

The Compass Rose

The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter

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Luncheon News

February Luncheon

I'm looking forward to planning luncheons in 2021! As I've said before, the decision to hold an in-person luncheon is determined on a month by month basis. So as you may have guessed, **the February luncheon has been canceled.** I continue to monitor the situation and restrictions we need to work within. I'll schedule a luncheon as soon as is possible!!

Until then, the Board will continue to look for "out of the box" ideas, such as the box lunch delivery in December. And events such as the Chico's Zoom Style Show. If you have any other ideas, please contact me at dfarsdahl@comcast.net.

Stay healthy!

Dona Farsdahl
Vice President



"One of these days..."

President's Corner

Greetings! We're about halfway through January already and heading into February, the month to celebrate love. Here are a few fun facts about Valentine's Day:

1. February 14th is the second largest card giving day of the year, just after Christmas. An estimated 145 million Valentine's Day cards are sent each year. Teachers receive the most Valentine's Day cards, followed by children, mothers, wives and pets. Americans probably began exchanging hand-made valentines in the early 1700s. In the 1840s, Esther A. Howland began selling the first mass-produced valentines in America.
2. Every year, more than 36 million heart-shaped boxes of chocolates are sold across the country.
3. Most roses sold on Valentine's Day in the U.S. are imported from South America, mainly Ecuador. Roses grow perfectly straight only near the equator where the sun shines perpendicular to the plant. The high altitude, closeness to the Equator

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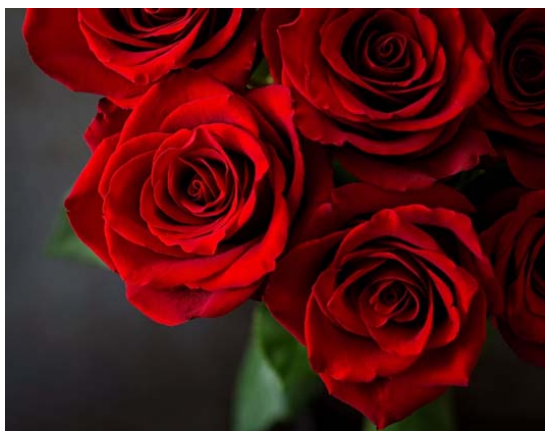
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(year-round sunshine), and nutrient-rich soil help to grow beautiful flowers.

Stay safe and healthy!

Maureen Boutz

President



Here are some roses from me to you!
Happy Valentine's Day!

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 **January** drawing were: **Ruth Beck, Sonia Bertsch, Dale Boercker, Sylvia Bumgarner, Joyce Colclough, Patty Hostetter, Marti Lee, Gretchen Mohr, Kathy Piper and Winnie Therssen.**

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

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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
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Philanthropy	Susan Miles	Books & Coffee	Kathi Brandmueller
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Newsletter	Kathy Piper	Night Owls	Ann Lively
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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.

Happy Valentine's Day!

BYOB

"The woman who follows the crowd will usually go no further than the crowd. The woman who walks alone is likely to find herself in places no one has ever been before." — Albert Einstein

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

Who doesn't like chocolate? And if you're in the wine group, I already know that you love wine. Do you ever enjoy them together? If not, there is no better time than Valentine's Day to pair them together. Really, any day is a good day to combine the two! I checked out simplychocolate.com and Eatly.com for some pointers on selecting chocolate to go with your favorite wine.

If you enjoy sweeter chocolate, select a sweeter wine. An example is to pair white chocolate with a white like Riesling or Moscato d'Asti or a sweet Rosé. Intensity matters, too. A lightly flavored chocolate should be enjoyed with lighter wines and more intense chocolates with full-bodied wines. Dark chocolates that are 50 to 100% cacao have intense

flavors which should be savored with full-bodied, yet fruit-forward wines such as Zinfandel, Shiraz, Merlot, Grenache and vintage Port. Milk chocolate is the easiest to pair and can accompany a light to medium-bodied wine like a Pinot Noir, Petite Sirah or Sherry. Personal taste is always the deciding factor where food and wine are concerned. Why not experiment and decide for yourself what works?



