



# What Happened?

## News and Information about our Club.

December 2012 - February 2013

### Bentonville /Bella Vista

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**A Note from our President** We Altrusans have extended the interest and desire beyond our club by giving books to African children in support of our literacy program. **Bobbie**

### This Quarterly will be short!

**Dec. 4.** Our regular meeting was our Holiday Party. I was in California and missed it but I hear the cookies were wonderful and I'm sure I missed some intriguing ornaments.

**Jan. 5** Susan Young of the Shiloh Museum came and spoke to us about Edsel Ford, an Ozark poet. She got us all going about our connections to the area. Hmmmm, did you know Bobbie Morgan is Jesse James' 10th cousin?

Charlotte Fisher reported that Kathryn Lowell's husband was able to take the books for our South African project back with him when he returned from his visit here. (See president's note.)

**Feb. 5** This was a working meeting. After getting it going, President Platt broke us up in to small groups to confer on future club events and fund raisers.

- Birthdays:**
- Dec. 1 Martha Jansz
  - Dec. 12 Merry Vincent
  - Dec. 12 Lisa Eldridge
  - Dec. 15 Judy Lemoine
  - Dec. 21 Byretta Fish
  - Jan. 7 Susan Ford
  - Jan. 14 Suzanne Webb
  - Jan. 20 Carolyn Lacey
  - Jan. 26 Vella Lewis



Katy chose Charlotte Fisher for our "I" report. She introduced her as a loyal friend and said she admired her for the kind way she appreciates her mother. When asked about her family she said, "Eight Grandchildren!" She was unable to tell us how she managed to skip the generation that gave her those grandchildren! Her secret talent? Although she claims not to have many secrets, she has always wanted to pursue painting. She also sang Barber Shop in High School and performed on TV. When growing up she set her sights on the Peace Corps. Apparently

meeting her husband Jim derailed those plans. The best advise she ever got came from her aunt. "Marry a rich man!" And a very valuable note to all her Altrusa Sisters..... When hanging a picture, the middle of the picture should be 5 feet from the floor. Good to know!

Good news from our own Suzanne. She was away again, but this time it was NOT health related. She went on an actual vacation to Arizona. Happy news Suzanne!

**Feb 19** Our speaker this day was Iris Gruwell, a dynamic octogenarian who recently went to Tanzania Africa, hiked Kilimanjaro and then went on to safari the Serengeti. We were all impressed, inspired, and awed by her.

Sadly, we had to say goodbye to Martha Jansz. She is moving to Arizona but has promised to visit Altrusa when she comes to visit her sister Valerie. Bobbie Platt brought a scrumptious strawberry cake for the occasion.



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Meetings are held at 11:30 on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, at the River Grill Restaurant in Bentonville. See us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/altrusa8](http://www.facebook.com/altrusa8)