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Fall 2023 Newsletter



Meet Altru Alliance Board Member: Tori Johnson

Meet Tori Johnson, one of our Altru Alliance board members and secretary, a true Grand Forks native with a heart dedicated to service and education. Born and raised right here in Grand Forks, she was born at Deaconess Hospital, a historical landmark still standing proudly downtown!

Her educational journey took her from Grand Forks Public Schools to the hallowed halls of the University of North Dakota and the University of Northern Colorado, where she achieved an impressive triple major in Elementary and Special Education, along with Blindness and Visual Impairment. As if that weren't enough, she also added a minor in Norwegian.

Her passion for education led her to a fulfilling

career. After teaching in Colorado Springs, she returned home to Grand Forks, dedicating 30 years to Grand Forks Public Schools, where she served as a special education teacher, coordinator, and eventually as the Director of Special Education before retiring in June 2013.

In Tori's personal life, she is happily married to her husband Mike, with three children and eight beloved grandchildren. Family, friends, travel, exercise, and the great outdoors occupy her and Mikes leisure time, and she has a particular fondness for gardening.

Tori's involvement with Altru Alliance began in 2016 when a board member and friend invited her to join. Being part of the Altru Alliance has been an educational journey of its own, deepening her respect for Altru, the Altru Health System, and all the dedicated employees who make it a reality.

She is eagerly anticipating the arrival of the new hospital, seeing it as a tremendous asset to our community and a priceless gift to those in need of top-notch, compassionate healthcare. Her admiration extends to the leadership team's unwavering commitment to respect, compassion, and excellence for both patients and staff. She has had numerous positive interactions with Altru staff and has personally witnessed these values in action.

Altru Alliance is fortunate to have Tori apart of the Altru Alliance, and her contributions to our mission are immeasurable. We look forward to the continued positive impact she will undoubtedly make in the years to come.





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Altru Alliance Annual Meeting

The Altru Alliance held their annual meeting at the Eagles Crest Oct. 5th. Mike Morley took on the role of the evening's host, introducing Cory Geffre, the Chief Nursing Officer, as our featured speaker. We also heard from Brittany Caillier, Manager of Philanthropy and Meg Morley current Altru Alliance board President. Additionally, we had the privilege of hearing from Becky Broadwell of the Grand Forks Senior Center and Gina Sanders of Altru NICU, who shared insights about the grants they had received from the Altru Alliance.

Thank you to those that were able to attend!



Be an Altru Alliance Supporter!

What is the Altru Alliance? It is a long-standing organization that has, over the years, provided substantial financial support to Altru Health System. Through the Altru Alliance Gift Shop and other fund-raisers the Alliance provides money for programs and supplies that benefit patients and families and community non-profits.

What is the Altru Alliance Purpose?

Provide a link between Altru Health System and the communities it serves. Provide services and items of comfort and convenience for patients and their families. Provide funds to support the activities of Altru Health System.

What are the Opportunities for

Supporters? Assist as a volunteer at Altru Health System in the gift shop or at a fundraising event. Join an Altru Alliance Committee: Ways & Means, Membership, Program/Social, Public Relations or Gift Shop. Or serve on the Altru Alliance Board of Directors.

Scan the QR code below to donate today!









Altru Alliance Gift Shop

The Altru Alliance Gift Shop is ready for fall and stocked with lots of new items including hats, purses, fall décor and more!

Stop by the gift shop located in the lobby of the hospital to check out the new items.

A selection of products including flowers, balloons, chocolate candy and stuffed animals are <u>available for online orders</u> and delivery to patient rooms.

Place an order online here » http://altru.org/.../guest.../altru-alliance-gift-shop/

Delivery from the gift shop is free! Add some cheer and send a loved one something special today! Watch for information about our holiday open house!

Redeem this coupon for

20% off

any one regularly priced item at the Altru Alliance Gift Shop

Excludes: balloons, books, cards, candy, flowers and postage stamps.

Upcoming Events

Altru Alliance Board Meetings

Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11

Nutman Sale

Altru Main Campus
October 23 | 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

October 24 | 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Altru South Campus

October 25 | 8 a.m..-2 p.m.

Special Sale Events in Conjunction with the Altru Alliance Gift Shop:

Wednesday, October 25 – Real Good Cookies

Special Fall and Halloween Flavors

Wednesday, November 15 – Nothing Bundt Cake Sale

December TBD – Barktastic Treats For Dogs

Keep an eye out for upcoming announcements regarding pre-order opportunities at our Gift Shop events, ensuring you can secure both your beloved classics and exciting new additions.

Stay tuned for additional Altru Alliance special fundraising events, in collaboration with the Gift Shop and a selection of your cherished local vendors, in celebration

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