

The Compass Rose

The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter

March 2023

2/23	Scrappin & Craftin 1pm
3/1	Mahjong 1pm
3/2	Deadline for luncheon reservations
3/7	Luncheon & Auction 11 am
3/9	Books & Coffee 10 am
3/15	Mahjong 1pm
3/15	Scrappin' & Craftin' 10am
3/20	Quilt & Stitch 1pm
3/28	Daytime Books 1pm



Luncheon News

MARCH AUCTION!!!

The March luncheon will be at the Ramada Inn Airport on Tuesday, March 7, 2023. Check-in begins at 11 a.m.

The Menu is Caesar salad, Garden Quiche, Au Gratin potatoes, fresh baked blueberry muffin, fresh fruit and strawberry cake.

The no-host bar will be set up with house wine and mid-price range wines.

The cost is \$25 per person.

NOTE: The Treasurer prefers that you pay by check for the luncheons.

Deadline for reservations is Thursday, March 2 at Noon. Email or call Sheryl Krauser, skrauser@comcast.net, (509) 435-2535

Sandy Colquhoun
Kathy Cousineau
Vice Presidents



President's Corner

The snow is melting (as I write this), spring is around the corner and that means it's time for the annual Compass Club auction. This is our most important fund raiser so I hope you will all come to support this wonderful club. If you are unable to attend you can always send a contribution to our treasurer Kathie Heim and be sure to mark it for the auction. We will also have a "Love Basket" out at the luncheon if you'd just like to make a donation instead of buying anything at the auction. We are encouraging everyone to bring a baked good, any kind you want, and you don't even have to price it since it will be by donation only.

I enjoyed seeing everyone at the February luncheon at Darcy's. How about those desserts? I thought they were awesome and I even took a few home for my husband. In my announcements I talked about needing 2 people to volunteer to serve on the nomination committee to come up with a slate of officers for next year. We desperately need members to step up to serve on the board and on this committee that will be charged with finding candidates to serve. I have been on the board for a number of years and have really enjoyed it. If we can't get members to serve in leadership roles we won't have a club anymore, so please contact me or any other board member to discuss board service. See you at the auction!

Pat Partovi
President

Auction

We have our first "event" for the Live Auction segment of the **March 7** auction. **Linda Milsow will host a Tea Party-Luncheon at her historic South Hill home for 4-6 guests.** This will include a tour and history of Linda's home. The minimum bid will be \$20 per person. Thank you, Linda!

Silent auction items will include gift baskets from interest groups; two artwork prints; handcrafted items and baked/homemade goods.

*NOTE: This auction **will not** include the sale of clothing, jewelry, household items, etc.*

Thank you for your support of this Compass Club fundraising event.

**Patty Hostetter,
Fundraising Chair**



Auction Preview

Following is a preview of the March 7, 2023 Auction offerings:

Silent auction

- **Tiramisu dessert** - made to order by Vicki Deschaine
- **Interest Group and individual gift baskets:** Books & Coffee; Daytime Books; Crafting & Scrapping; Quilt & Stitch; "Paris is always a good idea" basket – Tyra Demateis; Handcrafted planter and Ritter's gift card – Carol Hannah

Items priced for sale

- **Designer cards** by Carol Hannah
- **Heart themed afghan** by Debra Belair
- **Knitted and crocheted designs** by Maggie Crawford
- **Handcrafted designs** by Quilt & Stitch members

Bake sale items – Sold by donation only – Let's fill a table with delicious baked goods!

Live auction

- **Fiesta Brunch** hosted by Pat Partovi
- **Tea party, luncheon and tour of historic home** hosted by Linda Milsow
- **Windy Bay luncheon and boat tour** hosted by Sandy Colquhoun
- **Two watercolor prints – "At the Zoo" and "Old Classic"** by Janie Schnurr
- **YMCA membership for two**

Thank you for your support of this Compass Club fundraising event.

