

The Compass Rose



The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter

January 2013

Upcoming Events

- 12/27 deadline for luncheon reservations
- 12/28 deadline for luncheon cancellations
- 1/5 Wine Tasting 5:00 pm
- 1/8 luncheon 11:00 am
- 1/14 Scrappin' & Craftin' 10:00 am
- 1/17 Board Meeting
- 1/17 Night Owls 7:00 pm
- 1/18 Culinary Corner 10:30 am
- 1/21 Quilt & Stitch 6:00 pm
- 1/22 Daytime Books 11:30 am
- 1/27 Theatre Goers 2:00 pm

JANUARY LUNCHEON

This month's luncheon will be on January 8th at the

**Ramada Inn
at the Spokane Airport
8909 West Airport Drive**

Check in at 11:00
Lunch at Noon
Bingo to Follow

Cost is \$17.00

Menu:

Garden Salad
Home Style Meatloaf
w/Pasta Primavera
Tiger Cake (White and Dark Chocolate)
Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea, Soda or Milk

Alternative Vegetarian Option:

Lentil Soup
Mediterranean Wrap
w/Hummas, Diced Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Sprouts, Feta Cheese

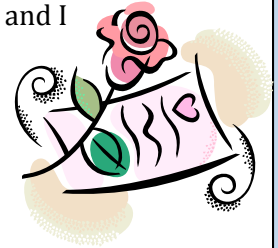
(FOR THOSE WHO WANT THE VEGETARIAN LUNCH, YOU **MUST** CALL OR E-MAIL NANCY MACKENZIE TO LET HER KNOW.)

Program: BINGO!

*Reservations must be called in to your caller, emailed to compassres@gmail.com, or phoned to **Sheryl Krauser at 455-7789**, by the Thursday before the luncheon. Cancellations must be made by noon on the Friday before the luncheon..*

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

It's nearly the middle of December and there's NO snow! That's very surprising for the Inland Northwest. I can hear either cheers of victory or the agony of defeat emanating from Spokaneites nearly every day. I remember when Larry and I were stationed in southern California and we were putting up Christmas lights on the house in shorts and sandals. There's just something wrong with that in my book.



A huge, warm **Thank You** to our Vice Presidents for our fabulous December luncheon! Savory provided a delectable buffet for us (I want their cumin honey dressing recipe!) and the Children's Theatre participants were truly a treat. Afterward, a tour of our magnificent cathedral afterward topped off a wonderful day. Your Vice Presidents are working extra hard for you this year so give them your thanks for their efforts when you see them next.

I also want to thank those of you who have contributed to my President's Project of small stuffed toys for children in crisis. I will continue to collect them until the end of this year. Keep 'em coming!

To address the dilemma of keeping our contact information as private as possible in the newsletter but still be

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able to contact our new members, the board has decided to publish new members contact info just once in the newsletter. If you missed the publication, contact Sue Harris.

Since the recession of 2008, we have had difficulty keeping costs down for our members. We have subsidized lunches over \$18, tried to find locations that do not charge a room fee, etc. For next year, 2013, the board has proposed changing the membership dues in our by-laws Article III, Section C, #1. to read "Annual dues shall be \$20.00. Senior citizens annual dues of \$15.00....." as well as eliminating the provision under Article III, Section C, # 5. Discussion will be commenced at our February meeting.

At our January get-together we'll be playing Bingo at the Ramada!! See you there!

Cheerio - Vicki

"Do what you feel in your heart to be right- for you'll be criticized anyway. You'll be damned if you do, and damned if you don't."

Eleanor Roosevelt

COUPLES' GOURMET

The next couples' gourmet mixer will be held on Sunday, February 17, 2013, 5:00 p.m. at the home of Larry & Sheryl Krauser. This will be a soup and salad bar venue. Soup along with coffee and cookies for dessert will be provided. Everyone attending is asked to bring a salad dish and beverage of your choice.

For those who may not know, the purpose of this interest group is to offer members an opportunity to meet and socialize in more of an intimate setting with other couples over dinners. It's through these couples' dinners that we meet new members to get better acquainted and continue long-standing friendships. In the spirit of the "compass", groups are made up of members from all parts of the city. All participants are drawn randomly at the mixer then divided into groups of four couples.



