

ALTRUSA WAVES



ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF GARLAND NEWSLETTER



Altrusa Garland at District Conference
Mary, Shirely, Betty, Karla

PRESIDENT'S Pen

Stephanie Noland



Remember this old joke? If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring? I'm sure you know the answer... "PILGRIMS!" Sorry...not sorry...I love that joke.

For Altrusa, however, May brings the end of our fiscal year. It offers the opportunity to reflect on all that we've accomplished as a chapter, district, and international organization; each dedicated to service in our communities. Having the opportunity to remember and celebrate together is one of the main reasons that I encourage you to attend our upcoming President's banquet. I sincerely hope that you will join us.

The President's banquet will provide the opportunity to hear about District Nine conference, learn about our scholarship winners, and welcome the new board for 2024-25. I am hoping to also share our impact numbers (which are on the rise across the board). Many thanks to those who've already submitted their volunteer hours. If you haven't yet, please do!

Renewal season is upon us. You'll soon be hearing from Debbie Summerville about renewing your club membership. I am hopeful that each of you are planning to renew your commitment to our club for another year. If this year was any indication, I believe next year will be an amazing one for our club as we have Fun Reaching Our Goals together.

As always, I am honored to serve alongside you!

Stephanie

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IMPORTANT DATES

- May 9 President's Banquet, 6 PM, Holiday Inn
- May 23 Board Meeting, 6 PM, via Zoom
- May 26 Book Club, 4 PM, Wildwood Firewheel
- May 30 5th Thursday Social, 6 PM, Lakewood Brewery

MAY MEETING

We will be welcoming **District Nine Second Vice-Governor, Guadalupe Carvajal** as a guest speaker for the upcoming President's banquet. She will be conducting the installation of our new board.

MEETING INFORMATION

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

is responsible for leading the Altrusa pledge, grace and accent at the May 9, 2024 meeting.

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COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Scholarship Selection

Two well deserved GISD students have been chosen for this year's Marjorie Hall-Chamberlain Memorial Scholarship.



Ashley Huynh is from Lakeview Centennial and is ranked 2nd in her class. Ashley is planning on attending the University of Texas at Austin as a Business major.



Jackson Major from Rowlett High School is an Eagle Scout and plans on attending either Vanderbilt, Howard, or Ohio State pursuing Chemistry to Pre-dental.

Special thanks to the scholarship committee consisting of Tammy Caruso, Mary Dyer and Betty Sainz for their help in choosing these wonderful students.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Last 5th Thursday

Our next and last 5th Thursday of this term will be on Thursday May 30th. We plan to meet at the Lakewood Brewery, 2302 Executive Dr, Garland at 6:00 PM. We hope that everyone will plan to attend and bring spouses & friends.

CLUB NEWS

It's membership renewal time!

Each of you should have received an email regarding dues from International in early April. If you did not, do not worry! Debbie Summerville will also be reaching out about renewals and with the additional information about the "rebate" for those members who overpaid their meal costs earlier this year. We can answer questions about this at upcoming meetings.

Odds and ends to finish the year strong:

- Did I turn in my volunteer hours?
- Did I make a contribution to Club 21 for the upcoming year?
- Have I signed up for committee work for the upcoming year?
- Do I have any ideas for programs (even if I am not on the Program committee) that I can share with the club?



New International Partnership

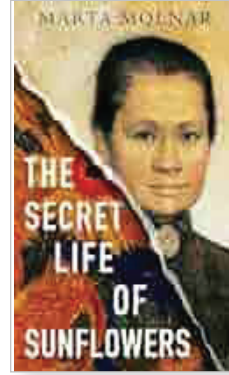
Shirley Raymer delivering school supplies purchased from our local foundation as a new international project for our club to Director Larry Pederson of Friends of Cozumel. The organization is preparing back packs for July distribution to over 600 students in the Cozumel area.

Altrusa READS Book Club

The book club choice for May

The Secret Life of Sunflowers

by Marta Molnar

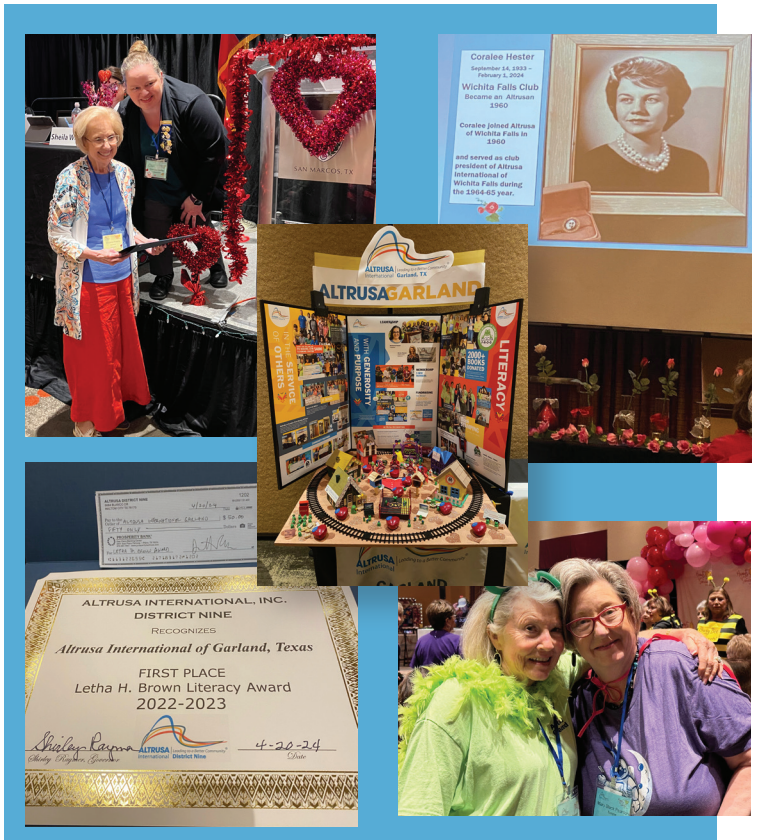


A gripping, inspiring novel based on the true story of Johanna Bongor, Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law. One reviewer wrote, "This book draws all the emotions out of you. I went from tears to snorting with laughter. It was both lighthearted and heart breaking, yet it inspires me to live my best life!"

We will meet on **Sunday, May 26 at 4:00** at Wildwood at Firewood.



Check out our picks on GoodReads [2023 List Here](#)



DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2024



GOVERNOR'S HOME CLUB