**Patty Hostetter
Fundraising Chair**

Compass Club Board Members & Interest Group Chairs 2022-2023

President	Pat Partovi	Trailblazers	Vicki Deschaine & Shari Russell
Vice Presidents	Sandy Colquhoun Kathy Cousineau	BYOB	Vicki Deschaine
Secretary	Dona Farsdahl	Daytime Books	Kathy Cousineau
Treasurer	Kathie Heim	Quilt & Stitch	Anne Slauson
Membership	Mimi Anderson	Books & Coffee	Kathi Brandmueller
Philanthropy	Kathi Brandmueller	Scrappin' & Craftin'	Shari Russell
Fundraising	Patty Hostetter	Theatre Goers	Linda Milsow
50/50 Bingo	Shirley Calkins	Bridge	Patty McCarty
Decorations	Shari Russell	Mahjong	Dona Farsdahl
Newsletter	Kathy Piper	Wine Tasting	
Interest Groups	Julia Marvel	Compass Campers	
Phone Committee	Sheryl Krauser	Happy Feet Hikers	
Hostess	Kathleen Howlett		
Corresponding Secy.	Barbara Boniface		
Advisor/Past President	Maureen Boutz		

Please refer to your Compass Directory for contact information.

March Birthdays

3	Colleen Maroney	11	Denise Mailey
4	Joyce Colclough	18	Irene Hernandez
4	Ro Lisk	19	Ebba Ostrom
6	Jan Carrington	26	Ann Fly
9	Allison Sharp	29	Diane Hunter



Scrappin' & Craftin'

Carol Hannah, a member of crafting and scrapping an interest group led a class on card making. She put together three different designs quantity two of each.

We met at her north side home where she has an amazing craft area in her downstairs. We all had a grand time... Thank you so much, **Carol**, for hosting.

February will be a 'do your own craft thing' at Shari Russell's home, Thursday, Feb 23rd ~ anytime between 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

We've a March date for MariKay Everitt, our instructor, for a paint and pour on 12 x 12 canvas. Lunch is provided and space is limited. The date is Wednesday, March 15th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The price for this event isn't final however is estimated to be between \$22-\$25 pp. please contact Shari Russell for an RSVP. Samples of our project will be sent via email blast soon.

Shari Russell
Scrappin' & Craftin' Chair



Philanthropy

I would like to thank all the Compass Club members for their generous support of **Big Table** through their participation in the raffals and their generous contributions. The raffle winners for February were **Maggie Crawford and Shirley Calkins**. Each winner received a loaf of homemade bread and a certificate for a free compass club lunch.

Remember, Big Table is an organization that gives people in the hospitality industry a hand up not a hand out. They try to identify people who need a little help to keep them from falling off the cliff and getting into a situation where they require a lot more help. For example they may help someone pay their rent for a short time because their hours were cut at work. This way the recipient can stay in their home and not have to come up with first and last month's rent as well as a security deposit for a new place. This may keep the recipient from becoming homeless and require a lot of help to become a productive member of society again. Thanks again for your generous support of a worthy charity and if you wish to make a donation to the cause but cannot attend the luncheons to participate in the raffles please consider sending a check to our treasurer **Kathie Heim**, 4776 West Lowell Ave, Spokane, WA 99208. Mark your checks in the memo line, **Big Table**.

Kathi Brandmueller,
Philanthropy Chair



Daytime Books

Daytime Books meet the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1pm for light refreshments and book discussion.

March 28
The Lamplighters
 by Emma Stonex
 Hostess: Mary Huggins

April 25
Black Cake
 by Charmaine Wilkerson
 Hostess: Linda Milsow



May 23 **Diamond Eye**
 by Kate Quinn
 Hostess: Jan Schnurr

June 27 Choose New Books
 Hostess: Pat Partovi

Kathy Cousineau
 Daytime Books Chair

Books and Coffee

The Books and Coffee group meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am. If you are not already in the group and wish to join please drop an email at kibrandmueller@gmail. The books to be discussed are attached below. Locations will be announced as they are finalized.

