

What Happened?

News and Information about our Club.

Bentonville/Bella Vista

Nov. - Dec. 2018



Nov. Dec. Birthdays

Nov. 10 Janet Edwards

Nov. 27 Katy Henkel

Dec. 6 Sheryl Burhenn

Dec. 7 Marian Eagle

Dec. 21 Byretta Fish

A Note from our President: By the time you read this, we will be well into the holiday season. But, we don't want to move too fast into the New Year. November and December are usually a slow down for our club meetings, but, that doesn't mean our community involvement slows down. We had another opportunity to work with Rogers Days4Girls which was very organized and fruitful. Hopefully that trend will continue. Another book swap at TJ Elementary which was fun. The kids are catching on to the fact that we give them 2 books for every 1 they bring. We even have bags now for those who get so many they can't carry them all! We'll be having our Christmas party, purchasing gifts for the Single Parent Scholarship Fund (SPSF) families, helping with the SPSF Christmas party, and helping with the Scholastic Books Warehouse sale. WHEW! Plus celebrating the holidays. I hope you and yours are blessed this holiday season with family gatherings, joy, laughter, and great food! Now, let me get back to my Hallmark Holiday Movie marathon (I love them all!!!).

Gay Kiker



Nov. 4 Gay and Carla attended another **Days for Girls** sew-a-thon. They said it was very well organized and they got a lot accomplished with Altrusans from other clubs. This is Altrusa International President, Leanne Milligan's, project that she asked all Altrusans to embrace for this biennial. District Eight is pitching in!

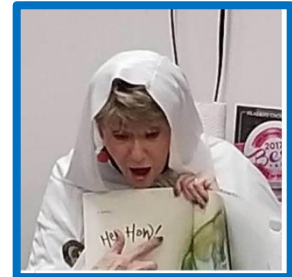
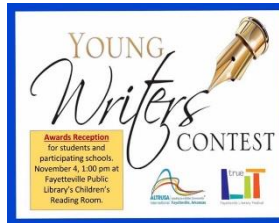


November 6. Our meeting was called to order by President Gay with this **Altrusa Accent...** Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. *Margaret Mead*

Dictionary Project Janet has reported that all of the dictionaries have been delivered! We delivered 1,862 dictionaries this year. We have about 50 left over and 20 of them will go to Northwest Arkansas Children's Shelter. Great job Janet and all who distributed the dictionaries!



Gail Cowdin has been busy. On Oct. 31 she was at the library reading to a group of preschoolers as "Granny Boo". She looked perfect for Halloween. Then in Nov. she was judging poetry for the Young Writers Contest sponsored by Altrusa of Fayetteville.



Dec. 4 -The Holiday Party! We met, we laughed, we ate, we laughed, we drank, we laughed, we visited, we laughed! Thanks to Katy for keeping us entertained. And a big **THANK YOU** to Gay and Ben for their hospitality and for the limo service to and from our cars!





Dec. 5. Our club has once again joined the **Single Parent Scholarship Fund** and provided Christmas gifts for a mother and 4 children. Linda, Kris, Marion, Terri, and Sue did the shopping and brought the gifts to our Christmas party. Karen, Gay and Connie delivered them the next day.

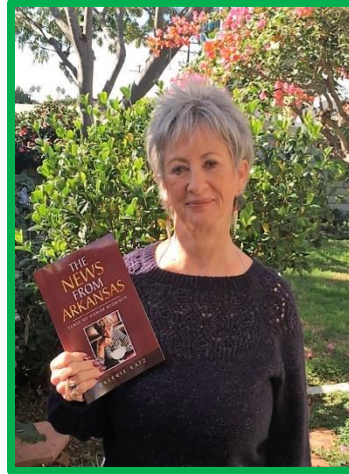
We earned books for the library at the **Thomas Jefferson Elementary School** volunteering at the **Scholastic Books Warehouse** at Grace Point Church on December 17, 18, and 19.



Dec. 14 was the Single Parent Scholarship Fund Christmas Party and our club was there to hand out pizza, help the volunteers with crafts, and make sure each participating child got to pick out a new book and a reading buddy stuffed animal. Great Christmas fun!!



Congratulations to Carla! She was honored by her former employer, Emerson, for being the original woman who traveled and worked out in the field.



Congratulations to Valerie. She finally got her book finished and published. You can find it on Amazon. Or ask her and save on shipping or get a free e-book!

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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. Our web-site altrusa-bb.com See us on Facebook www.facebook.com/altrusa8