



All Aboard District Nine Fall Leadership Train

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION PACKET

2016 Altrusa District Nine Fall Leadership Event

Saturday, November 5, 2016 – 9:00 am

PALESTINE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

Meals on Wheels of Palestine

200 North Church Street

Palestine, Texas 75801



Altrusans,

Choo! Choo! Get on board the Altrusa Leadership Train. You are invited to join me at the 2016 Fall Leadership Event. We board the Altrusa Leadership Train at the station in Palestine, Texas on Saturday, November 5th.

We will have an exciting train ride with leadership opportunities planned for you at each stop...please review the “itinerary” on page 5. See you at the station, soon! Remember, YOU are KEY to the success of Altrusa.

**Sylvia Zamora
Governor**



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Registration Form

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Enclosed is my check for \$35, payable to Altrusa District Nine.

Name _____

Altrusa International of _____

Address _____

City, Zip _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Registration includes a "Build Your Own Baked Potato" Lunch. The menu should accommodate most dietary requirements. If you have a special dietary request, please note your request on this form. We will accommodate your request, if possible.

Mail this form and your check for \$35 to:

Diane Sloan, Altrusa International of Anderson County
P. O. Box 1050, Palestine, TX 75802-1050
Diane's cell - (903)391-7130
Email - dsloan3089@gmail.com

**For hotel reservations, go to Hampton.com or contact
Hampton Inn & Suites, 2700 South Loop 256,
Palestine, TX 75801 (903) 723-0016.**

Mention the special code "AIG" to receive the nightly rate of \$95 for a room with two queen beds, sleeping up to 4. The special group rate and availability cannot be guaranteed after October 14, 2016. Any rooms reserved through third party agencies will not be subject to the group rate and will not qualify as a block room.

Please make your reservations now to ensure you have a room!



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Hotel Accommodations

Hampton Inn & Suites Palestine



Located in Palestine, Hampton Inn & Suites Palestine is in a convenient location, close to Museum for East Texas Culture and Green Park. This hotel is within the vicinity of University of Texas at Tyler Palestine Campus.

Enjoy Hampton's free hot breakfast. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Hampton is committed to making that important meal a delicious one with a delightful variety of your favorite morning treats.

Rooms

Make yourself at home in one of the 80 air-conditioned rooms featuring LCD televisions. Complimentary wired and wireless Internet access keeps you connected, and satellite programming provides entertainment. Conveniences include desks and coffee/tea makers, as well as phones with free local calls.

Amenities

Take advantage of recreation opportunities including an indoor pool and a fitness center. Additional features include complimentary wireless Internet access and a television in a common area.

Dining

Grab a bite from a grocery/convenience store serving guests of Hampton Inn & Suites Palestine.

Business, Other Amenities

Featured amenities include complimentary high-speed (wired) Internet access, a 24-hour business center, and express check-out. Planning an event in Palestine? This hotel has facilities measuring 798 square feet (72 square meters), including a meeting room. Free parking is available onsite.





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An Evening with the District Nine Board

Please join the District Nine Board for an evening of fun in beautiful Palestine, Texas. It starts with dinner at Don Mario's and ends at Texas Art Depot and Granny Muffin Wines.

When: 6:30 pm
Friday, November 4, 2016

Where: Don Mario's Mexican Cuisine
1103 East Palestine Avenue
Palestine, Texas 75801
903-729-5054

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g56414-Palestine_Texas.html#MAPVIEW

After dinner, head over to the Texas Art Depot and Granny Muffin Wines for a private event just for Altrusa!

Come for the wine tasting, stay for the shopping and fellowship!

Wine will be available for purchase as a wine tasting (first 2 tastes are free), by the glass (\$6) or by the bottle (most are \$15).

All of the wines are made in house by Altrusans Mike & April Johnston.



