



# DAYTRUSAN

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Quote: We can't always choose the music life plays for us, but we can choose how we dance to it.

Wow, what a difference a day (or night, I should say) makes. No one in the Dayton area will ever be the same after the Memorial Day tornadoes ravaged our area. Whether you were directly impacted or not, it will forever make a difference in our lives.

Thank you to Dana and Peggy, Service Chairs for sharing and organizing what efforts that our club can do. I imagine that this will be a continued solicitation each moth for a while, accepting donations from our club members to support the recovery efforts.

So much has happened over the past two months – District Five Conference, where Kay & Neil won the Linda Atwell award, The President's Club Volunteer Breakfast with Penny Spurlock as our recipient this year. Widow's Home Mothers' Day Flowers and BINGO, Days for Girls Workshops, planting of the Star Planter at memorial Hall, Xenia's Kathryn Hagler High Tea, to name a few.

Without having a meeting in May, club members will need to "kick it in high gear" as we move through the next few months as we prepare for our annual fundraiser, The Luncheon/Auction in October. The most imperative issue is to solicit, solicit, and solicit for items for the auction.

The Committee Chairs will need to bring their members together, to plan for the second year of this biennium. The Foundation will need to develop their budget for 2019-2020, set goals for fundraising to support our scholarships and grant program. They will need to explore opportunities for the use of the donation from the Cincinnati club, also the pending bequest from the estate of Lorine Reid.

However, in conjunction with all of this hard work, Altrusans will be able to have some fun at Belinda's cottage at Indian Lake with annual outing – come rain or shine this year. The date has been set for Saturday, August 10. More to come on that, at our next meeting

The Dayton Club has some great things on the horizon and I know that members will be ready for it. Enjoy the summer and be safe.

### DAYTRUSAN EDITOR

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## June & July Birthdays

<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>
08 – Claudia Studebaker	11 – Mary Reed
13 – Courtney Kallergis	12 – Belinda Huffman
	25 – Susan Sanders

## International Scene

AUTHOR: KATHY SCHREIN; NGO (VICE) REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INFORMATION (DPI).

This month we continue to discuss just how each of us can help keep the vision of the Altrusan International or Dayton Club's Foundations alive.

Our Foundations can be named as the direct, or the contingent beneficiary, of all, or part of your IRA, 401 (k), or other qualified retirement plan if you or your family does not need all the funds in your retirement accounts, according to International. All these funds, including stock options and pensions, make excellent deferred gifts. International also mentions that depending on the total size of your estate, distributions from such accounts might be subject to federal and possibly state income taxes.

All these mentioned monetary gifts may also have the advantage of decreasing your estate tax because such accounts will not be subject to estate taxes.

Next month, let us look at other forms of giving to our Foundations!!



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## GEM CITY MARKET

Author: Susan Sanders

Kenya Baker, Outreach Director, spoke to our members on April 23, 2019, regarding the Club's participation and financial support of the Gem City Market. With the migration of Daytonians to the suburbs, families at the lower socio-economic spectrum are remaining within the confines of the City of Dayton, and this poses a risk to the adults and to the children, resulting in little or no access to nutritious food. The Gem City Market is a food cooperative located in the western area of the City of Dayton and would provide nutritious food to the families at the lower income level. The Gem City Market received the Up & Coming Start-Up award for 2019. As an example of ways the Dayton community can become involved in making the Gem City Market a reality, Ms. Baker explained that Thurgood Marshall High School students are seeking approval from the Dayton Regional Transit authority (RTA) to provide transportation from DeSota Bass apartment complex, a complex of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) apartments, housing mostly low income, African American families, to the Gem City Market.

The Altrusa Club of Dayton approved \$1,000.00 to be given to the Gem City Market to aid the cooperative in becoming a functioning and sustainable entity.

## ***DOLLY PARTON IMAGINATION LIBRARY***

Author: Neil Webster



Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Dolly Parton Imagination Library “Homecomin’ 19’, Kay Webster (past president of the Altrusa Club of Dayton) was named their nominee as ‘Literacy Champion’ by the Dolly Parton Foundation. Kay is only the third champion so named in twenty years by the foundation.

It was also announced that when their new foundation building is completed next year, Kay will be included in the Dolly Parton Foundation Hall of Fame.

This is an amazing honor. As many of you know, Kay was totally invested in the

Dolly Parton Imagination Library project and was rightfully proud that the program had over ten thousand kids in Greene County impacted by the program and that over a quarter million books had been distributed in Greene County already.

Unhappily, Kay didn’t live to hear that the State of Ohio has budgeted to fund the roll-out of the Imagination Library project state-wide. Mrs. DeWine made that announcement early this year at the Soin Medical Center ceremonies. State-wide implementation was one of Kay’s long-term goals.

According to the Dolly Parton Imagination Library website Tennessee is the only state-wide program at this time. North Carolina has announced that they plan a state-wide program. Ohio has not made a formal statement confirming implementation of the program. The benefits of the program are known. The medical research is conclusive: reading is critical to learning and the earlier you start the bigger the benefits. As the program states: ‘Kids who read succeed’.

