

# THE DELTRUSAN

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## DISTRICT OFFICER AND GOVERNOR VISIT

Be sure to mark your calendars for September 20th, when Ida Bender and Governor Margaret Goodhue will be making their annual Club visit.

This will be the third Wednesday, rather than our regular fourth Wednesday program meeting at the noon hour.

Club visits by the District Ten officers are an honor and privilege; you are encouraged to attend this meeting.

### Have You Seen It Yet?

Altrusa Club of Delta has a new website, designed just for club members.



Check it out at:

[www.altrusainternationalofdelta.com](http://www.altrusainternationalofdelta.com)

Put it in your Favorites List  
and check for the latest Club News!

### HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

The Quintana's will be visiting Connecticut and the New England area during September for a visit with son, Sean, and a Broncos game!

Alowetta Terrien and family took youngest son, Marc Andrew, to begin college at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, New Mexico. He is following in the footsteps of his father, two uncles, and three cousins who also attended school there - and hanging out with grandmother, Gaynelle Thomas, Portales Altrusan.

Nancy Stevens has a beautiful, not house-trained, golden retriever puppy. Her name is Heidi.

Dianne Sales and husband, Rich, will be grandparents next April!



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

This organization amazes me in all that we do.

The service committee is extremely busy planning projects for September is literacy month and for the rest of the year we will be observing it. Sounds like some wonderful ideas have developed into great projects.

Finance committee is busy getting started with the sugar plum side-street market fund raiser. I have spoken to several individuals and they have asked when it will be and to be sure to remind them as they would like to attend.

Membership committee is planning on adding new members and working on ways to retain current members. This is a very important part of any service organization.

Communications committee is making sure everyone is getting the word out of all our happenings and service projects. They are encouraging all the business owners to advertise in the newsletter. \$2.50 per month for your business card size ad or you can write your own advertisement. This is a great way to help subsidize the cost of the newsletter.

Whew!! Great job everyone, keep up the good work.

Rene'e Eaton  
President





## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 23, at noon at the Elks is our regular program meeting. Judy will be giving us an orientation on the committee structure of our club and how it works. It would be a great meeting to bring any prospective members you might have in mind to.

Three of you have provided recipes from the Four Club Social... we like to have more, but if anyone is interested in those that we have, for 75 cents we'll burn you a disc.

Don't forget to mark your September calendars for a program meeting at noon at the Elks on September 20, with our district officer visit from Ida Bender. And.... our Margarita Party at Dorothy's that same evening .... It will be a day of celebration!!

Sugarplum is fast approaching, call Barbara Bul-lard if you want to do a table and haven't signed up yet. Plans are in the works.  
Thanks for your service to our community and we'll see you at the meeting on Wednesday.

## FOOD PANTRY CALENDAR

August 24	Vivian, Linda S.
August 28	JoAnn A, Fran
August 31	Jeanie, Judy A
September 4	Thelma, Fran
September 7	Lita
September 11	JoAnn A, Demeris
September 14	Ann, Jan M
September 18	Linda H, Fran
September 21	Willa
September 25	Lucky, Fran

## ASTRA

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Summer is going by too fast for us.

We enjoyed being able to help serve drinks at the Kickoff Barbecue, despite the weather.

At our meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup> we gathered to discuss business and also to make more cookie dough for the Dolphin House. They have featured us 2 different times in their monthly newsletter. They really appreciate what we've been able to do for them, and we are really glad to be able to help the misfortunate youth of our community.

We are still waiting to hear from Al-trusa International about our entry for an ASTRA service award. Once we know something, we will let you know.

Our next business meeting will be Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at DHS. On Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, at our meeting we will have a program put on by Mrs. Vinson telling about emergency car care.

### - Your Response Is Requested -

We can have our fifth (5th) Wednesday meeting at Daveto's at 5:30.

It will cost \$15.00 per hour for members attending (fifteen or less), and they will serve their special, or we can order from the menu. If there are more than fifteen attending, there is no charge for the conference room and we order off the menu, plus gratuity.

I would like to find out how many will attend this meeting. It will be a brainstorming meeting about projects for literacy or other projects worthy of looking into, and new member recruitment and or retention. Remember to keep in mind our major goal is with literacy, as well as to lend a helping hand to our communities of Delta County.

I need to know as soon as possible, so please let the communication committee know if you will be attending by Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, so we can reserve.

Thanking you in advance.  
Rene'e  
President

Altrusa International, Inc. of Delta, Colorado  
Business Meeting, August 9, 2006

Call to order at 12:11 PM by President Reneé Eaton. The Collect and Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Members: 35; ASTRA member Ethan Twamley. **Guests:** Marla Holveck with Becky Tallent.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

Correspondence: Thank you cards from scholarship recipient Sheree Sabelle, invitation to Hospice Fundraising dinner Aug 19<sup>th</sup> at Zack's in Hotchkiss.

