

# The Compass Rose

The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter

January, 2021

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## Luncheon News

### January Luncheon

The restrictions on dining out are as unpredictable as the weather this time of year! So **the January luncheon has been canceled.** Thank you for your understanding!



The December Box Lunch delivery of 60 lunches went very well. Everyone seemed so appreciative! And the Board had a good time doing it!!!! Here are some comments:

*"Thank you all for the lovely box lunch from Christ Kitchen. Love to support them"*

*"Such a thoughtful gift from the Compass Club Board"*

*"Thanks for the delicious lunch"*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!**

**Dona Farsdahl**  
Vice President

## President's Corner

### Happy New Year!

As we welcome 2021, let us be thankful that we are here to greet it! And glad that we can bid 2020 "adieu". From our vantage point today, it seems that even though vaccines are on the way, "normalcy" won't return before late spring/early summer. In the meantime, let us strive to be as careful and safe as possible and stay healthy. If any of our Club events become possible in the upcoming months, we will let you know – be on the lookout for emails. Also, thank you for your generous donations to our philanthropy, Free Rein. Don't forget to mail a check to Treasurer Pat Par-tovi each month for your chance to be in our end-of-year drawings.

**Maureen Boutz**  
President



## Interest Groups

Old man winter is certainly nipping the hills of Indian summer and shooing her out the door. With many of our interest group members headed to warmer climes, sometimes one needs to think outside the box!

With the abundant fall harvest ready to be put to bed I've formed an interest group of three ~ me, myself & I ~ doing some canning of my vegetable garden bounty. Supervisors include my 2 puppy dogs Joyful Noise and Beauregard who observe from the sunroom sofa.

Some of our groups continue to get together and others report on their hope that after the first of the year restrictions will ease a bit. Stay safe, stay warm and stay healthy!

**Shari Russell**

Interest Group Chair

## Good News!

Do you miss those "good old days" when we had door prizes where we drew names for the table centerpieces? Well, we hope those days will be back soon, but in the meantime, we have Good News for you! As your table decorations chair, I will be drawing names monthly for a lovely prize. This is a random draw and you can only win once. The winners of the **December** drawing were: **Mimi Anderson, Irene Hernandez, Carol Isakson, Julia Marvel, Jan Monaco, Connie Smith, Cheri Susens, Sharon White, Imelda Williams and Dona Farsdahl !**

It's so nice to have something to look forward to in these dreary times! Missing you all and hope to see you soon.

**Kathie Heim**

Decorations Chair

## Auction

**PLEASE NOTE: The November 3 Auction has been postponed until Spring 2021**

In anticipation of a Spring Auction, donated items are welcome. These include a frozen dinner, cookies, a cake or home canned goods. Interest groups are invited to put together a basket or donate items from their group.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with various auction related tasks. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering. I may be contacted by telephone or via email.

Thank you and please stay healthy and safe!

**Patty Hostetter**

peanuts303@aol.com



## Theatre Goers

We are still on hiatus from attending anything in person. I will send out information when I hear news. Hang in there friends.

Civic: closed

Bing: closed

Martin Woldson at The Fox has some Virtual concerts coming up. See

**<https://foxtheaterspokane.org/events/>** for details.

**Carol Hannah**

P.S. Please let me know if you still want to be on the list or wish to be added.



## Compass Club Board Members & Interest Group Chairs 2020-2021

Board Members	Name	Interest Groups	Name
President	Maureen Boutz	Two-Bit Tours	Vicki Deschaine
Vice President	Dona Farsdahl	BYOB	Vicki Deschaine
Secretary	Mimi Anderson	Daytime Books	Becky Dahlager
Treasurer	Pat Partovi	Quilt & Stitch	Anne Slauson
Membership	Ro Lisk	Wine Tasting	Rita Van Cleve
Philanthropy	Susan Miles	Books & Coffee	Kathi Brandmueller
Fundraising	Patty Hostetter	Bridge	Ro Lisk
50/50 Bingo	Mary Scarpelli	Happy Feet Hikers	Susie Volwiler
Decorations	Kathie Heim	Compass Campers	
Newsletter	Kathy Piper	Night Owls	Ann Lively
Communications	Vicki Deschaine	Golf	Ro Lisk
Interest Groups	Shari Russell	Young & Fun Group	Shari Russell
Phone Committee	Sue Harris	Scrappin' & Craftin'	Judy Brender
Hostess	Erin Heilig	Theatre Goers	Carol Hannah
Corresponding Secy.	Kathy Cousineau		
Advisor/Past President	Ann Fly		

*Please refer to your Compass Directory for contact information.*



### BYOB

*"In the New Year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship, but never in want."*  
— Irish Toast

I sincerely hope we will be able to gather and share our stories over a lovely glass of wine at someone's warm and welcoming home soon.