March 9th: **Last Bus to Wisdom**
 by Ivan Doig

April 13th: **The Last to Vanish**
 by Megan Miranda

May 11th: **The Diamond Eye**
 by Kate Quinn

June: **The Exile**
 by Christina Baker Kline

Kathi Brandmueller
 Books & Coffee Chair



The Caring Corner

Get well card sent to Hildy Cox

Sympathy cards sent to Tyra Demateis and Kathleen Howlett

Theatre Goers

This long-running group is on hiatus until next season. There are 2 plays left in this season and I haven't heard from enough members to make it feasible to reserve a number of seats under the Compass Club name. If you are interested in a group which sits together for the Civic Theater plays and then gets together for dinner afterwards (or perhaps brunch before the plays, which are traditionally on Sunday afternoons), please contact me. If I hear from enough of you, I will be happy to coordinate this group next year. Spouses are welcome. The advantage of going as a group is getting priority seating, though all the seats are pretty good. Civic Theater has a long history in Spokane and offers amazingly good local talent.



Linda Milsow
 Theatre Goers Chair
 509-220-4438



Trailblazers

We have a NEW name!

The two interest groups, **Two Bit Tours**, headed by **Vicki Deschaine** and **Young & Fun** headed by **Shari Russell** have combined.

Our new name is: **TRAIL BLAZERS!**

We already have a couple of events in the works, so stay tuned to this newsletter for details.

**Walla Walla event ~ Tuesday
~ Thursday, May 16-18, 2023.**

Ladies, this is a flexible and bring a spouse or friend or whomever event. Here are the details.:



1. Use your own transportation or carpool to Walla Walla on Tuesday.
2. there are BRVO's, bed-and-breakfast's, the historic Marcus Whitman hotel, La Quinta hotel & others as well as RV parks. Since this is a popular destination in May, I would recommend booking as soon as possible. The Tuesday and Wednesday nights are significantly cheaper than the rest of the week, which is why we chose those days.
3. There are many museums, such as the Whitman mission, historic Whitman hotel and many others; boutique shopping downtown, golf courses, lots of dining, and of course wine tasting and touring.
4. At this point, we are planning two cocktail events for each evening. It will give people the opportunity to decide if they want to attend meals or events together & of course share their day & activities.
5. If you decide to attend any of or all of those days, please let Shari Russell know in order for her to accommodate our cocktail gathering requirements.
6. Hope to see you in Walla Walla!

Ride the Rails Event

This September 13th at 12pm, the Trail Blazers will "Ride the Rails" with the Lion's Club of Lone in Boundary County. Enjoy the unique experience of an easy, 9-mile, round-trip ride on a self propelled 4-seater railroad bicycle along the beautiful, scenic Pend Oreille River in Lone, WA. First, ride north, up to the impressive Box Canyon Trestle, then south through scenic pastureland.

We will have a special group ride just for Compass Club!! Each ticket costs \$30. Here's a couple of wrinkles.....We **MUST** have a minimum of 20 seats sold for this event to happen. If we don't have enough ladies/husbands to contribute, it will be cancelled. Also, I will not purchase the tickets ahead of time and then sell to you. You can send me a check dated for sometime in August, I will then add your name to the list of attendees and then pay the Lion's Club the full amount in Sept. If there are not enough members interested, the money will be returned to you. As we always say "A reservation made, is a reservation paid". If you would like recommendations for accommodations, please contact me.

**Vicki & Shari
Trailblazers Chairs**

Happy Trails to you!



Decorations

Oh my goodness I know that I am so finished with snowman as are so many others ... So our center-pieces were brightly colored flower arrangements in vases.

Keeping with our theme of 'getting to know you' ... The winners were chosen using the game of 'what's in your purse'. Here are the winners:

Vicki Deschaine
Carole Isakson
Janie Schnur
Tyra Demateis
Sharon White
Sylvia Baumgarner
Sandy Colquhoun
Karen Synder Scott

See you next month!

Shari Russell
Decorations Chair



Mahjong

Mahjong will meet March 1st and 15th at 1:00 pm - that's the first and third Wednesdays of March. If you are interested in joining us, email Dona Farsdahl at dfarsdahl@comcast.net.