Kay died in November 2018 of a heart attack. I think she would be amazed by the honors she has received since then. The Ohio Auctioneers Association named a scholarship in her honor. Altrusa of Dayton and the Soin Medical Center each named scholarships in her name. Soin also created a Literacy Award named for Kay to honor the person doing the most for youth literacy. And now the Dolly Parton Foundation Award

## ALTRUSA CLUB OF DAYTON FOUNDATION 2019 GRANTS

Author: Courtney Kallergis

The Altrusa Club of Dayton Foundation is proud to announce four \$1000 grants extended to local organizations serving our community:

**Brunner Literacy Center's** New Ventures Pilot Program is evaluating three programs, aiming to provide:

- Literacy services for homeless and formerly homeless adults
- Adult Basic Education literacy services for low income residents in East Dayton
- English for Speakers of Other Languages for Rwandan, Turkish, and Hispanic refugees and immigrants

<https://www.brunnerliteracy.org/>

**Dayton Children's Hospital's** new Food Pharmacy and Cooking Demonstration Kitchen pilot programs, opening in late spring, will provide food insecure families with 'food scripts' to the Food Pharmacy where they can select nutritious food that will best accommodate their child's medical needs. Emergency food kits will also be available with shelf-stable, healthy meals along with connections to their neighborhood's emergency food systems and government food programs. Free cooking classes in the Cooking Demonstration Kitchen will be offered so caregivers can learn to prepare healthy meals.

<https://www.childrensdayton.org/>

**United Rehabilitation Services of Greater Dayton's** Early Childhood Education Program requested funds for education supplies. This program serves children ages 3-5 years, across many racial backgrounds, with and without disabilities, in an inclusive educational environment.

Approximately 50% of the children served have a developmental disability or delay and a majority of these families are low-income and struggle to secure high-quality preschool programs for their children.

<https://ursdayton.org/>

**We Care Arts** requested a grant to sponsor a participant in their ArtWORK program for a full year, allowing an individual the opportunity to express ideas and emotions through their artwork and provide the support and encouragement they need to achieve the personal goals they establish. The program serves persons aged 18 or older who have been diagnosed with a physical and/or developmental disability, are managing mental illness, recovering from an acquired brain injury or living with neurological disorders.

<https://wecarearts.org/>



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Auction Committee** **(Vacant)**

Everyone please get out and solicit your donations.

At our June Meeting it was decided to raise the ticket price to \$30.

### **Communication Committee** **(Diane Noonan)**

The meeting minutes and financial reports (operating & foundation) from our Jun 2018 meeting are published separately by the secretary and treasurers. They normally send out a week before our monthly meeting. Watch your email for them.

### **Supporting Our Altrusa Club Neighbors**

#### *Altrusa International of Xenia 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Kathryn Hagler High Tea*

On 22 Jun 2019 seven members of our club, Kathy Ballman-Parks, Joyce Kelly, Toni Bailey Peggy Collins Joyce Koesters, Diane Noonan and Cathy Schrein traveled to Xenia to participate in Altrusa of Xenia fundraiser, 'The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Kathryn Hagler High Tea'.

This is such a nice event. We were served tea sandwiches, scones and small desserts and of course tea. Each guest was sent home with a tea bag and a piece of chocolate.

The theme of this event was 'Service to our Community'. Their three speakers from; Days for Girls, Caring Place, and Literacy Projects talked about their organizations and outlined the Xenia Club's support. We all walked away saying for such small club Xenia does a lot.

During the tea the Xenia Club also presented a scholarship to Grace Brown. Grace will be attending Miami University of Ohio, majoring in English Education. Her goal is to be a high school English teacher.

Joyce Kelly won a beautiful plant as a door prize. Several of our members had winning bids on Silent Auction items:  
Kathy Ballman-Parks – Candle Set  
Kathy Schrein – Monet Bracelet  
Peggy Collins – Hanging Basket

We all had a wonderful time. If you have not been this event make plans to attend in 2020.

#### *Altrusa International of Hamilton 10th Annual Literacy Buzz*

On 18 October 2019 the Hamilton Club will host their annual spelling bee fund raiser. Last year we even had a team. This is another fun event and a way we can support a neighboring club. Mark your Calendars.

### **Yearbook Member Info Update:** **(Diane Noonan)**

Once I get internet/cable service back (34 days w/o because of the Memorial Day Tornado) I will start updating the yearbook with the new District Five and International Boards.

### **Foundation Committee** **(Mary Reed)**

At our June meeting the grant committee advised two applications came in after the deadline. The board decided to award Dayton Christian Center and Hannah's Treasure Chest \$500 each. This is half of the requested amount. It was felt there had to be some consequences for the late submittal.

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## Scholarship Committee Report

On April 11<sup>th</sup>, members of the Scholarship Committee met to select two winners for the 2019 Altrusa Ruth Richardson Scholarship. The scholarship provides \$1500 for their first year of college. Mary Reed, Susie Sanders, Kim Bautz, Penny Spurlock and Sue Ciarlariello were present.