**Vicki Deschaine**  
BYOB Chair

### Quilt & Stitch

The Quilt & Stitch group meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 1:00 at the Dance Hall on north Freya. We do "show and tell", discuss tips and ideas, and work on various projects. Some of these are philanthropic such as baby quilts and lap quilts. Some are specifically for Compass Club sales and auctions. Recently our group donated over twenty such quilts to Volunteers of America who sponsor homes for veterans, unwed mothers, abused women and children and more. We particularly enjoy sharing stories at our meetings.

**Anne Slauson**



# Wine Tasting

## Happy New Year!

If there was ever a year to celebrate its conclusion, I think most would agree that it would be this one. What's a better way to celebrate than with a glass of sparkling wine like Champagne? Maybe two glasses... Only sparkling wine grown and handpicked in the Champagne region of France can truly be called Champagne. Other cool regions, however, can also produce excellent sparkling wines. Other areas which produce notable sparkling wine include north-east Italy (prosecco), select regions of Spain (cava) and other regions of France (crémant).

Most sparkling wine in the U.S. comes from California, typically from grape varietals chardonnay and pinot noir, but Washington and Oregon are also known for some first-rate sparklers. One of these is from Chateau Ste. Michelle's winemaker, Paula Eakin, who just happens to be a native of Spokane.

Her **Domaine Ste. Michelle NV Brut Rosé, Columbia Valley** was rated not only "unanimously outstanding", but also a Best Buy from *Wine Press Northwest* in 2019. Also rated "unanimously outstanding" were 2 sparklers from the Willamette Valley, Oregon: **ROCO Winery 2015 RMS Brut** and **Anne Amie Vineyards 2017 Cuveé A Amrita Sparkling White Wine**. For other outstanding Northwest selections, please check out their article online.



The wine group will not meet again until restrictions permit us gathering together. So, until then, maybe on New Year's Eve we should heed the words from this respected actress...

*"There comes a time in every woman's life when the only thing that helps is a glass of Champagne." — Bette Davis*



## January Birthdays

2	Winnie Therssen	19	Joyce Frederick
3	Birgitta Landreth	20	Gretchen Mohr
10	Ruth Beck	21	Shari Russell
14	Sherry Foster	24	Mary Scarpelli
17	Patty Hostetter		



## Crafting & Scrapping

Our fun little group is still on hiatus from the coop as they are currently not able to open due to Covid restrictions. Meanwhile there are lots of things one can do in order to learn new ideas, gather supplies and receive instruction.

\* **As The Crow Flies** in Chewelah is open Wed - Sat. They have kits, beautiful quilting and project fabrics as well as items for sale. Check their website for online videos.

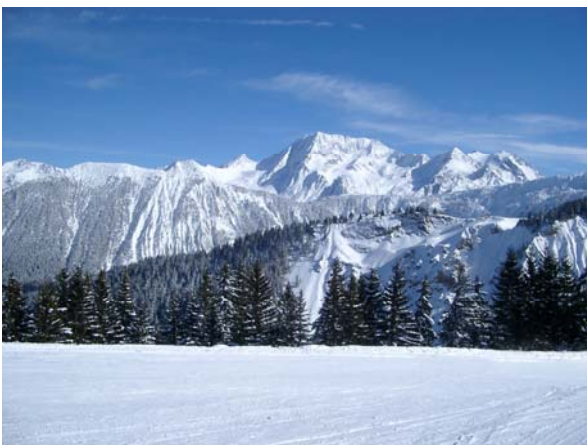
\***3 Craft Chicks** in Airway Heights Is prepping for two Christmas themed retreats to be held in Cheney at the Holiday Inn express. Meanwhile they offer shopping hours at the coop and will have times available in Cheney for shopping their extensive kits, crafts projects, scrapbook and card making supplies. Check their website.

\***Layle By Mail** continues her Saturday free travelers notebook classes via Facebook.

\* **Hallmarks** home and garden sprinkles their morning TV show with DIY projects.

Let me know if you hear of any other local or network shows that you find interesting so I can let our members know. Happy crafting!

**Judy Brender**  
Crafting & Scrapping



## Happy Feet Hikers

“The Times They Are A Changing”.