Until we can gather together again, "Wine a little, laugh a lot."

Rita Van Cleve
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*It's Coming...
...Roll Up Your Sleeve!*

February Birthdays

4	Nancy Young	18	Eloise Migdow
8	Connie Branch	22	Julia Marvel
11	Darlene Gaffney		



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 offers 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



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

The headlines read: Swedes outgrown as world's tallest people. Forget the myth about tall blond, modern Vikings. The Dutch men have taken over the title. The last time I flew with KLM I noticed a change at the airport, I know I have gotten shorter by an inch or so, but here in the Netherlands I felt short for the first time in my adult life.

I wish you all a happy chocolate/flower Valentine.

Ann



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

Philanthropy

Buy your tickets **now** for the **February** 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.

We raised \$675 in **January** for a current total of \$1,735. Congratulations to **Dona Farsdahl** who was our **January** 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**.

Remember—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 **February** 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.

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

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 meet on Feb 11 on Zoom.

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

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

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

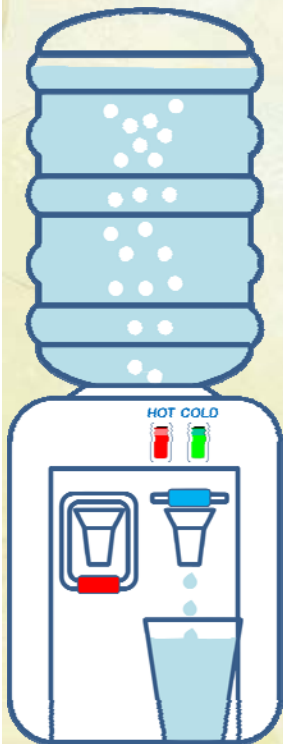
5/13/2021 **Keeper of Lost Things**
by Ruth Hogan

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

Kathi Brandmueller
Books and Coffee chair



The “WaterCooler”



No news is...BAD news! C'mon, Ladies. Let's submit some stories. Let us know how you're doing in these strange times. How are you coping?

What are you making, sewing, quilting, writing, painting, reading, cooking, baking, bingeing, building, inventing, creating, planning, praying for...let me know!

Vicki Deschaine



Caring Corner

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.

Cards have been sent to Mary Scarpelli; her granddaughter was having surgery, and to Sylvia Bumgarner; her daughter, Shelli, has passed away.

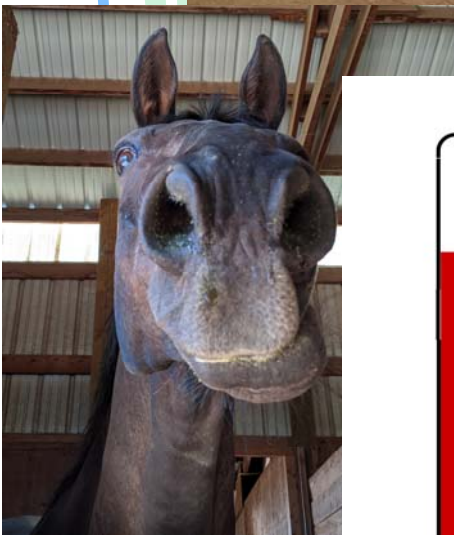
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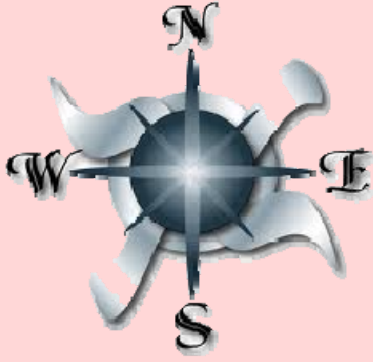
Kathy Cousineau, Corresponding Secretary

This just in: Our dear friend and long time member, Ebba Ostrom, has been diagnosed with congestive heart failure. She could really use our prayers. Please reach out to her.

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(our chosen charity for this year)





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Compass Club Monthly Planner

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