Treasurer's report: Willa is meeting with the Accountant this afternoon.

**Committee reports:**

Finance: Thelma

We have netted about \$1900 to date for Deltarado Days. Sugar Plum Festival table hosting sheet went around; contact Alice if you want to host a table.

Service: Lita Sweitzer

The committee meets third Wed of month at the Chamber. World Literacy Day is Sep 8 and Make A Difference Day is Sep 30. September is Literacy Month so we hope to do some activity to promote Read For Life.

Membership: Nancy Stevens

Thanks to all who attended the Four Club Social. Judy Weiszbrod will be the program for next meeting; she will discuss committee structures of our club. See Becky to order a polo shirt or apron.

Communications: Jackie Schoonover-Coleman

Delta club website ([www.altrusainternationalofdelta.com](http://www.altrusainternationalofdelta.com)) is up; contact Jackie 874-4785 if you need further information or have questions or additions. Thank you to Membership committee for being the program at Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Send newsletter articles to Alowetta (Alowetta@paonia.com).

ASTRA: members will soon make more cookie dough for Dolphin House. They enjoyed serving drinks at the Deltarado Days dinner. They will have an emergency car care program at their meeting Aug 28<sup>th</sup>.

Unfinished Business: Vicki presented Budget Committee report. Nancy S. moved to accept the budget as presented; Thelma 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed. Jo Gore presented Bylaws Committee report.

New Business: Reneé asked for nominations of at least three members to serve on the Nominating Committee. Linda Sorenson, Becky Tallent, and Amanda Twamley were nominated to be on the committee; they will elect a chair among themselves. District Ten Vice-Governor Ida Bender will make an official visit September 20<sup>th</sup>, accompanied by Governor Margaret Goodhue. **\*\*Our September program meeting will be the third Wednesday Sept 20<sup>th</sup>. No meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>.** \*\* There will be a margarita party at 5:30 pm Sept 20<sup>th</sup> at Dorothy's house. September 30<sup>th</sup> is Make A Difference Day. David asked if our Altrusa club would write a letter to the school district regarding the removal of paintings from the remodeled auditorium. He made a motion to write the letter, Jo 2<sup>nd</sup>; after discussion, there was a motion (Thelma, Linda S 2<sup>nd</sup>) to table the issue until members can learn more about the situation. By voice vote the motion to table passed. There will be an open house at the auditorium on Aug 31<sup>st</sup>.

Onions and Orchids were shared. Drawing: winner was Linda Sorenson. Benediction was recited.

**Adjourn:** 12:58 PM

Respectfully submitted, acting secretary Lita Sweitzer

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...and a good time was had by all ...in spite of the  
“Deltarado Days Deluge” !

We are a hearty folk, not afraid of fording a few streams ... even if they are flowing down Delta’s Main Street. Meeker, Grand, and Howard were flowing too. All of Delta was runnin’ like “a-river-wild”, or something like that. Delta’s community-mindedness was dramatically demonstrated in the numbers of people that “came-on- out-anyway” to Kick-off the Deltarado Days Celebration of our western heritage. The Annual ALTRUSA Kickoff BBQ Dinner was waiting for them, steaming hot, when they arrived. BBQ Beef, BBQ Port, baked beans, slaw, rolls ‘n butter, cake, ice tea and lemonade. The ladies had been cooking for hours and hours, the labor of love that these women-in-blue prepare each year for their community. After all, Literacy, Education, and Service is what ALTRUSA is all about. And so began this year’s Deltarado Days. The Americana blue-grass sounds of “Alternative Route” wafted under the eaves of Confluence Parks’ Riley Pavilion as scheduled. Many of Delta Street Rodders’ Classic Cars even ventured out in the extreme weather. This would seem to be a tremendous testimony to the community-heart-and-soul that exists here in this County. What a great place this is!

Dianne Sales



Thanks everybody who helped with and attended the multi-club social. We had a good turnout from the Palisade, Montrose and Grand Junction clubs. The food was yummy, the company was entertaining and we're all ready to do it again!

#### Just for Fun!!!

*The new supermarket near our house has an automatic water mister to keep the produce fresh. Just before it goes on, you hear the sound of distant thunder and the smell of fresh rain. When you approach the milk cases, you hear cows mooing and witness the scent of fresh hay. When you approach the egg case, you hear hens cluck and cackle and the air is filled with the pleasing aroma of bacon and eggs frying. The veggie department features the smell of fresh buttered corn.*

*I don't buy toilet paper there any more .....*