I’m sure most of you remember Bob Dylan’s song from the 1960’s. In the 60’s we were fighting quite a different enemy. But the song’s title still rings true today as we fight COVID19.

As the weather changes and becomes less tolerable outside, and we fight the virus, I would like to suggest that the Hiking/Walking Group take a break until Spring. Let’s focus on staying healthy at home and exercising in the safety of our own environments.

Hopefully in the Spring we will once again be able to enjoy the outdoors TOGETHER.

Enjoy the Holidays.....and the inevitable changes that we will incur.

**Susie Volwiler**  
Happy Feet Hikers



## Golf Group



The golf group is planning to play **Virtual Golf** on Tuesday afternoons at Esmeralda GC once they have it set up.

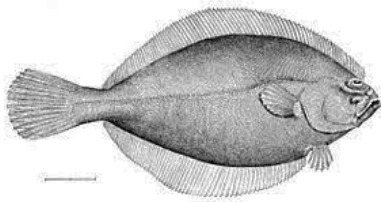
For details, contact  
**Ro Lisk**

## A Note From Ann

Did you know flatfish are born as round little fish? After one or two weeks they move to the bottom of the sea and changes happen to adapt to the sea floor. Their eyes can move from one side to the other making them look cross-eyed,. They can camouflage themselves by imitating the color of the sea floor. The Atlantic halibut is the worlds largest flatfish. One third of all fish in the North Sea are flatfish.

My personal favorite is the Plaice.

Wishing you all a much better year in 2021',  
**Ann Fly**



## Directory Update

**Andrea Truman's** email address as stated in last month's newsletter was incorrect. Her email should be **Auntcandy73@gmail.com**



## Philanthropy

Buy your tickets **now** for the **January** Philanthropy drawing. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be one of the 10 lucky ladies eligible to be in the drawing for the grand prize at the end of the season, which is a luncheon for the winner and three of her Compass Club friends at a restaurant of her choice. This is a wonderful opportunity considering we have not been able to meet for our monthly luncheons due to Covid. The drawing for December took place on Wednesday, December 2nd.

We raised **\$375** in December for a total of **\$1,060**. Congratulations to **Tricia Sims** who was our December winner. I will be drawing one name each month until the end of the season. Of these ten monthly drawings, one will win the **grand prize**.

But wait – there's more! If you are not one of the lucky 10 eligible to enter to win the Grand Prize, don't worry. I am saving ALL of your tickets, and we will have more drawings from them for more prizes at the end of the season.



So be sure to purchase your tickets now so that you will not miss out on any of the wonderful prizes we have in store for you. Tickets are \$5 for 6 tickets, \$10 for 12 tickets, etc. Send your donation/check (and be sure to mention that it is for Philanthropy) to our treasurer, Pat Par-tovi (see your Directory for Pat's address).

And don't worry if your check arrives too late to be in the **January** drawing. Any late arrivals will go into the next month's drawing.

Thank you all for your generous contributions to Free Rein. You are going to make them very happy.

Good luck everyone!

**Susan Miles**  
Philanthropy Chair

## Night Owls

Here is the schedule for the Night Owl's book group for the 2020-2021 season.

1/21 **The Splendid and the Vile**  
by Erik Larson  
Hostess: Imelda Williams

2/18 **The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek** by Kim Michele Richardson  
Hostess: Linda Milsow

3/18 **The Secrets We Kept**  
by Lara Prescott  
Hostess: Joanne Moyer

4/15 **A Woman of No Importance**  
by Sonia Purnell  
Hostess: JoAnne Perry

5/20 **A Long Petal of the Sea**  
by Isabel Allende  
Hostess: Ginny Langpap

6/17 next year's book selection dinner  
Hostess: Anne Lauderbaugh

**Ann Lively,**  
Night Owls chair



## Daytime Books

Jan 26 **Splendid and the Vile,**  
by Erik Larson

Feb 23 **Marriage of Opposites,**  
by Alice Hoffman

Mar 23 **Night Tiger,**  
by Yangzee Choo

Apr 27 **Guest Book,**  
by Sarah Blake

May 25 **Cold Millions,**  
by Jess Walter

Jun 29 Choose new books

**Becky Dahlager,**  
Daytime Books chair



## Books and Coffee

We will be meeting on Zoom until future notice. Our book selection for the next 6 months is as follows:

1/14/2021 **Big Lies in a Small Town**  
by Diane Chamberlain

2/11/2021 **Roots of the Olive Tree**  
by Courtney Miller Santos

3/11/2021 **Painted House**  
by John Grisham

4/8/2021 **Dear Edward**  
by Ann Napolitano

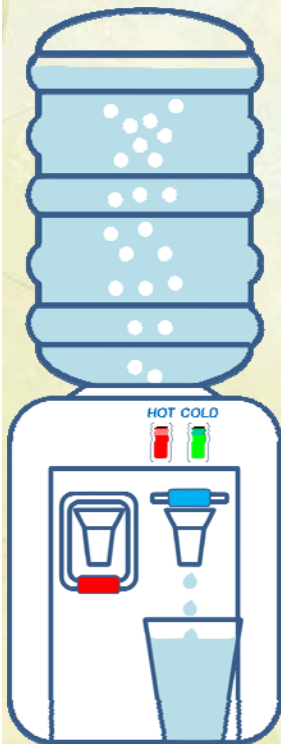
5/13/2021 **Keeper of Lost Things**  
by Ruth Hogan

6/10/2021 **Educated**  
by Tara Westover

**Kathi Brandmueller**  
Books and Coffee chair



## The “WaterCooler”



When we meet for lunches what does everyone do? Catch up with each other and say "Hi ~ how are you. What'cha been doing?"! But since we cannot meet in person as a Club for the foreseeable future and not everyone is hooked on Facebook, we're asking for submissions from the membership for our newsletter. Maybe an important event happened in your lives you would like to share. A new grandbaby? Reached a milestone? Having knee surgery? (Uh-oh) Going someplace on your bucket list? Just a couple of upbeat, inspiring or informative sentences to add some spice to our newsletter for everyone to read. Mix things up a bit by sharing all kinds of Club happenings AND your "news". Send them to me, **Vicki Deschaine**, and we'll put a few in the newsletter each month under "The WaterCooler". Here's one:

**Vicki Deschaine**

So...what 'cha been doin'? Besides staying at home and waiting for this year to be over (along with the COVID, of course). What's good on Netflix or Prime or whatever you've been excited about watching? Or reading? Here's some favorites of mine: *The Crown* (Netflix), *The Queen's Gambit* (also Netflix), *The Office* (an oldie, but goodie, also Netflix). As for books: **American Dirt** and **This Tender Land** will

keep you up reading all night because they're so hard to put down! Share your faves with us in the newsletter.

**Kathy Piper**



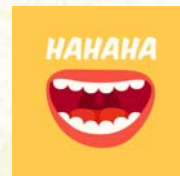
### Some Quotable Quotes to share:

*Half of middle age is spent wondering if you locked the door or turned off the oven.*

*This just in: thief who stole a calendar got twelve months .*

*When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.*

**SEND IN YOURS...NO PUN IS TOO CORNY!**



## Keeping in Touch

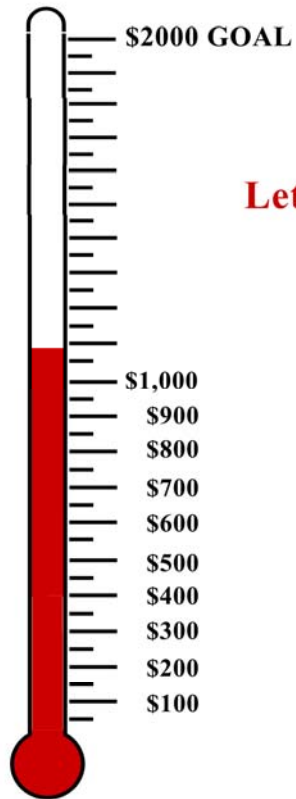
These are challenging times, as we all know, and reaching out to friends, neighbors, etc. to let them know you're there for them can be very reassuring. If you know members who may be having a difficult time because of illness, surgery or loss of loved ones and would appreciate receiving a card, please send me an email.

A sympathy card was sent to Marti Lee who lost her mother in November and a get-well card was sent to Carol Hannah in December. **Kathy Cousineau**, Corresponding Secretary



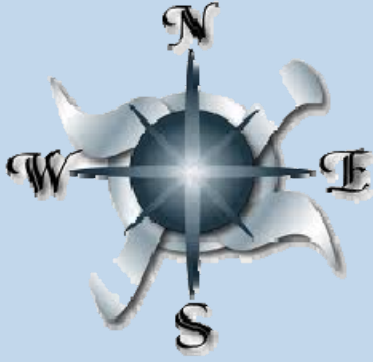
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# DECEMBER 2020

## *Compass Club Monthly Planner*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 	26
27	28	29	30	31		