award

Alamogordo, NM: Second Place

Delta, CO: First Place - Ethel Fritch & Letha Brown Literacy Award

Roswell, NM: Second Place

Montrose, CO: Third Place

Delta, CO: First Place - Mamie L. Bass Service Award

Colorado Springs, CO: Second Place

Ogden, UT: Third Place

Tucumcari, NM: Honorable Mention

Meeting Minutes

by Jones, Bonita L.



April & May, 2009

Altrusa Club of Roswell Program Meeting - May 13, 2009

President Jennifer Rawdon called the meeting to order at approximately 12:06 pm.

Members said grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Marian Thompson introduced her granddaughter, Mary Flores.

Andi Smith did roll call, with 32 of 57 members present.

The minutes of the April 22, 2009, meeting were approved.

Deborah Goluska announced we had received a couple newsletters and a resignation letter from Sandra Stewart.

Jennifer announced we have slots for 3 delegates and 3 alternates at the International Convention in Indianapolis, August 6th through 9th. Bonnie Jones moved and Judy Armstrong seconded a motion to elect Karen Remmele, Marian Thompson and Judy Stubbs as our delegates. Motion passed.

The delegates and alternates to District Ten Conference gave a brief report on the conference. Marian Thompson announced the first-timers raffle sales total for the International Foundation. Wanda Doolittle reported on the treasurer's training. Karen Remmele reported on the various workshops. Kerry Kiker reported on Fun Night. Bonnie Jones announced the awards winners.

Jennifer reminded everyone of the Annual Dinner on May 21st at the Roswell Country Club at 6 pm.

Jennifer announced the Officer/Committee Chair Exchange will be Wednesday, May 13th, at Harvard Petroleum.

A brief review the Strategic Plan reported that the club is meeting its goals.

The program was the year-end reports of each of the committees:

Communications - Bonnie Jones
Community Service - Rosalyn Robinson
Foundation - Becky Underation
Fundraising - Pat Johnson
Literacy - Ande England
Membership - Joan Blodgett

Orientation - Deborah Goluska

Sunshine - Suzanne Berry

Copies of the reports are available on ClubRunner.

After the Sunshine Thought, Club Raffle and Benediction, the meeting adjourned at 1:14 pm.

Andi Smith, Recording Secretary

**Altrusa Club of Roswell
Business Meeting - April 22, 2009**

President Jennifer Rawdon called the meeting to order at approximately 12:06 pm.

Members said grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claudette Foster introduced her guest Karma Daniels with Barnett Carpets. Theresa Delgado introduced her guest Debbie Jordan with NM Heart Institute. Deborah introduced her guest Shirley Hoerner. Renee Swickard introduced her guest Emily Cathey Law.

Andi Smith did roll call, with 27 of 59 members present.

The minutes of the April 8, 2009, meeting were approved.

Anjali Suri gave the financial report. The statement was available for review and was filed for audit.

Deborah Goluska read a letter announcing a DVD of the Women's History Month Brunch is available at the Party Store. She also read a thank-you from the Assurance Home for the Easter baskets and announced we had received the newsletter from Alpha-Omega.

New Business included a request for funds by the Community Service Committee for the amount remaining in their budget for the Animal Welfare Alliance. Kerry Kiker moved and Bonnie Jones seconded a motion to approve. Rosalyn Robinson announced there were 2 Easter eggs with money in each left from the Assurance Home baskets. She asked that the motion be amended to include the additional money to make the request for all the money left in their budget. Kerry and Bonnie agreed to the amendment and the motion passed.

Judy Armstrong moved and Bonnie Jones seconded a motion to hold a special election for the office of President. After some discussion, the motion passed.

Deborah Goluska nominated Andi Smith for President. Judy Armstrong moved that nominations cease and she be elected by acclamation. Bonnie Jones seconded and the motion passed.

Jennifer Rawdon announced the Officer/Committee Chair Exchange will be Wednesday, May 13th, at 5:30 pm at the Harvard Petroleum offices.

