



Bentonville /Bella Vista

# What Happened?

News and Information about our Club.  
March 2014

### March Birthdays

Mar. 12 Bobbie Morgan  
Mar. 19 Charlotte Fisher



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**A Note from our President:** Altrusa’s service to the community consists, not in saying great things, but in the daily earnest practices of its principles. *Bobbie*

**March 4** Oh dear, more snow. The Bags for Books luncheon was postponed. We will try again on the 18th.

**March 5** The Grants and Awards committee had their second meeting at Duffers Restaurant. Bobbie, Katy, Peggy, Gay and Valerie were there. Charlotte was absent as she needed a “Procedure” on her nose. When she received the minutes of our meeting, she sent us the minutes of her morning. “One biopsy with clear results then 7 internal stitches, 13 topside, swollen eye with black eye to follow.” I think our meeting was more fun.

All District Conference entries must be in by March 25th. Katy downloaded and “Shared” all the criteria and submittal forms . We are on it!

**March 13** Distressing news! Mary Lou Harris has fallen and broken her hip. We will all be sending up prayers for her.

**March 15** Mary Lou’s hip surgery went well and she is on the mend. Good news!

**March 18** We once again joined the United Way of North West Arkansas in hosting the 2nd annual "Bags for Books" luncheon at the Springdale Holiday Inn. Emcee Dan Skoff of KNWA announced that we can now offer books to over 900 pre-schoolers in North West Arkansas.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a FREE GIFT to our children! Guest speaker David Jolliffe, Professor and Brown Chair in English Literacy, said in his presentation that the very act of reading to our children significantly increases their chance for a successful life.



Bobbie Platt, Katie Henkel, “Dolly”, Karen Robbins, & Charlotte Fisher

Previously only children under the age of one could be enrolled. This year any child under the age of five can be enrolled. More good news!

**March 20** "Please put the Lacey family in your prayers". This message was e-mailed to all of us by Suzanne Webb. Carolyn's three grandson's, ages 18, 15 & 13, were in a terrible auto accident.

**March 21** News update on Carolyn's grandsons. The oldest was released with cuts and abrasions on his face. The two younger boys had broken pelvis' and the 15 year old had liver damage. They are improving, though, and she indicated prayers have helped. We will keep them right there in our prayers!

**March 22** Good news from Charlotte Fisher. "Good morning! The Bags for Books Luncheon profits were over \$9000."

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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)