



January, 2010

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OF SHERMAN, TEXAS***
Patriotism, Efficiency, Service

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**Our Guest Speaker, Vice Governor Elect, from District 9
LaVone Arthur**



Altrusa International Inc. Of SHERMAN – January, 2010

Altrusa International Inc.,

Of Sherman, TX. Business Meeting
01/05/2010 @ Carol's Red Apron

President Bea called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Lana gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 22 members present & one guest - Dr. Elaine Wills. Nancy H. presented the Accent on the 12 Rules of Membership. Minutes of the previous meetings were accepted as written.

Siv made the motion to accept & Rita seconded the motion. Margaret gave the Financial Report, which will be filed for audit. There were no recommendations from the Board. Barbara gave her Service Committee report. Volunteers are needed to read/listen to students at Neblit School. She stressed the importance of the donations we send to our Troops through Soldiers' Angels. Rose & Barbara took our Christmas ornaments to the Sherman Health Care Home. Each patient received an ornament & there were also enough to decorate their tree. Many "Thanks" to Belinda for all of her hard work on this project.

Martha N. requested Hot Chocolate Mix (w/water only) for the Solders' Angels plus any CD's or DVD's that you no longer use can also be sent to the Troops, along with batteries, coupons and popcorn.

Rita distributed the new Member Notebooks and requested any changes, additions, etc. be emailed to her. She will be adding the By Laws and Past Presidents.

Nancy C. announced that there were four past Governors from Altrusa that attended Virginia Morriss' funeral. Pres. Bea read a Sympathy note from Dist. 9 regarding the loss of our Dear Member, Virginia. Bea announced that the speaker for our Program meeting would be the Gov. Elect LaVone Arthur. Sarah collected pin money and ten

member brags. Pres. Bea ended the meeting on the lighter side about a story of an older gentleman who said he had a new hearing aid & was so happy he could hear things he had never heard before. When asked if his family was thrilled that he could hear again, he stated that he had not told his family yet, but had changed his will three times so far.

Lana led us in the Benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Altrusa International, Inc., of

Sherman Program Meeting
01/19/2010 @ Carol's Red Apron

President Bea called the dinner/meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Hope W. gave the Invocation & led in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 24 members present and President Bea recognized Sarah's two Guests – Dr. Elaine Wills, Kelly Read, & Pres. Bea's Guest, Stephanie Singleton. Cynthia V. gave the Accent on a review of our Mission Statement as well as our new Altrusa Brochures to use as a tool for recruiting Professional Business Women as new members. Lana D. introduced our Guest Speaker, LaVone Arthur, Vice Gov. Elect from Dist. 9. LaVone has been an Altrusan since 1986 and she congratulated the Sherman Chapter on all of the many great projects we have done and do each year and on how much we give back to our Community. She also encouraged everyone to attend the Upcoming District 9 Convention in Lubbock. Pres. Bea announced that we would make a donation to International in LaVone's name. Pres. Bea announced our next work night to make "bunny boxes" for the VA Hospital, which Belinda has designed for us, will be on Tuesday, 3/30/10.

Rita B. introduced our newest member joining tonight, Stephanie Singleton, as our newest Stockholder. Rita suggested that we imagine our Chapter as a 68-year-old successful Corporation and as Stockholders, we are introducing our newest Stockholder, Stephanie Singleton. As a new Stockholder, Stephanie will have responsibilities i.e., attending meetings, fellowship, community service and also as a Stockholder, her time and talents add to our investment. After her induction, Pres. Bea pinned Stephanie and we all welcomed her into the Sherman Chapter.

Pres. Bea announced that Lee Adams has been an Altrusan for 31 years. Hope W. led us in the Benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

***Welcome our Newest
Member
Stephanie Singleton***



***Altrusa
Upcoming February
Birthdays***

*Marie Davis – 10th
Marty Barr – 23rd.*

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Ladies!!***

Dates to Remember!

Saturday, February 6th, 2010
10:00 a.m.

Workshop at Richland College
sponsored by the Richardson
Altrusa Chapter
Topic is: Working with
difficult people

Sherman Workshop Night
Tuesday, 03/30/2010
To make "Bunny Boxes" for
the VA Hospital

**Be Sure to Add this Date to
Your Calendar!**

**Fifty-fourth Annual District
Conference
District Nine,
Altrusa International Inc.,
April 9-11, 2010
Lubbock, Texas**

**The Altrusa Clubs of Lubbock
and Lubbock Downers invite
you to find YOUR place in
Altrusa with**

2010 ... A Place Odyssey

**Register prior to March 1st
registration cost is \$130.00
After March 1st. the registration
cost will be \$140.00**

**Being held at the Overton
Conference Hotel**

Membership Spotlight!

Meet our long time member, Sarah Hagberg. Sarah became an Altrusan in June 1966. Her Sponsors were: Dr. Lois Norman & Flora McElreath. Sarah has served as President of International Altrusa Club of Sherman three separate times and has held several other offices as well as Committee Chairman. Sarah served as a District Committee Chairman under Governor Betty Lawson. She has been a Delegate to

International Altrusa Meetings as well as District Meetings.

Sarah is the Co-owner of Del/Max Restaurant Supply, Inc., serving as Secretary/Treasurer. She has two children, a Son, Lloyd & a Daughter, Linda. She has two Grandchildren, Meredith and Monica and two Great Grandchildren, Grace and Abigail.

Sarah is an Elder at the Covenant Presbyterian Church, serving on the Finance Committee. She has also been the President of the Local Presbyterian Women's Presbytery, Synod, and served on the National Board of the Presbyterian Church.

Sarah was the first born to George and Elsie Simmons in Waverly, TN. A graduate of Whitewright High School and she completed a Correspondence Course in Bookkeeping, receiving her diploma, which has been her profession for many years.



**Sarah & her Guest Dr. Wills on
January 5, 2010**
