



59th International **CONVENTION**

July 23-26, 2025



Quebec City

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Quebec City, Quebec

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<https://altrusainternational.regfox.com/altrusa-international-inc-2025-convention>

From the President

It is hard to believe that in just a few short months this Altrusa year will be over and will be closely followed by the end of the biennium as we meet at Convention in Quebec City to celebrate our achievements.

I am honored to issue this official Call to the 59th Altrusa International Biennial Convention, July 23-26, 2025 at the Quebec Hilton, Quebec City, Canada. Located near Parliament and Old Town Quebec. I am sure you will enjoy all the Convention as well as Quebec City has to offer. There is lots of information in this Call to Convention to help you start making plans to join us in July. We are excited to be hosted by not only the members of Altrusa International of Quebec City but also by the members of District One including outgoing Governor Rita Cote and incoming Governor Susan Porazzo.



The registration fee will be \$450 per person. Meals for guests will also be available for additional charges. The registration form will be sent separately soon as the hotel is making menu changes which has affected our ability to complete additional meal cost charges.

The room block opens on March 10. Please use the link in this Call to Convention to reserve your rooms. The Quebec Hilton has stunning views no matter which side of the hotel your room is located. You can see historic sites, mountains, and the St. Lawrence Seaway. The hotel was completely remodel prior to our original dates in July 2021.

Convention will begin on Wednesday evening with our Opening Banquet and close at the end of the Installation Banquet on Saturday evening. During the week we will have keynote speakers, excellent workshops, business sessions, a wonderful Foundation luncheon, a moving Celebration of Life for the Altrusans we have lost this biennium, and an optional event that will be educational as well as entertaining. And maybe most importantly, Convention will give us an opportunity to reconnect as Altrusans and meet new Altrusans attending Convention for the first time. There will be time for laughter and fellowship before heading back home with our hearts reenergized for Altrusa.

First Timers, don't miss the First Timer session on Wednesday. Delegates and alternates, especially should plan to attend the delegate and financial briefings on Wednesday. This is your chance to ask questions so that the business sessions run smoothly.

*You won't want to miss out on this opportunity to spend some time with your Altrusa family in beautiful Quebec City as we celebrate all that we have accomplished and all that we will accomplish... Let's get ready to **Rock the Tartan!***

*And as also remember that **Altrusa ROCKS** so keep Realizing Opportunities and Creating Kindness.*

Remember to bring your Club Banner for the

Parade of Banners

to be held at the first business session on Thursday afternoon!!

“Rocking the Tartan”

As the 2025 Altrusa Convention Chair, I want to invite all Altrusans and their guests to join us in Quebec City July 23-26, 2025 at the beautiful Hilton Quebec City. Did you know Quebec City has their own tartan plaid. We will celebrate President Linda Smith’s theme of Altrusa Rocks and the Quebec City tartan as we meet in this beautiful city.



You are encouraged to come early, or stay after the Convention to explore this beautiful city. No matter what side of the hotel you are on, you will have breathtaking views – either Parliament/Old Quebec City, the Saint Lawrence River or the mountains. Remember you will need a passport, and plan to pay with your credit card to get the best rate at the hotel due to the currency exchange rate.

Please see information about optional tours elsewhere in this call.

President Linda has planned a fun and informative Altrusa International Convention. President-Elect Chris DeVlieger and her team have planned informative workshops that you won’t want to miss.

The Quebec Airport (YQB) has most major airlines flying in, except Southwest. There is no shuttle from the airport so consider using Uber, Lyft or town car service for transportation to and from the airport. If you will be driving to Convention, the hotel does provide valet as well as self-parking in their parking garage.

Quebec City weather in July will be in the middle to high 70s and lows in the 50s, so bring comfortable clothing, but also throw a sweater or light jacket into your luggage. We know the hotel meeting rooms are usually cold. Many of you said you weren’t coming to the last Convention due to the heat in Texas. We won’t have to worry about that in Canada.

Wednesday evening will feature our Opening Banquet, Thursday morning will be the Awards Breakfast, Friday Foundation Luncheon and Friday Night will be the optional event. The installation banquet will be Saturday night.

Our Friday night event will be at the hotel and will feature our “Rocking the Tartan” to celebrate the history and culture of Quebec City. Find your family tartan and wear it Friday night. This event will be at the hotel, but there will be a separate charge. Food and entertainment will be included.

Make your plans today (and don’t forget to bring you Altrusa pin, banner and auction items) to come to Quebec City this coming July. We will celebrate all our accomplishments and projects our clubs have completed over the last biennium. See you in Quebec City!!!