Dona Farsdahl
Mahjong Group

Quilt & Stitch

The March meeting for Quilt & Stitch will be held at **Kathie Heim's**, 4776 W. Lowell Ave from 1:00 to 3:00 on Mar. 20th. **Linda Jones** will bring a treat. We will discuss the auction results and future ideas. Bring the blocks you have made for the "Easy Strip Hourglass" quilt; tutorial on You Tube. These are due in May. Remember: all are welcome to join our group.



Anne Slauson
Quilt & Stitch Chair



Getting to Know You: The Compass Profile Corner by Kate Mietus



Kathy Piper

I was born in Chicago and have lived in Cherry Hill NJ, Gettysburg PA, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Camden NJ, Detroit MI, and Palatine IL. I've been widowed, remarried, and divorced. While in Palatine, I worked at United Airlines as a systems analyst. After my divorce, I met Jerry, who has been my rock and loving partner ever since.

Jerry and I moved to Spokane in 2004. We wanted out of the Chicago area as it was getting too crowded and very expensive. We decided to make a new life in the Inland Northwest and are so glad we did. I was able to retire from United; Jerry worked as a financial advisor.

When I lived in Palatine, I joined a local theatre group, and acted in several plays. In Spokane, photography was my hobby and Jerry's. I love to read and am addicted to TV (such a guilty pleasure).

I've won several ribbons at the Spokane Interstate Fairs for my photography. Even more than taking photos, I love post processing them in Photoshop. Although I haven't been very active in photography for the past few years, I am hoping my muse will soon kick me in the butt and inspire me to tackle it once again.

Do you have any ideas for Compass Club? I would love to have a comedian as a guest speaker some time. Laughter is so healing.



Shirley Calkins

I was born and raised in Northwest Indiana. I have two daughters and two adopted daughters. When I married John, he had 4 children, so we are a large, blended family. We currently have 19 grandchildren, their spouses, and 9 great grandchildren. When John was medically retired from the airlines, we decided to move to the Northwest to be closer to most of the family.

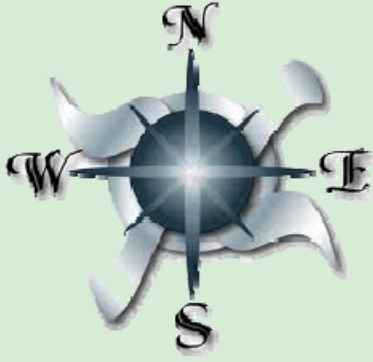
We enjoy spending time with family, traveling, and fishing with the Spokane Walleye Club. I enjoy sewing and quilting.

I was the first female police officer in Porter County Indiana. Unfortunately, I was medically retired due to a genetic medical condition that nearly killed me. I truly enjoyed Law Enforcement and keep in contact with many of my fellow officers.

I went to travel school and worked for Continental Airlines in Houston. I moved to Huntsville, Alabama to care for aging parents, and went to work for a local travel agency. Eventually I was assigned to NASA as the travel manager. While there I was approached by a start-up Airline, AirTran Airways, based in Orlando. I managed the Huntsville Station and was promoted to Manager of Stations. I was transferred to Orlando, managing 23 General Managers.

While setting up a new destination in Nashville for AirTran, I met John Calkins. We have been married 27 years. (AirTran was purchased by Southwest.) After AirTran, but before moving to Spokane, I worked at Planet Hollywood as their Travel Manager, and I retired when we moved to Spokane.

I truly enjoy all the ladies and functions of Compass Club. I look forward to many more years of great experiences and friendships.



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March 2023

Compass Club Monthly Planner

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 <i>Mahjong 1 pm</i>	2 <i>Deadline for luncheon reservations/cancellations</i>	3	4
5	6	7 Luncheon 11am Auction	8	9 <i>Books & Coffee 10am</i>	10	11
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19	20 <i>Quilt & Stitch 1pm</i>	21	22	23	24	25
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