

*Personal growth of members  
with many opportunities for  
leadership skills development.*



“With over 360 locations across 11 countries worldwide, Altrusa is made up of civic-minded members who find great joy in enhancing the lives of others. With an area of focus on literacy, a variety of additional needs are met in our local community. We welcome the involvement of new members who want to advance their skills, meet new friends, volunteer alongside community leaders, or simply want to add meaningful new experience to their lives. Contact us to guide you in the process of becoming an Altrusan.”

Altrusa International Club of Meredith, NH, Inc. is a vibrant and active volunteer community service organization that was founded in 1981. Working together, members volunteer their talents, energy and expertise in projects dedicated to community betterment and improving the quality of life for those in need. Projects are supported through various fundraisers.

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**ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL  
CLUB OF MEREDITH, NH,  
INC.**



**Leaders in Service for a Better  
Community**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### About Altrusa

#### **What is Altrusa?**

Altrusa is an international non-profit community service organization making our local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. With over 10,000 members organized in 360 community-based clubs in nearly every state and throughout 11 countries we strive to create better communities worldwide.

Altrusa was founded in 1917; the Meredith Club has been active since 1981.

Altrusa espouses volunteerism, literacy and community service.

We provide young leaders opportunities to grow by sponsoring an ASTRA Club for young women and men ages 12 to 25; encouraging them to participate in serving and improving our community while offering the opportunity for social interaction and personal growth.

#### **How often does Altrusa meet?**

Business meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month, September through June, at the Meredith Community Center at 6:00 p.m.

Our dinner/program meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at an area restaurant at 5:30 p.m.

#### **How does Altrusa raise money for the community projects it is involved in?**

To fund our many initiatives and community outreaches, the Altrusa International Club of Meredith hosts the annual Festival of Trees held each year in late November or early December. 2015 marked our 20th annual Festival of Trees. The Festival of Trees is our largest fundraiser and has become a family tradition in the Lakes Region.

We have become well known at the craft fairs held each year at Mill Falls for selling the most delicious hot dogs in the area! Each year we set up a grill at the spring and fall craft fairs and sell fresh off-the-grill hot dogs and beverages to those attending and working at the craft fairs.

Annually, in May we participate in the community-wide yard sale held in Meredith. We can be found selling treasures in the front yard of Meredith's Chamber of Commerce.

In the Fall, we sponsor Cow Pie Bingo, a 50/50 Raffle, in which a limited number of tickets are sold. With the assistance of Meredith Parks and Recreation outlining the bingo landscape and John Moulton of Moulton Farm providing the field for Bessie, the cow, the afternoon helps to make this an exciting fundraiser for the whole family to enjoy.



#### **What Community Programs benefit from our efforts?**

##### **Scholarships**

Scholarships awarded annually to non-traditional students returning to pursue their education or to retool their skills for new job opportunities.

ASTRA scholarships awarded annually to students seeking post-secondary or vocational education.

##### **Literacy/Libraries**

Delivering books to the homebound.  
Reading to children in area daycare centers.

##### **Monthly Free Community Dinners**

##### **Inter-Lakes Christmas Fund**

##### **Area Food Pantries**

##### **Salvation Army**

##### **Inter-Lakes Community Caregivers**

##### **NH Humane Society**

##### **Inter-Lakes High School**

##### **Art and Cultural Events**

##### **International Outreach Program**