Convention Co-Chair/Function Coordinator Susan Porazzo (District One Governor-Elect) and I look forward to welcoming you to Quebec City.

Brenda Smith

Altrusa International Convention Chair, 2025

Altrusa International of Salina, KS Inc.

Check list of what to bring to Convention:

- ☐ Altrusa Pin
- ☐ Club Banner
- ☐ District Banner
- ☐ Service Project Club donation items (more details coming soon)
- ☐ International Foundation Silent Auction items (if applicable)
- ☐ Your favorite tartan plaid outfit for Friday Night Fun Even
- ☐ Comfortable shoes for exploring Quebec City
- ☐ Business casual attire for Business Meetings
- ☐ Cocktail or Formal Attire for Saturday Night's Installation Banquet
- ☐ Convention bag (only if you are going to need to have a bag)

What to wear ... the standard dress for Convention meetings is business casual. We tend to dress up a bit more for the Opening Banquet with the Installation Banquet being Cocktail to Formal. For our Fun Night we are encouraging everyone to wear their favorite tartan plaid dress, shirt, skirt, scarf, etc. as we will be celebrating Canada by *Rocking the Tartan*. Some meeting rooms may be a bit cool so you might throw in a light jacket or sweater.

Please make note ... the Parade of Banners will take place during the first Business Meeting on Thursday.

Seating business meetings ... special seating will be reserved for our Past International Presidents in the first two rows. All delegates should sit in designated seating with your District. Alternates and all others will sit in the free seating area toward the back of the room.

Convention kit bags ... will not be provided so please plan to bring a bag from prior years with you if you think you may need one.

59th Altrusa International Convention Schedule

July 2025

Quebec City, Quebec

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	FINANCE MEETING
10:45 AM – 4:00 PM	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	REGISTRATION/CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEETING
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	COME AND GO RECEPTION FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS, 2023-2025 GOVERNORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CO-CHAIRS*

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	2025-2027 PROGRAM TEAM AND GOVERNORS' PRESENTATION REHEARSAL
10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	EXPEDITORS MEETING
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL MEETING**
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	2023-2025 GOVERNOR-ELECT WORKSHOP
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING/LUNCHEON
10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS
11:30 PM – 1:00 PM	PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS' LUNCHEON
1:30 PM – 2:45 PM	FIRST TIMERS MEETING
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	FLAG CEREMONY REHEARSAL
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	ELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	DELEGATE BRIEFING
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM	OPENING BANQUET - KEYNOTE

Thursday, July 24, 2025

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	AWARDS PRESENTATION BREAKFAST
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	WORKSHOPS
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	FIRST BUSINESS SESSION
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	CANDIDATES FORUM/ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	ELECTIONS
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION DONOR RECEPTION*
8:00 PM –	OPEN EVENING

Friday, July 25, 2025

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	SECOND BUSINESS SESSION
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS
10:45 AM – 11:45 AM	WORKSHOPS
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	FOUNDATION LUNCHEON
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	WORKSHOPS
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	2025-2027 PROGRAM TEAM PRESENTATION
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM	OPTIONAL EVENT

Saturday, July 26, 2025

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	CELEBRATION OF LIFE
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	THIRD BUSINESS SESSION - KEYNOTE
1:00 PM – 3:30 PM	WORKSHOPS
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	INTERNATIONAL BOARD RECEPTION
7:30 PM – 10:00PM	INSTALLATION BANQUET

Sunday, July 27, 2025

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
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*** By Invitation Only**

**** Governors-Elect will audit second hour of Governor's Council meeting.
This Schedule At-A-Glance is subject to revisions.**

Hilton Quebec

1100 Rene Levesque East, Quebec City, Quebec, G1R 4P3, Canada

About

Views of Quebec from each guest room!

Find us across from Old Quebec, a UNESCO World Heritage site. The Plains of Abraham and Parliament are a short walk away. We're connected to the Centre des congrès de Québec and have the largest ballroom in the city. Enjoy our on-site restaurant and our heated rooftop pool.



Rooms rates:

\$272 CAD/night Mountain View

@\$190 USD

**\$292 CAD/night Old Quebec
River View**

@\$204 USD



The hotel is approximately a 30 minute drive from Jean Lesage International Airport.

Click here to book your stay today!