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NIGHT OWLS

Night Owls meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month, at 7:00 p.m.

December 20: Assorted Christmas Readings and Dinner
Hostess: Linda Milsow

January 17: "Three Men in a Boat" by Jerome K. Jerome
Hostess: Valerie McIlroy

February 21: "The Finkler Question" by Howard Jacobson
Hostess: Jo Ann Perry

March 21: "The Old Devils" by Kingsley Amis
Hostess: Ginny Langpap



April 18: "Trouble" by J. G. Farrell
Hostess: Morgan Smith

May 16: "Wolf Hall" by Hilary Mantel
Hostess: Ann Lively

June 20: "Life of Pi" by Yann Martel
Dinner and Planning Meeting
Hostess: Myrna Brandmueller

SCRAPPIN' & CRAFTIN'

Scrappin' & Craftin' will meet the second Monday of each month at Deb Mallion's house. Our next meeting is scheduled for Jan 14th, 2013. Please call to reserve a spot. We meet from 10:00-3:00 and have a potluck lunch.

There is a \$5 table fee. Please bring a basic tool kit to include: your favorite adhesive, paper cutter, bone folder, scissors for detail work, and ruler. I will provide the design and supplies for us work on each month, ideas welcome. We also welcome guest instructors to teach new techniques in card-making.

Please bring your projects to share. For your planning purposes, we will NOT meet in February but will resume in March 2013. RSVP with Deb Mallion 993-2975 so I know how many to prepare for.

Currently this interest group is full and not accepting new members.

Compass Club Board Members & Interest Group Chairs 2012-2013

Position/Group	Name	Position/Group	Name
President	Vicki Deschaine	Gardening	Morgan Smith and Sue Harris
1st Vice President	Ro Lisk & Linda Milsow	BYOB	Vicki Deschaine and Sonia Bertsch
2nd Vice President	Nancy MacKenzie & Sonia Bertsch	Daytime Books	Becky Dahlager
Recording Secretary	Carol Hannah	Night Owls	Nancy Young
Corresponding Secretary	Christa McQueen	Couples Gourmet	Kathleen Morford
Treasurer	Shari Russell	Quilt & Stitch	Sue Harris
Advisor	Joy Kemp	Wine Tasting	Karen Eckel and Sue Harris
Membership	Sue Harris	Culinary Corner	Joy Kemp and Vicki Deschaine
Bulk Mail	Sue Harris	Happy Feet Hikers	Nancy Hughes
Decorations	Hildy Cox	Theatre Goers	Mary Scarpelli
Historian		Books & Coffee	Tudi Pitman and Nan Colburn
Newsletter	Kathy Piper & Nancy Mackenzie	Bunco	Sandy Krepps
Philanthropy	Dianna Atchley		
Publicity	Sharon White & Georgia Irby		
Phone Committee	Sheryl Krauser		
Ways & Means	Sue Mantifel & Mimi Anderson		
Member-at-Large	Morgan Smith		
Webmaster	Kathy Piper		

Please refer to your printed directory for contact information.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

2-Jan	Winnie Therssen	20-Jan	Gretchen Mohr
3-Jan	Birgitta Landreth	21-Jan	Shari Russell
5-Jan	Janice Rogers	24-Jan	Mary Scarpelli
17-Jan	Penny Jones	27-Jan	Laurie Byrd
19-Jan	Marlys Hartley		



CULINARY CORNER

At our November turkey brining session we decided to set the **3rd Friday of each month at 10:30am** as our standing cooking session; however, we will not meet in December. We also scheduled the first 5 sessions for 2013, as follows:

January 18 –
Sushi @ Wasabi
Bistro on Division St.



February 15 –
Reuben Sandwich's @ Anne Slau-
son's home

March 15 – Chocolate candy making
@ Ebba Ostrom's home

April 19 – Thai Stir Fry @ Sonia
Bertsch's home with Winnie
Therssen providing knife cutting
advise

May 17 – Sauces & Spices @ Vicki
Deschaine's home

The folks who graciously agree to
host a session at their homes
should keep track of their expenses,
so that the attendees can contribute
to the expenses.

