

*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 and has over 35 active members. 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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Meredith, NH 03253



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



**Leaders in Service for a Better  
Community for over 100 Years**

**Our Mission:  
Through performance of Community  
Service, we support Families,  
Individuals and Organizations within  
our Community—Local and Global**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### About Altrusa

#### ***Who is Altrusa?***

Altrusa is an international non-profit organization making our local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. We are civic-minded people who strive to create better communities worldwide. There are over 10,000 members organized in 360 community-based clubs in nearly every state and throughout 11 countries. Altrusa's focus is on literacy, volunteerism and community service giving over one million volunteer hours annually.

Altrusa was founded in 1917; Altrusa International has held observer status at the United Nations since 1948 and the Meredith Club has been active since 1981.

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. 2020 marked our 25th 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.

Each summer we participate with Moulton Farm in the Farm to Table program, providing surplus fresh produce to Lakes Region Community Dinners and Food Pantries.

Once a month we provide a Community Dinner at Meredith's Community Center. We welcome anyone who would like to enjoy a home-cooked meal in the company of neighbors. Check our website for time and reservation details.

#### ***How can I become an Altrusan?***

Write to us at:

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Or email us at: info@ [altrusameredithnh.org](mailto:info@altrusameredithnh.org)

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

##### **Scholarships**

Scholarships awarded annually to adult-learners over the age of twenty-three 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.

##### **Kindergarten Bags**

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

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

##### **Salvation Army**

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

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

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

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

##### **Boots & Winter Coat Drives**

##### **Community Easter Egg Hunt**