



“Making our communities better through leadership, partnership and service”

Thank you for your interest in Altrusa International, Inc. of Delta! We are an international non-profit organization, making our communities better through leadership, partnership, and service.

Altrusa International of Delta was chartered in 1985. We are a service organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Delta and its surrounding area. Consisting of a group of dedicated men and women, Altrusa International of Delta has been actively involved in helping to make Delta a better place to live, learn, and grow.

We welcome new members and would enjoy answering any questions you may have. Please contact me at jokimrose@outlook.com or our membership co-chairs, Nancy Stevens, at nancystevens943@gmail.com or via phone at (970) 216-1525 or Jackie Schoonover at schoonbug@gmail.com or via phone at 970-874-4785 to learn more about how you can become a member of one of Delta’s leading service organizations. You are also welcome to visit the official Altrusa website at www.altrusa.org, or our local organization’s website at www.AltrusaInternationalofDelta.com for more information.

Thank you for your interest in our club!

Sincerely,

Jo Rosenquist

Jo Rosenquist,
President
Altrusa International, Inc. of Delta



INTRODUCTION TO ALTRUSA OF DELTA

Altrusa is an International non-profit organization, making our communities better through leadership, partnership, and service. We are civic-minded people who strive to create better communities worldwide. In our Delta Club, we have a strong emphasis on literacy, along with our many other service projects. We also emphasize fun and fellowship! There are many opportunities to develop your leadership skills such as serving as Vice Chair on one of the five standing committees or serving as an officer on the Board. With these opportunities, everyone can be involved at whatever level works best for them.

Here are some important items for you to know about becoming a member:

1. Costs

Our finances are divided between two funds: Operating and Service. The Operating Fund is money raised within the club to spend on our functions. The Service Fund is money raised in the community, and all of these funds must be spent in the community. Our Foundation Board of Directors administers the Service Fund.

- ◆ Annual dues: \$130 - \$80 for members under 30 years of age
- ◆ Half year dues (December 1 to March 31): \$65.00.
- ◆ April 1 and after: \$130 dues will pay through May of the next year.
- ◆ Late fees of \$10.00 assessed for renewing member submitting dues after June 16th
- ◆ Lunch at meetings is \$12.00 currently (subject to increase by whatever business is providing the meal), and you may purchase a meal ticket for ten meals. We currently have most of our lunch meetings at Daveto's. We try and have several evening meetings throughout the year.
- ◆ If you do not eat a meal, there is a \$3.00 charge which will include your drink. There is no charge if you do not eat or have a drink. If you forget to wear your pin, there is a 25 cent donation given to Miss Piggy (the pink Piggy Bank sitting at the Treasurer's table). These funds are used for beverages for Altrusa "fun events".
- ◆ You are encouraged to share personal stories during "Onions & Orchids" for \$1 per story. Funds go into the Operating Fund as an internal fund raiser.
- ◆ As we are a service organization, there is a charge (or you must purchase a ticket) if you choose to eat at the Deltarado Days BBQ, Sugar Plum Festival, Christmas party, Add-an-Altrusan dinner and the Installation dinner.

- ◆ We hold a drawing at the meetings; you may purchase tickets for \$1 each. One half of the funds collected from ticket sales will be won by the holder of the winning ticket drawn at the end of the meeting and the other half goes into the Operating Fund as an internal fundraiser.
- ◆ You may purchase an Altrusa shirt through Doc Morgan. Prices vary. Each new member is given an apron.

As an Altrusan, you will have the opportunity to contribute to our work in many ways. When you donate items at your own expense, it helps the club if you complete a voucher showing your “in kind” donation. If you wish to be reimbursed for large ticket items, get prior authorization from the committee chair to assure it is eligible for reimbursement.

2. Meetings

- ◆ Club meetings (general membership meetings) are held mostly at 12:00 noon the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Davetos. Meetings last no longer than one hour. The “Business meeting” is the second Wednesday and the “Program meeting” is the fourth Wednesday.
- ◆ The board meeting is the first Wednesday of each month; all committee chairs attend. All members may attend.
- ◆ All committees meet before the Board meeting.

3. Committees

- ◆ There are five standing committees: Service, Finance, Communications, Membership, and ASTRA
- ◆ Every Altrusan is a member of at least one committee.
- ◆ New members are assigned to one of their sponsors’ committees unless they desire otherwise.
- ◆ There are four special committees: Foundation, Nominating, Audit, and Budget.

4. Annual Altrusa Club Events

Below is a general overview of our events. There may be others throughout the year!

July	Deltarado Days - Kickoff BBQ – July 20, 2023
August	Four Club Social (Delta, Montrose, Grand Junction, And Palisade) – August 30 th
October	Sugar Plum Festival being held October 27 th and 28 th , 2023
December 12th	Christmas Party
Feb 28, 2024	Add an Altrusan Party - invite a guest you think may like to join
May 22, 2024	Installation Dinner



5. Sponsors

Your sponsors are available to answer your questions, address your concerns, and help you learn about the Club. Don't hesitate to ask!

6. Participation

As they are our two major fundraisers, there is the expectation that you participate in some way in: Deltarado Days BBQ and Sugar Plum Festival.

Don't worry—there are lots of opportunities to help! Many hands make light work!

Of course, you may want to (and we hope you will!) serve on our Service projects that spark your interest. The bottom line is—enjoy your service and participate when and where you can!

It is also important to keep track of the hours you spend either working at an event, cooking, preparing for an event, attending committee meetings, doing service work outside of Altrusa. There is a Google Document that will be sent to you to keep track of your hours. The hours we spend working on service projects helps us win awards at conference and convention.

7. Web Sites

The Altrusa International website is www.altrusa.org

- You can visit as a guest or log in as a member when you join to access more information.

Members Only Login: www.login.altrusa.org User name: altrusan

Password: MamieBass1955

The Delta Altrusa website is www.AltrusaInternationalofDelta.com

- It is an excellent source of information about our Altrusa Club! When you become a member you can open up the Private side of the website and access our Yearbook, Member info, Newsletters, Calendar and many more great resources.
- Like us on Facebook:
Altrusa International of Delta

8. Newsletter

Our monthly newsletter, "The Deltrusan" is currently in suspension. Current affairs and meeting information is being posted on the website. The Communication Committee is continuously working on new methods of keeping the members informed.

9. Member Handbook

The information about Altrusa as well as information about each of our clubmembers and Altrusa Encyclopedia is available on our website in the member portion.



RECOMMENDATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

(To be completed by the sponsor)

Name: _____ Home address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Would you prefer to be contacted at: Home Work Cell (please check one)

E-mail address: _____

Other club/organization affiliations: _____

Why do you want to join Altrusa? _____

(For completion by Altrusa)

Birth day: _____ Profession/Occupation: _____
Month Day Year

How do you want to receive your publications? Hard copy Electronically

Sponsor name: _____ Sponsor ID#: _____

Co-Sponsor: _____ Co-Sponsor ID#: _____

Date Initiated: _____

Membership Committee

Approved
Not approved
Date _____
Initial _____

Altrusa Board

Approved
Not approved
Date _____
Initial _____

- ◆ A photo of you will go in this box, and your page in our club membership book will be printed with the information below. Include your cell phone number only if you wish it to be listed in the book.
- ◆ The membership book is for members only; it's for "us". It will not be published on the 'Public" website
- ◆ Please return this form to the Membership Chair



Name: _____

Employment: _____

E-Mail: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Birthday: _____

Anniversary: _____

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

Membership Date: _____

Sponsors: _____