If you have a specialty in the kitch-
en and would like to share your ex-
pertise with others, please let us
know. We welcome new tech-
niques and strategies for expanding
and refining our culinary skills.

Happy Cooking,

Joy Kemp & Vicki Deschaine



WINE TASTING

The fourth session of the sixth wine
tasting season will be held on **Sat-
urday, January 5th, 2013** at The
Fairwinds Northpointe Retirement
Community, **520 East Holland**.
Their telephone number is 468-
1000.

This event will start promptly at
5:00 PM and end at **6:30
PM**. The fee for tasters
will be \$10 per person,
and guests are welcome.
We hope to see you there.



Cheers !!!

**Karen and Kit Eckel
Sue and Dan Harris**

PHILANTHROPY

Ladies, our raffle sales are well on
their way. I want to thank all of
you gracious women who bought
tickets at our November lunch for
the Ronald McDonald House. We
have many great items to be raf-
fled off in June. I am still working
on acquiring new raffle items. So,
please bring extra dollars, for the
children and families.

Hope to see you there.

Thank you ,
Dianna Atchley
Philanthropy Chair





MEETING MINUTES

Luncheon Meeting Minutes

Date: December 4, 2012

Place: St. John's Cathedral

President Vicki Deschaine opened the luncheon meeting at 11:45am with a welcome to all Compass Club members and our 1 guest.

Minutes from last meeting were approved with 2 corrections. The start time of the meeting from 12:50 pm to 11:50 am and the jewelry sale money is to go to the club ways and means fund and not Philanthropy.



Announcements:

Vicki sent out congratulations to April for her engagement.

The board made a decision that a new member's address and phone number would be published 1 time in the newsletter.

Donations of stuffed animals for the president's project are being accepted at each meeting. Vicki thanked those members who have donated to date.

We now have a Face book site for Compass Club thanks to Morgan. Special interest groups please send in info and pictures to Morgan to add to the site and if you are on Face book you can add to the site.

Interest groups:

BYOB group announced that Jan. 26th would be at Ro's and Feb. would be at Sue H.

Quilting group would meet at Ann's home on 17 Dec at 6:00pm.

New Business: Vicki D. announced that the board has recommended a

small increase to our dues. The proposal is for an increase to \$15.00 for seniors and \$20.00 for all other members per year. The newsletter will run the proposal for January and February and then the membership will vote on the proposal at the February luncheon.

There is also a proposal to the By-Laws that only Charter member Presidents would continue to not pay dues. This will also be voted on at the February luncheon.

Telephone chair Sheryl K. reminded members that she does not check the reservation web site until 2 weeks before the luncheon so please do not get concerned as she does respond to all e-mails. She also stated that you only have to call or e-mail if you are attending the luncheon. Only the board members have to inform her if they are not attending.

Table decoration draw was done by Hildy and the 50/50 draw for \$52.00 was done.

Meeting officially adjourned at 12:10 pm.

The group enjoyed a delicious lunch. The silent auction winners were announced.

The club enjoyed an informational and entertainment program by Judy Bender from The Spokane Children's Theater.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Hannah

WAYS & MEANS

BINGO - BINGO - BINGO! Get ready to shout out when you win and pick an envelope that contains your winnings! We will be giving away \$500 in prizes again this year.

Bingo sheets will be sold in packets of ten for \$5, or \$12 for three packets. Each sheet contains two "cards", so every time you play a game, you have two chances to win.

We will play ten games which will take approximately one hour. Our last game is the stand-up game, where everyone stands up and then has to sit down when they get a number called on their card. The last one standing is the winner of the big prize. This is a fun event for all of our members, and a great day to invite a guest.

See you there!
Mimi, Ellen and Sue



THEATRE GOERS

The theater group had a great time at "White Christmas" & Europa afterwards for dinner. Our next civic play will be "Escanaba in Love". The tentative date is Sunday January 27th @ 2 P.M.



FACEBOOK

We are in the process of developing a vibrant presence on Facebook. If you haven't already, please check it out. You do NOT need a Facebook account to look at the Compass Club FB page. When you decide you are ready to add comments, photos, upcoming events, and we hope all members will feel free to do this, then...you **will** need to sign up for a Facebook account. It's easy, quick, and you need not offer any personal information other than a name (you can use whatever you wish) and an email address (additional email accounts are free and easy to set up on gMail, etc.)