Andi Smith announced the Annual Meeting and installation of officers will be Thursday, May 21st, at the Roswell Country Club. The menu will be lemon-pepper chicken breast, vegetable, rice and dessert for \$18.

Jennifer Rawdon announced Andi Smith had purchased a "Savoring the Southwest" cookbook for a door prize at District Conference. She asked if someone would volunteer to get a 20 pound bag of pinto beans for the non-perishable food item to be used for the food bank project.

Jennifer announced a planning meeting for the conference attendees immediately following the meeting.

Jennifer announced we have slots for 3 delegates and 3 alternates at the International Convention in Indianapolis August 6th though 9th.

There was no Old Business.

Jennifer announced the sign-up sheets for committees for the new year were being circulated.

Committee Reports and Announcements were as follows:

- Awards - Claudette Foster announced the Letha H. Brown Literacy Award and Mamie L. Bass Award had been submitted. She needs the Community Service Award completed by the weekend.
- Communication - Bonnie Jones announced the web site, newsletter and yearbook had been submitted for District Ten Communications Awards.
- Community Service - Rosalyn Robinson announced the next meeting will be May 20th at Tobosa. She also mentioned the new online service hours reporting form.
- Fundraising - Pat Johnson announced the signup sheets for food, setup, cleanup and models were being circulated. The models will be matched up with the stores. Pat Courter will provide background piano music, Sharon Bell will be the commentator, Andi Smith will be the model coordinator, and Sherry Mumford is coordinating the food. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 30th, at Pat's office at 5 pm.
- Literacy - Ande England announced the submission of the award for literacy to District Conference.
- Membership - no report.
- Orientation - no report.
- Sunshine - no report.
- Vocational Services - Pat John announced the selection of the summer scholarship will take place when applications are received.
- Foundation - no report.

A check was presented to Mr. Kaminsky with NM Home Access.

The new committee chairs held a Committee Sell-A-Thon and described the various activities of the committees.

After the Sunshine Thought, Club Raffle and Benediction, the meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Andi Smith, Recording Secretary

**Altrusa Club of Roswell
Program Meeting - April 9, 2009**

Past President, Bonnie Jones, called the meeting to order at approximately 12:06 pm.

Members said grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claudette Foster introduced her guest, Karma Daniels, with Barnett Carpets. Marian Thompson introduced her guest, Dixie Edwards, with Wells Fargo Private Client Services. Mary McKenna introduced her guest, Cheryl Dillon. Deborah Goluska introduced Mike Kakuska with the RISD. Linda Madrid introduced Eric Fan.

Andi Smith did roll call, with 35 of 59 members present.

The minutes of the March 11, 2009, meeting were approved as corrected.

Deborah Goluska read Tamara Montgomery's resignation letter and an invitation to The Kid's Closet Volunteer Appreciation Awards ceremony to be held on April 23rd.

Bonnie Jones reminded everyone there would be a special election at the April business meeting to fill the vacancy for President left by Tamara Montgomery. She repeated the requirements for a nominee and encouraged everyone who had served on the Board for at least 1 year to consider stepping forward.

Tamara's leaving also caused a vacancy in delegates to District Conference. Deborah Goluska moved and Jackie Gooch seconded a motion to move Karen Remmele from an alternate delegate to a delegate and Marian Thompson to alternate delegate. The motion passed.

Linda Madrid introduced the NMMI student of the month, Alicia Scott.

Deborah Goluska introduced Mike Gottlieb, RISD Superintendent. He gave an informative update on the Roswell schools performance standards and the upcoming bond issue May 12th.

Pat Johnson gave an update on the style show and members received their tickets to sell. She asked members to sign up to model for the retail shows as well as the vintage clothing the RCLT is loaning us.

After the Sunshine Thought, Club Raffle and Benediction, the meeting adjourned at 1:06 pm.

Andi Smith, Recording Secretary

Sunshine Thought

by Jennifer L. Rawdon

5-13-09 Program Meeting

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.

~ ~ John Wesley