Applicants for our scholarship must be a resident of Montgomery County, be a graduating senior of a high school in Montgomery County, have a 3.5 GPA or higher, demonstrate a financial need, and submit: a letter of college acceptance, a copy of their FAFSA student aid report with EFC (estimated family contribution), their official high school transcript, and a list of their achievements, awards, and co-curricular activities. Sue reminded the group that Ruth Richardson had proposed this scholarship to support those who were economically disadvantaged, who achieved at least a 3.5 GPA academic standing but who also gave back time to their community.

There were 256 applicants, but 66 were not eligible due a GPA under 3.5, a lack of required documentation or if their family contribution was over \$30,000 per year (insufficient need). The group reviewed 190 applicants and chose the 30 best for further review. These 30 finalists were rated 1, 2, 3 or 4 (4 being the highest) by each member, with these tenets in mind. The winners received all "4's" from each reviewer. They are:

- **Luke Holloway from Northmont HS** with a 3.787 GPA, an ACT score of 28. He plans to go to Ohio University to be an Intervention Specialist, for moderate to intensive needs.
- **Iyanna Wills from Dayton Early College Academy** with a 3.5 GPA, an ACT score of 21. She plans to attend Georgia State University to study in the medical field (medicine, nursing or physical therapy)

Both of these students have many accomplishments and participated in numerous community service activities, even while they were employed during their senior high years.

We look forward to meeting them at our June business meeting!

**DAYTON CALENDAR**

CLUB MEETING DATES	EVENTS
<p><i>Meeting Start Times Board @ 5:30 pm Business @ 6:30 pm</i></p> <p><i>We are no long meeting at Dayton Children's Hospital. The reason is they are going to be remodeling that space during 2019.</i></p> <p><i>As meeting locals are determined they will be noted below or an email sent out.</i></p> <p><b>23 Jul 2019</b> <i>Barry Staff Building</i></p> <p><b>27 Aug 2019</b> <i>Barry Staff Building</i></p> <p><b>24 Sep 2019</b> <i>Ronald McDonald House</i></p> <p><b>29 Oct 2019</b></p> <p><b>26 Nov 2019</b></p> <p><b>No Meeting Dec 2019</b></p>	<p><b>July</b> 03 – Days for Girls 17 – Start of Convention (from Altrusa Compass) 30 – International Friendship Day (from Altrusa Compass)</p> <hr/> <p><b>August</b> 10 – Dayton Club Picnic Belinda's Cottage at Indian Lake 12 – International Youth Day (from Altrusa Compass) 13 – Bingo at Widow's Home 25 – Women's Equality Day</p> <hr/> <p><b>September</b> 01 – Labor Day 08 -- International Literacy Day (from Altrusa Compass) -- Grant Applications Due (Watch International Pub for date) 21 -- International Day of Peace Observance</p> <hr/> <p><b>October</b> 18 -- Hamilton's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Literary Buzz 24 -- United Nations Day 26 – Make a Difference Day 26 -- Luncheon/Auction</p> <p><b>Note: Items with bullets were obtained from the International President's Accent</b></p>

## DISTRICT FIVE CONFERENCES & INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

### International Convention Dates

**2019**



See the Altrusa Compass  
Volume 4, Issue 2, last page  
for a list of things to do in Reno

**2021**

Quebec City, Quebec, Canada

### District Five Conference Dates

*Extracted from the Winter 2018 DSB.*

**2020 TBD**

Holiday Inn, Youngstown, Ohio  
Hosted by Youngstown  
May 1-3

**2021**

TBD, Battle Creek  
Hosted by Battle Creek  
April 23-25

### **DAYTON BOARD (JUN 2018 – MAY 2020)**

**President:**  
Kathy Ballman-Parks

**President-Elect:**  
Joyce Kelly

**Past President:**  
Kay Webster

**Vice-President:**  
Toni Bailey

**Treasurer:**  
Sue Ciarlariello

**Secretary:**  
Diane Miller

**Directors:**  
(Jun 2017- May 2019)  
Dana Seibert  
Penny Spurlock

(Jun 2018- May 2020)  
Linda Neuhauser  
Susan Sanders

**Foundation Board:**  
**President**  
Mary Reed  
(Jun 2017 – May 2020)

**Secretary**  
Courtney Seibert  
(June 2016 to May 2019)

**Treasurer**  
Debbie Roe  
(June 2018 to May 2021)

**International Liaison:**  
Kathy Schrein

## HELPFUL LINKS

- ◆ ALTRUSA of Dayton Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Altrusa-of-Dayton-Ohio/111345002242706>
- ◆ ALTRUSA District Five Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/D5Altrusa?fref=ts>
- ◆ ALTRUSA International Facebook Page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/altrusainternationalinc>
- ◆ Dayton ALTRUSA Website:  
We do not have an official website; however, we do pages within the District Five Website.  
Here is how to get to them:  
Once on the District Five Website, click on Clubs tab, Scroll down to Ohio and then click on Dayton.
- ◆ ALTRUSA District Five Website: <https://districtfive.altrusa.org>
- ◆ ALTRUSA International Website: <https://www.altrusa.org>