

Altrusa International of Quincy

Small but mighty!

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Altrusa Club of Quincy:



Standing from left to right: Kathleen Bambrick, Ilda O'Connor, Kelly Cobble (RIP), Becky Egan, Karen Mosman

Sitting from left to right: Deanna White-Hebart and Linda Beck

Altrusa Club of Quincy, MA



March 12th will hold new meaning for the Altrusa Community as we lost our beloved President of Altrusa International of Quincy, Kelly Cobble.

Kelly had been the president since 2014. Before that, she had been a member and followed in her mother's footsteps. Her mother, Ardys Peterson had been a long-time member of the Altrusa International Chapter of Quincy for many years and Kelly, the eternal volunteer, was happy to help her with the many projects that were held near and dear to her Quincy roots.

She promoted literacy and encouraged us to continue reading within the Quincy School systems, a large and very diverse school system in the suburbs of Boston. She spearheaded book drives, and dozens of projects over the years to promote literacy and the literacy gap in the schools as well as to the underprivileged. Altrusan projects included Birthday in a Box, home libraries for needy veterans and art projects for the needy. Kelly pushed for projects to help the homeless, the hungry and the underserved. Without hesitation, Kelly pushed and mobilized our members to tackle projects wherever the need existed.

Kelly lived to help others and to help others learn the benefits and love of literacy, art, history and volunteerism. This was exemplified in her life work both in Altrusa and within the other organizations she assisted in within her Community.

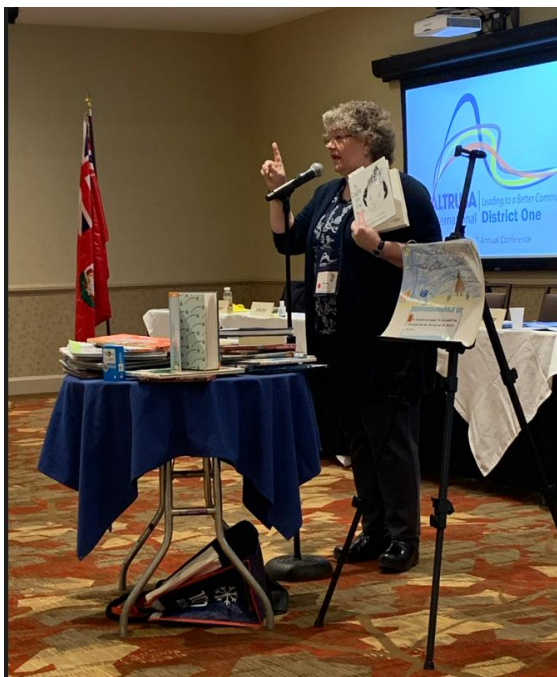
While working as the Curator of the National Park systems in Quincy, she also supported through volunteerism so many groups including, but not limited to: Quincy Art Association, Girls and Boy Scouts, Youth Soccer, Historical Society, Conservation Committee, Parents Councils and more.

She will be forever missed by so many. We will continue to honor her legacy through our work with Altrusa International.

Altrusa International Inc.
District One Conference
April 22-24, North Conway, NH
Opening the DOOR to SERVICE

Becky and Karen attended the amazing and exhilarating annual conference in April.

In addition to finding a lot of support from our fellow Altrusans, we learned a lot. The club will be making positive changes to incorporate idea learned from the conference. Our theme for this year is Revitalization!!



What's the Story with the Story

Becky Egan presentor

District One Conference Highlights

- Governor's Welcome Reception – social!!
- Flag Ceremony – what fun!
- First Timer's Session – Karen won an award which includes registration to November workshop in CT!
- Delegates – lesson learned, two delegates next year!
- Conference Rules – a lot learned here!
- Memorial Service – heart wrenching, see poem on page 3
- Key Note Speaker – CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates)
- FUN-draising Fair – next time we will participate!
- Silent Auction – super successful (for Altrusa and Becky and Karen)
- Dinner and Entertainment – The Bakery Band
- Awards presented – expect us to be recipients next conference!!
- Calendar Girls – how fun!!
- What's the Story with the Story – Becky Egan – amazing!

Defined Member Roles:

Becky – Acting President, Kathy – Treasurer, Linda – Correspondence Secretary, Ilda – Social Media Secretary, Deanna – Public Relations, Karen – Secretary

There is no light without a dawning

No winter without a spring

And beyond the dark horizon

Our hearts will once more sing...

For those who leave us for a while

Have only gone away

Out of a restless, care worn world Into a
brighter day

~Helen Steiner Rice

District One Memorial 2022

In memory of our late Altrusa Members

Helen Fletcher – Bermuda

Sarah Jane Poli – Greater Biddeford-Saco

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Judy Addazio – Litchfield

Susan Amiss – Meredith

J. Lynne Stanley-Haney – Northeastern CT

Jane McGuigan – Northeastern Ct

Theresa Mancini – Portland

Carolyn Holman – Portland

Kelly Cobble – Quincy

Our Accomplishments Fall 2021 – Spring 2022

Ours 7 members, including our late President, Kelly Cobble, focus on literacy, veterans, and homelessness. Many of our projects intersect across focuses – for example, we filled a bookcase for the child of a serviceman who receiving a home from Home for Our Troops.

We are particularly excited and proud of winning of a grant for our Homeless Teens Dignity Project. We prepared 100 11-piece hygiene kits that were dispersed to the Homeless student/family liaisons for our local high schools to be shared amongst the students. This was our first Grant request and we are pumped to do more!

- Homeless Teens Dignity Program
- Mallet Health Drive – socks, hats, gloves
- Book Collection for Interfaith International
- 200 Personalized notes for new & expectant Mom's
- Homes for Our Troops Library
- Letters to Soldiers
- Birthday In a Box
- Sunshine Care Bags and Holiday Bags for elderly residents
- Participated in multiple Relay For Life Fundraising activities

Altrusa Benediction

May we go forth with high ideals
To greet our fellow man,
Be true to all Altrusa aims
Until we meet again