



Reflections from Governor Robin

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Monthly Communication to Altrusa International, Inc. District Three Club Presidents Govrobin@comcast.net (Serving clubs in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina)

Yeah! Our International Convention will be happening next week. It will be a wonderful opportunity to meet Altrusans from other districts and to celebrate our incoming president, Donna Johnson. If you are able to attend, please review the updates I sent you this past week about the various activities.

In the latest International e-news, incoming president, Donna Johnson provided information about proposed changes your delegates will be voting on at convention. She would like you to include her proposed changes in your upcoming club newsletter. This information supports the June 8 e-mail I sent you. It is important you are up to date about the direction of Altrusa International, Inc.

Now is the time for you and your club to plan how you will provide service to your communities this upcoming year. The most important ingredient in a successful service project is planning, planning, and planning.

With that said, please remember your District Three Board is here to assist you. Each club has an assigned liaison. This person is responsible for helping you in your term as club president. The District Three Club Assignments are as follows:

Robin Hall – Governor, Citrus County, FL; South Marion County, FL; Atlanta, GA; Columbus, GA; Caldwell, NC; Gastonia, NC; and Waynesville, NC

Beverly Hardy – Governor-Elect, Ocala, FL; Tampa, FL; Statesboro, GA; Raleigh, NC; Anderson, SC; and Gaffney, SC

Colleen Duris – Vice Governor, Gainesville, FL; Lake County, FL; Marianna, FL; Orlando-Winter Pk, FL; and St. Augustine, FL

Kimberly Browne – Director, Lake City, FL; Live Oak, FL; Monticello, FL; and Starke, FL

Mary Kane – Director, North Georgia, GA; Asheville, NC; Durham, NC; and Spartanburg, SC

Teresa Williams – Director, Chapel Hill, NC; Charlotte, NC; Salisbury, NC; and Statesville, NC

Club visits are a top priority for this biennium. You will be receiving a letter or e-mail communication from your liaison requesting a mutually convenient time for a club visit. Your District Three Board is committed to keeping expenses to a minimum. Some of the club visits require an overnight because of the travel distance involved. If that is the case with your board liaison, it would be an appreciated gesture if you could offer to host an overnight for your visitor.



Above is a picture of your District Three Board so you can match a name with a face. Bottom row from left to right: Beverly Hardy, Governor-Elect; Robin Hall, Governor; Colleen Duris, Vice Governor; top row from left to right: Teresa Williams, Director, Tammy Hall, Treasurer; Kimberly Browne, Director; Kitty McElhaney, Parliamentarian; Mary Kane, Director; and Pat Smith, Secretary.

My goal is to visit as many clubs as possible during this biennium. Please let me know if there is an activity you would like me to attend. If I have advance notice, I can get it worked out in my schedule. I will do my best to attend your event. You are doing so many wonderful things and I want to share your successes.

Upcoming Dates

August Calendar:

August 1, 2009:

- Encourage members to support Club 21
- Begin organizing Make a Difference Day

August 6-9, 2009:

- Int'l Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana

August 15, 2009:

- Club articles and photos due for the Summer 2009 DSB Issue
- Convention report to club

August 31, 2009:

- DSB Mailing

September Calendar:

September 1, 2009:

- Consider making a club donation to the Int'l Foundation Grant Program in October (Review grants to determine if club should apply for Int'l grant)
- Distribute club yearbook
- Prepare your 990's for your Club's Foundation

September 8, 2009:

- International Literacy Day, great opportunity to debut a new literacy project

September 15, 2009:

- Grant application due to International Foundation

September 21, 2009:

- International Day of Peace

September 30, 2009:

- ASTRA club sponsor information form due to International
- Notify International if your club sponsors an ASTRA club
- Send your pre-Make a Difference Day Report to International

October Calendar:

October 1, 2009:

- Send IRS Form 990 if necessary
- Grant Funds month-Send a club contribution to Altrusa International Grant Funds

October 15, 2009:

- District Service Bulletin articles due with photo

October 24, 2009:

- United Nations Day
- Make A Difference Day

October 31, 2009:

- District Service Bulletin electronic mailing

E-Mail DSB Articles and Photos to:

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Overall District Three Goals are:

- Beacon to Club Revitalization and
- New Club Building.

Individual Club Goals:

1. Illuminate Membership Development
2. Our Light Shines Bright Service Project (Service and Technology)
3. Life Preserver to the Environment
4. Light Keeper Sister Club Project, Cool Ideas on the District Three Website.

Warmest Regards,

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Altrusans in Action: Our Light Shines Bright!