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The Altrusa International Foundation, Inc.'s newsletter, supporting Altrusans in service and leadership to their communities

Kennett Square, PA

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Foundation programs with
a tax-deductible gift today!



GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATIONS DUE BY MARCH 15

CLICK HERE FOR APPLICATION

Grant opportunities:

- Altrusa Clubs are eligible to receive one grant per cycle
- ASTRA Clubs may apply through a sponsoring local Altrusa Club
- Altrusa Districts are eligible to apply for one grant per cycle
- Altrusa or ASTRA Clubs chartered September 1, 2019, or later, may receive a onetime grant up to \$2,000

We look forward to assisting your great service work.

CLUB 21 PROGRAM PROMISES EVEN GREATER OUTREACH IN 2020

Did you know a *new* children's camp received a grant from Club 21 in 2019?

The Club 21 Program is committed to serving children, and their families, affected by disease and disabilities.

Click here for your Club 21 membership-plus learn more about children's camps and international healthcare programs supported by Club 21.

CLUB 21 DISTRIBUTION

\$10,000

2016-17

\$22,000

2017-18

\$29,865

2018-19

In honor of Martha Hardwick Hofmeister's longstanding service to the Altrusa International Foundation we are delighted to announce

The Hofmeister Lamplighter

This new award has been created to recognize Martha's many years of service to the Foundation and to highlight the generosity of the Foundation's extraordinary donors.

The Lamplighter Program recognizes Altrusans who contribute \$500 to the Foundation in one year.

Lamplighter members receive a gold pendant upon their first gift, then a diamond chip is awarded for each subsequent gift. The pendant can hold (25) diamonds.

Upon the 25th Lamplighter gift to the Altrusa Foundation a member will receive the *Hofmeister Lamplighter* pendant.

We look forward to sharing the jewelry design with you in the next issue of the Impact.

Click here to become a Foundation Lamplighter!

Spotlight an Altrusan

Martha Hardwick Hofmeister Altrusa International of Downtown Dallas, Texas

Naturalized Texan Martha Hardwick Hofmeister has been an Altrusan in the Downtown Dallas club since 1986.

She's served as club president twice; Governor of District Nine 2003-05; District Nine Parliamentarian for 13 years; International Director 2005-07; legal advisor to the Association 1989-91; and Foundation legal advisor from 2000 to the present. Martha credits Altrusa with giving her leadership training, novel opportunities to deliver service, and many of her very best friends.

"When I arrived in Dallas in 1984, I knew no one. That I am surrounded today by accomplished, dedicated, loving friends is largely due to Altrusa."

Her long service to the International Foundation board has bonded her to Altrusans from all over the world as they support the Foundation's important work and utilize the Foundation's group exemption to create local club foundations in their own communities.



Above: Martha and Downtown Dallas Altrusans delivering Thanksgiving dinners to the clients of Shared Housing. Includes Debby Weber, Kim Abmeyer, and Monica Urbaniak

"I don't think those who've served and are serving as elected trustees for the Foundation get enough credit for their tireless efforts to find new ways to subsidize community service, disaster relief, education, and families and women in need everywhere in our world. Those women are my heroes," Martha said.

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Martha is a business litigation attorney, and spends non-working, non-Altrusa time with other worthy projects.



The Bar None Production Company

She is the third American lawyer to be selected as a member of Europe-based Commercial Law Group (and she loves attending those meetings); she's active with the Federal Bar Association, including having served as President of its associated foundation; she's a member and past President of the William "Mac" Taylor Inn of Court; and she's the

first and only director of the Dallas Bar Association's well-regarded annual follies, Bar None.

She shares these adventures, and as much travel as possible, with her husband of 18 years, Kent. They love their assorted bonus kids and grandkids, their nephews and nieces and their offspring, and their pets: Lola the dog and Charley, Teddy, and Rosie the cats.

Martha and her husband, Kent.



Please send nominations for *Spotlight an Altrusan* to foundation@altrusa.org by March 31, 2020

LEAVE A LEGACY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF ALTRUSANS TO COME

The Altrusa International Foundation is committed to empowering Altrusans in leading effective local community service programs.

We ask you join us in making positive impacts on communities worldwide by including the Altrusa International Foundation in your estate plans.

Those who commit planned gifts will receive special acknowledgment at the 2021 Quebec City Convention.

Contact the Foundation office and a member of the Board of Trustees will be available to answer your questions.

Altrusa International Foundation, Inc.

Thank you for your support.



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