<https://book.passkey.com/event/50654494/owner/22761/home>

Keynote

Tim Suter – Executive Chairman: after serving as President & CEO of The Suter Company for 25 years Tim became Executive Chairman in 2024. In his tenure with the Company, he led Suter Co through rapid growth to more than 400 employees while sustaining a unique culture focused on employee care and community service. After 95 years and three generations of family ownership, Tim led the transition to Employee-Ownership in September of 2020. The Suter Company, a food manufacturing business, offers a comprehensive package of care benefits for its employees including chaplains, life coaches, ongoing educational opportunities including Financial Peace University and monthly community service opportunities for all employees. The Suter Company has been named ‘Best Large Employer’ in DeKalb County for the past three years. For more information visit: www.suterco.com



In addition to his leadership at The Suter Company, Tim serves as the President of Make A Difference DKC – a non-profit whose mission is to alleviate world hunger, is an active member of the C12 Group, and Chairperson of Hillcrest Covenant Church in DeKalb, IL. Tim has an undergraduate degree in Marketing from Miami University, Oxford OH and his Executive M.B.A. from Northern Illinois University. Tim and his wife Julie own & operate a pickleball club called the Pickleball Connection. They live in DeKalb, IL and have two adult children: Madeline and Cullin.



Friday Fun Night

Rocking the Tartan

Join us at the hotel for this optional event that will be a salute to Canada. There will be a cash bar and poutine stations for your eating enjoyment along with a variety of entertainment:



“Meet the King’s Daughters” a group of entertainers who sing and tell about the time of the Filles du Roy, women who are so rarely mentioned in history.

and more...

Did you know that Quebec City has their own tartan plaid? Wear your favorite tartan that night – dress, shirt, skirt, scarf, etc., whatever you want as we will be Rocking the Tartan that evening.

THINGS TO DO WHILE IN THE AREA

Idea #1: Ile d'Orléans Tour

Must-see attractions:

- Chocolate Factory on Île d'Orléans – Chocolate Factory
- Cidrerie Verger Bilodeau – Apple picking
- Cassis Monna & Filles – Famous black currant grower
- Vignoble Isle de Bacchus – Vineyard

It is also possible to do a guided tour from Old Quebec to Ile d'Orléans.

Booking: <https://quebecbustour.com/services/taste-trail-on-the-island-of-orleans/>

Idea #2: Workshop and Flavors

Created in 2008 Ateliers & Saveurs is the first culinary school located in North America to offer cooking and cocktail classes as well as wine tasting in the same space. They also have mixology classes.

Booking : <https://www.ateliersetsaveurs.com/en/branch-activities>

Idea #3: Guided cruise on the Saint Lawrence River

Explore Quebec City from the river and set sail for a must-do activity: a guided cruise on the Saint Lawrence River! Sail from Old Quebec to Montmorency Falls, passing by Île d'Orléans, and enjoy stunning views of the Château Frontenac.

Booking: <https://www.croisieresaml.com/en/our-cruises/quebec-city/guided-sightseeing-river-cruise>

Idea #4: Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec

The Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec is proud of its unparalleled collection of Québécois art, offering a vast panorama of Quebec's art history from the 17th century to present day through a collection containing over 42,000 pieces. The museum regularly hosts international exhibitions as well.

Booking: <https://www.mnbaq.org/en/tickets>

Idea #5: Museum of Civilization

A visitor-oriented museum with a participatory and interactive approach for stimulating wonderment and encouraging discovery. Magnificent exhibits of international calibre about Québec culture and history.

Booking: https://boutique.mcq.org/en_US/tickets

Idea #6: Walking tour of the city

There are many tours you can do in Quebec City.

- [Ghost Tours of Quebec](#)
- [Cicerone Tours](#)
- [HQ Tourist Services](#)
- [Tours See Quebec](#)

Idea #7: Montmorency Falls

Located a mere 15 minutes from Old Québec, Parc de la Chute-Montmorency is a spectacular historic site. Its 83-metre-high waterfall dominates the landscape. During a visit, you can get close to it in a number of different ways and feel all its might.

Booking: <https://www.sepaq.com/reservation/>

Convention Exhibit and Sales Tables

Tables will be available for those clubs wishing to display club exhibits and/or share fundraising projects during Convention. Cost for one 8-ft table with two chairs will be \$100. Please note the International Staff will not be able to help monitor your items so please make sure you have people available to assist in this area.

If you are interested please send the following information to altrusa@altrusa.org:

- **Name of Club**
- **Name of Contact Person**
- **E-Mail Address**

**Nothing with an Altrusa logo
on it may be sold per our
Doc Morgan contract.**

Deadline for payment will be June 30, 2025. We will create a list of requests in the order in which they are received and will fill on a first come first serve basis. We will do our best to accommodate all requests.



**enlarged to show detail*

This year's charm features an homage to Canada with a bright maple leaf and a moose, known to symbolize strength and resilience.

Only \$15 each.



