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DATE: January 2009
TO: Altrusa Club Presidents
FROM: International Membership Development Committee
SUBJECT: DISTINGUISHED CLUB AWARD

The Distinguished Club Award recognizes a Club's activity and productivity at every level of program involvement: Service, Programming, Membership, Leadership, Communication and the International Foundation. This Information will be used to judge whether a Club should receive a Distinguished Club Award.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a separate application form now available if your Club would like to be considered for the **Distinguished Club Award** . The New Distinguished Club Award applications are now available. The form is due at the Altrusa International Office by **May 31, 2009**. **THE CLUB ACTIVITY REPORT IS NO LONGER USED TO APPLY FOR THE DISTINGUISHED CLUB AWARD.**

Clubs that qualify for the 2008-2009 Distinguished Club Award will receive a Banner Patch when the judging is completed and will be recognized in an Association publication and/or on its website.

2008-2009 Distinguished Club Criteria

1. Clubs are responsible for sending the new Distinguished Club Award application to the International Office for consideration to receive a Distinguished Club Award.
2. A Club must be at charter strength (20 members) to be considered for a Distinguished Club Award.
3. To be eligible, your Club must qualify for **at least 85 points** out of a possible total of 150 points from the following areas: Service, Programming, Membership, Leadership, Communication and the International Foundation.

2008-2009 DISTINGUISHED CLUB AWARD

Altrusa International, Inc. _____ District _____
Submitted by _____ Position _____
Address _____ City _____
State/Province _____ Country _____ Zip/Postal Code _____
Phone _____ E-mail: _____

SERVICE - Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Submitted a Mamie L. Bass Award entry, but did not win. 3 points
- Submitted a Mamie L. Bass Award entry and won. 5 points
- Submitted a Letha H, Brown Award entry, but did not win. 3 points
- Submitted a Letha H, Brown Award entry, and won. 5 points
- Submitted a Nina Fay Calhoun Award entry, but did not win. 3 points
- Submitted a Nina Fay Calhoun Award entry and won. 5 points
- Sponsored an ASTRA Club. 7 points
- Contributed more than 500 hours of community service. 5 points
- Contributed more than 500 hours of members' service. 5 points
- Contributed more than 500 hours of volunteer hours. 5 points

Service Points (46): _____

PROGRAMMING – Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Has a strategic plan that is evaluated and updated yearly. 3 points
- Has at least 60% of membership at each meeting. 5 points

Programming Points (8): _____

MEMBERSHIP – Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Had a 10% net increase in membership. 5 points
- Had a 15%+ net increase in membership. 7 points
- Chartered a new Club. 7 points
- Participated in "Add an Altrusan Day". 3 points

Membership Points (22): _____

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LEADERSHIP – Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Had monthly Board of Directors Meetings. 3 points
- Had monthly Committee Meetings. 3 points
- Had joint training sessions for new and retiring officers. 3 points
- Had members attend District Workshops, regional trainings, etc. 3 points
- Had members lead segments of District Workshops, regional trainings. 5 points
- Sent its full compliment of delegates to District Conference. 5 points
- Sent its full compliment of delegates to the International Convention. 5 points
- Has a member serving on a District Board. 7 points
- Has a member serving on a District Committee. 5 points
- Has a member serving on an International Board. 7 points
- Has a member serving on an International Committee. 5 points

Leadership Points (51): _____

COMMUNICATIONS – Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Has a web page. 5 points
- Sends its newsletter electronically. 3 points
- Published a brochure. 3 points
- Sent local Club publications to District Officers. 3 points
- Sent local Club publications to International Officers. 3 points
- Sent information to be included on District website. 3 points
- Sent information to be included on International website. 3 points

Communications Points (23): _____

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION – Check all that apply to your Club. **My Club:**

- Contributed to the International Foundation. 3 points
- Has a majority of members who belong to Club 21. 3 points
- Applied for but did not receive a grant. 3 points
- Applied for and did receive a grant. 5 points
- Participated at Conference in fundraising for Foundation. 3 points
- Participated at Convention in fundraising for Foundation. 3 points

Foundation Points (20): _____

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE 170 points

TOTAL POINTS EARNED BY CLUB _____

Thank you for your valuable information!