There is a link on the Compass Club web page <http://www.spokanecompassclub.org/> which will take you directly to the Compass Club Facebook page.

Or doing a Google search on "Spokane Compass Club Facebook"

which will take you to our Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Spokane-Compass-Club/147343598683508>

The advantage of the FB page is that it is interactive and updated constantly by members adding updates, photos, recipes, links to interesting things to be found in our community.

We hope you will check the Compass Club FB page regularly and become comfortable with contributing to make it an even better source of information on what is going on within the Club.

If you have questions, please call or email me.

Morgan Smith

COUPLES' GOURMET

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Hostesses are encouraged to prepare an appetizing dinner not necessarily "gourmet". We have very few rules, except to do your meal and to attend the other 3 dinners, to the best of your ability. Joining a group is a commitment to attend all the dinners and sometimes it takes some creativity to schedule all the meals into the allotted time period, but the friendships you make within the group are worth the extra effort.

Please R.S.V.P. to Sheryl Krauser.

"Food is our common ground, a universal experience"

James A. Beard

Gourmet needs an interest group chair for 2013.

Kathleen Morford

BOOKS & COFFEE

We meet on the second Thursday of each month - 10 AM

January: No book scheduled

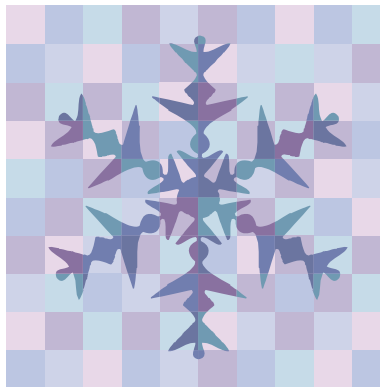
February: America's Queen (Jackie Kennedy/Onasis) by: Sarah Bradford

Hostess: Becky Dahlager

March: When I Fell From The Sky by Juliane Koepcke

Hostess: Eleanor Weston

Tudi Pitman



*Remember to
start saving
items for the
auction !*

QUILT & STITCH

We will be meeting at Sue Harris's house on January 21st at 6pm.

DAYTIME BOOKS

We meet at 11:30 AM for discussion and lunch. The hostess provides the greens, bread/rolls, and drinks. Everyone brings something for the salad bar.

December 18th, 2012
Christmas Luncheon

January 22, 2013
Book: **Cutting for Stone**
Author: Abraham Verghese
Hostess: Sheryl Krauser
Dessert: Christine Welch

February 26, 2013
Book: **Nothing to Envy**
Author: Barbara Demick
Hostess: Linda Milsow
Dessert: Connie Branch

March 26, 2013
Book: **Madame Tussaud**
Author: Michelle Moran
Hostess: Birgitte Landreth
Dessert Katie Adams

April 23, 2013
Book: **Caleb's Crossing**
Author: Geraldine Brooks
Hostess: Connie Branch
Dessert: Sally Geyer

May 28, 2013
Book: **Still Alice**
Author: Lisa Genova
Hostess: Sally Geyer
Dessert: Sheryl Krauser

June 25, 2013
Choose books for next year
Hostess: Barbara Birch
Dessert: Rebecca Ker

**Becky
Dahlager**



The **Auction** will be in April but if you want to bring items in now, you can bring them to the luncheons and give them to Mimi Anderson.

We're on the web!

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JANUARY 2013

Compass Club Monthly Planner

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 <i>New Years Day</i>	2	3	4	5 <i>Wine Tasting 5:00 pm</i>
6	7	8 <i>Luncheon 11:00 am</i>	9	10	11	12
13	14 <i>Scrappin & Craftin 10:00 am</i>	15	16	17 <i>Board Meeting Night Owls 7 pm</i>	18 <i>Cuilnary Corner 10:30 am</i>	19
20	21 <i>Quilt & Stitch 6:00 pm</i>	22 <i>Daytime Books 11:30 am</i>	23	24	25	26
27 <i>Theatre Goers 2:00 pm</i>	28	29	30	31		