Become a Charter Corporate Sponsor

As we prepare for the 2025 International Convention in beautiful Quebec City, the International Foundation is excited to invite you to join us in an exciting new initiative. For the first time ever, we are seeking corporate sponsors to help support the grant-making work of the Foundation and its ability to make a significant impact globally and locally. By becoming a Charter Sponsor, you help strengthen our collective ability to serve our communities and the world.

There are four sponsorship levels:

Diamond Level (Title Sponsor): \$10,000

- Exclusive recognition on our website, Impact newsletter, event program, and social media.
- 1/2 page ad in the event program.
- Direct link to your company on the Foundation website for one year.

Sapphire Level: \$5,000

- 1/4 page ad in the event program.
- Increased recognition on our website, social media platforms, Impact newsletter and event program.
- Promotional product placement during the event.

Ruby Level: \$2,500

- 1/8 page ad in the event program.
- Company name on the Foundation website, social media, event program, and Impact newsletter.

Amethyst Level: \$500

- Company name on the Foundation website and donor recognition wall.

Please contact Executive Director, Dr. Kantrice R. Rose, at foundation@altrusa.org for more information.

International Foundation Silent Auction

As you prepare for the International Convention, please don't forget to bring your items for the International Foundation's silent auction. Think of things personal to your Altrusa Club, and to you! Keep in mind auction items must be easy to transport home with their lucky winner.

CALL FOR
SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

Lamplighter and Intentional Acts of Giving Donor Reception

**by invitation only*

The International Foundation is looking forward to celebrating our donors who contributed \$500 USD or more during the biennium, either by making a Lamplighter-level contribution (\$500 or greater) between June 1, 2023-May 31, 2024 or between June 1, 2024-May 31, 2025, or participating in the Intentional Acts of Kindness Campaign at the Builder, Sustainer, Champion, or Hero level between January 1, 2024-May 31, 2025. Donors will be invited to a special donor recognition event on Thursday, July 24. Light refreshments and beverages will be served.

Thank you for your continued support of the Altrusa International Foundation and its programs.



SPONSORSHIPS

Be part of the celebration by placing your business advertisement, an ad for your annual fundraiser event, a personal celebration announcement, congratulations to a special Altrusan, a friend or family member, or an “in-memory of” in the Convention Program.

Name of Advertiser _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone _____

Indicate the size of your ad by checking the appropriate box below:

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|------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| Half page ad | \$250 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Quarter page ad | \$125 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Business card ad | \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> |



Special instructions:

E-mail completed form and digital artwork (.jpg preferred) to the International Office at altrusa@altrusa.org.

DEADLINE FOR AD SUBMISSIONS IS JUNE 1, 2025.



Altrusa Convention Registration

Quebec City, Quebec, Canada

July 23 - 26, 2025

Please Print or Type

Full Name _____ Name on Badge _____

Daytime Telephone () _____ Evening Telephone () _____

E-Mail Address _____

Altrusa International of _____ District _____

Please Check - Tell us about yourself. Governor ☐ Past Governor ☐ PIP ☐ First Convention ☐

Registration, Extra Meals, and Add-Ons

Registration	Fee	Remitting	Extra Meal Tickets	Fee	Remitting
Full Registration (Through June 18, 2025)	\$450		Opening Banquet 7/23/25 <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$65	
Late Registration (June 19 - July 10, 2025)	\$500		Awards Breakfast 7/24/25	\$35	
Total Registration Payment		\$			
Choices for Full Registration Opening Banquet <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Foundation Luncheon <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Installation Banquet <input type="checkbox"/> Beef Cheek <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Dietary Restrictions: (check box if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Free <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain:			Foundation Luncheon 7/25/25 <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$49	
			Installation Banquet 7/26/25 <input type="checkbox"/> Beef Cheek <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$80	
			Guest Dietary Restrictions: (check box if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Free <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain: Guest Name(s):		
			Total Extra Meal Ticket(s) \$		
Optional Event - Rocking the Tartan Poutine Station and cash bar (this event will be held in the hotel)	\$21	\$			
Convention Charm Qty ____ x	\$15	\$			
			TOTAL PAYMENT		\$

Payment Information (All payments must be made in US funds.)

Full payment must accompany your Registration Form. Make all checks payable to Altrusa International, Inc. If you wish to pay with credit card or an e-check please register online at <https://altrusainternational.regfox.com/altrusa-international-inc-2025-convention>. A cash refund will be made if a written notice of cancellation is received at the International Office by June 18, 2025. No Refunds will be made after June 18, 2025. Consider protecting your trip investment with travel insurance.

Send completed Registration Form (one per person) to:

- **Altrusa International, Inc., 1400 E Touhy Ave, Suite 410, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018** •
- Phone: 312-427-4410 • e-mail: altrusa@altrusa.org •