Texas Art Depot and Granny Muffin Wines
301 W Oak Street, Palestine, TX 75801
Phone (903) 729-1940
Tuesday through Saturday 9:00-5:30
www.grannymuffinwines.com



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Preliminary Schedule

Registration Opens	8:00 am
Collection of Blessing Bags Viewing of 2016 Conference Video	
Welcome, Invocation, Accent	9:00 am
Sylvia Zamora, Governor Lois Durant, President, Altrusa Anderson County Beverly Luedke, Leadership Training Chair	
Keynote Address	9:30 am
Chef Simon Webster, Entrepreneur and Chef Introduction by Antonia Buban, 1 st Vice Governor	
Break	10:45 am
Leadership Workshop	11:00 am
Presented by Beth Blair, Immediate Past-Governor	
Lunch, Live Auction	12:00 noon
Shirley Raymer, Foundation Liaison	
Awards Workshop	1:00 pm
Presentations by Awards Coordinators Lois Durant, Jackie Robertson, Sherry Patterson and Mary Standfield	
Social Media Workshop	1:00 pm
Presented by Trina Taylor, 2 nd Vice Governor Frances Dalbey, Communications Committee Co-chair	
Announcements and Adjournment	2:00 pm
Sylvia Zamora, Governor Elnora Robins, Service Project Chair Shirley Raymer, Foundation Liaison Temple Club, 2017 Conference Host Club Altrusa Centennial Update - Centennial Fundraiser Club Winner	
* Bonus - Advanced Social Media - Hands-On Workshop	2:15 pm
Presented by Trina Taylor, 2 nd Vice Governor and Frances Dalbey, Communications Committee Co-chair	

* Please bring your personal laptop for this workshop



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Keynote Speaker

Chef Simon Webster
Entrepreneur and Chef

Born in England and raised in New Zealand, Chef Webster was classically trained at the New Zealand Culinary Institute through City & Guilds of London. He apprenticed with the finest chefs in the area.

Chef's experience in the kitchen spans forty years and includes chef and developer for five-star restaurants in New Zealand. He was chef and food and beverage manager for prestigious wine bars and pubs in London and Manchester, catering consultant for Nestle corporation and first-class chef for BMI Airlines. He was owner of his own restaurant & catering company in Derbyshire, England & now the United States.

He opened Sabor a Pasion in Palestine in 2004, and single-handedly transformed it into an East Texas culinary destination. Guests come from across America & around the world to indulge in his restaurant, bed & breakfast, event center, wedding venue, catering headquarters and vineyard.

Chef Simon joined Altrusa International of Anderson County in April 2016 after being asked to help with an Altrusa fundraiser and he has been an active member since. Chef Simon will share life experiences and growth into the successful chef he has become. He will also entice the audience with a festive cooking demonstration of one of his most favorite New Zealand desserts, "Pavlova."





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District Service Project

Blessing Bags for Meals on Wheels

The District Nine Leadership team in conjunction with the District Service Committee has designed a service project for the Fall Leadership Event. We are asking all District Nine Clubs to create and donate “Blessings Bags” to be distributed by Meals on Wheels of Palestine. The organization supports three cities in East Texas and serves over 700 meals per day in those cities. The Blessing Bags will be collected the morning of the Fall Leadership Event.

A Blessing Bag consists of an assortment of the items on the checklist to the right. The items you choose should fit into a gallon size Ziplock style of plastic bag. The plastic bag is **KEY** for several reasons:

- Helps to keep everything together and in one bag so they can easily access the supplies in their bags/backpacks
- Keeps the items from spilling/leaking onto their personal items
- The bags can later be used for other storage options – storing toiletries, snacks, etc.



- NECESSITIES:**
- GALLON SIZE ZIPLOC BAG
 - HAND-WARMERS
 - BAG OF QUARTERS
 - BOTTLE OF WATER
 - BAND-AIDS
 - BABY WIPES
 - HAND SANITIZER
 - WASH CLOTH
 - FIRST AID KIT (TRAVEL-SIZED)
- NON-PERISHABLE FOODS:**
- INSTANT OATMEAL PACKS
 - GRANOLA BARS
 - ENERGY BARS
 - TUNA/CRACKER PACKS
 - TRAIL MIX
 - RAISINS
 - PEANUTS
 - FRUIT/ APPLESAUCE (WITH SPOON)
 - GUM/HARD CANDY
 - HOT COCOA/SPICED CIDER MIXES
 - ON-THE-GO COFFEE MIXES
 - TEA PACKETS
 - BEEF JERKY STICKS
- TOILETRIES:**
- TOOTHBRUSH
 - TOOTHPASTE
 - FLOSS
 - SOAP
 - DEODORANT
 - SHAMPOO/CONDITIONER
 - COMB
 - PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS FOR WOMEN
 - SUNSCREEN
 - CHAPSTICK
- PERSONAL ITEMS:**
- NEW SOCKS
 - NEW UNDERWEAR
 - INEXPENSIVE GLOVES
- EXTRAS:**
- NOTE OF ENCOURAGEMENT
 - LIST OF LOCAL RESOURCES
 - PREPAID PHONE CARD
 - GROCERY STORE GIFT CARD
- *Travel size toiletries work great*

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Workshops

Writing an Altrusa International Club Award Submission

Presented by
Jackie Robertson, Co-Coordinator
Dr. Nina Fay Calhoun International Relations Award

Lois Durant, Coordinator
Letha H. Brown Literacy Award

Sherry Patterson, Coordinator
Mamie L. Bass Service Award

Mary Standfield, Coordinator
District Communications Award

Join District Nine Award Coordinators in an informative workshop to develop a working understanding of the criteria required to submit a club end of year award entry.

Leading in All Stages of Altrusa

Presented by Beth Blair, Immediate Past Governor, District Nine

Whether you are the International President or our newest Altrusan, there is a role for you as a leader in your local Club. This workshop is a share-fest for all to learn from each other about the challenges of leadership.

Raise the Public Image of Your Club Using Social Media

Presented by Trina Taylor, 2nd Vice Governor, Social Media Coordinator
Francis Dalbey, Communications Committee Co-chair

Developing a Social Media plan for your Altrusa Club is essential to the success of your public image. Join us for an informative and hands-on workshop to develop ideas and skills to successfully promote your club.

Bonus - Advanced Social Media - Hands-On Workshop

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Bring your personal laptop for hands-on practice with social media sites.

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**Live Auction
Supporting International Foundation**



**Ivanka Trump Designer Handbag
Value \$300**



**Decorative Lennox Crystal Bowl
Value \$75**



**Simulated Diamond Bracelet
14K Gold over Silver
Value \$200**



**Custom Designed Necklace
Value \$65**



**DFW Marriott Championship Circle
Fort Worth, Texas
Stay & Play Gift Certificate
2 Nights with Breakfast and
Round of Golf for 2
Value \$600**



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Things to DO and See in Palestine

Art & Culture

Howard House Museum - Open for tours and special events by appointment, 1101 N. Perry St. 903-723-0268

Museum for East Texas Culture - (a former Palestine High School) Located in Reagan Park, 400 Micheaux Ave - 903-723-1914. Hours: Wed-Sat 10am-5pm.

Palestine Main Street Art Tracks - Follow Palestine Main Street on Facebook.

Texas State Railroad Society Museum - Located in the Carnegie Library at 502 N. Queen Street. Follow the Texas State Railroad Society on Facebook.

Texas Theatre - Located at 213 W. Crawford St. Follow the Texas Theatre on Facebook.

Architecture & Attractions

Anderson County Courthouse - Open to the public Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. 500 N. Church St.

Carnegie Library - Registered Texas Historical Landmark in 1970, Located at 502 N. Queen St.

Palestine Main Street District - Follow Palestine Main Street on Facebook.

Pilgrim Church - Take 287 to Elkhart; right on 294, into Elkhart; cross RR tracks, turn left on 861, church is on the left.

Texas State Railroad - 789 Park Rd 70, 877-726-7245, www.texasstaterr.com. Follow Texas State Railroad on Facebook. There is a Sunday Brunch ride!

Palestine Visitor Center - Located at 825 Spring St., 903-723-3014. Follow Palestine Visitor Center on Facebook.

Walking & Driving Tours - Contact 903-123-3014 for more information

Click here for a destination video from Palestine Tourism Department:

<http://www.visitpalestine.com/users/0008/docs/PalestineTXv5-HD.mp4>