

The Compass Rose

The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter

November 2023

11/1	Mahjong 1 pm
11/2	Luncheon reservations/ cancellations due
11/2	Crafting Class 10:30
11/7	Luncheon & BINGO 11 am
11/9	Books & Coffee 10am
11/14	Wine & Spirits 3 pm
11/15	Mahjong 1 pm
11/21	Quilt & Stitch 1 pm
11/28	Daytime Books 1pm



Luncheon News

BINGO!

The November Compass Club luncheon will be at the Ramada Inn Airport on



Tuesday, November 7, 2023. BINGO is the game with cash prizes!!! Please bring separate checks for Bingo and luncheon. *More Bingo info on page 3.*

The menu will be Old Fashion Meat-loaf, tossed salad with a choice of Italian or Ranch dressing, roasted red potatoes and gravy, fresh vegetable, French hard rolls, and chocolate mousse cake.

Check-in begins at 11 a.m. The cost is \$30 per person.

The no-host bar will be set up.

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

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

Sandy Colquhoun
Kathy Cousineau
Vice Presidents

Also note that you will be able to buy tickets for our Philanthropy, Maddie's Place. No tickets will be sold for 50/50 in November.

*Reminder to club members that we will **not** be making luncheon reminder calls this year unless you notify phone chair Sheryl Krauser and specifically ask for a call. We will send out a group email reminder the week before the luncheon.*

President's Corner

I always think of November as the month to remember my blessings and to give thanks for all that I have been given. I am thankful that I have a decent retirement and that I had a wonderful career. I'm thankful that I have a loving husband and family and good friends. I put my Compass friends in that category and if we aren't close yet, I hope we will be before long.

We have had some new and interesting activities lately and I'm thankful for that. The ride-the-rails outing was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were

able to attend and I was told that it wasn't difficult at all. I hope I can go next year if we do it again.

We had a great time at Inland Cider Mill and I was quite pleased with the turnout. We have more activities planned for the Wine and Spirits group so I hope the good turnout continues. And the craftin' and chattin' group is forging ahead with new and unique activities so keep that on your radar.

Here's wishing you all a wonderful November and I hope it brings you many things to be thankful for.

Pat Partovi
President



Wine & Spirits

Please join the Wine and Spirits group at **No Li Brewhouse** at 3:00 pm on **Tuesday, November 14**. The address is 1003 E Trent, unit 170 and we will meet in the Bier Haus. You will purchase your own drinks and any snacks you want. They have beer flights and also canned cocktails for those who aren't big fans of beer. We hope to see you there!

Mimi Anderson & Pat Partovi
Wine & Spirits Co-Chairs

Here's some pics from our October tasting event at Mimi's house with some great tasting samplers from 2 Loons Distillery and several delicious appetizers.



Fundraising

December Bake Sale

This will be my first event as the Fundraising Chair so I hope I can do as good a job as my predecessor, **Patty Hostetter**.

Our December luncheon event will include a bake sale which is a fund raiser for our club. Please don your apron and bake cookies, bread or other specialty items to donate to this event. Baked goods will be displayed on tables. **PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE** -- No need for bakers to price the goods as the purchase of the items will be by donation only. Decide what you want to pay for an item, then drop that amount of money in the Donation Basket.

Thank you for your upcoming participation to make this fundraiser a sweet success..

Carole Parfett
Fundraising Chair



Compass Club Board Members & Interest Group Chairs 2023-2024

President	Pat Partovi	Trailblazers	Vicki Deschaine & Shari Russell
Vice Presidents	Sandy Colquhoun Kathy Cousineau	BYOB	Vicki Deschaine
Secretary	Susie Volwiler	Daytime Books	Kathy Cousineau
Treasurer	Maureen Boutz	Quilt & Stitch	Anne Slauson
Membership	Mimi Anderson	Books & Coffee	Kathi Brandmueller
Philanthropy	Kathi Brandmueller	Crafting & Chatting	Shari Russell
Fundraising	Carole Parfett	Theatre Goers	Linda Milsow
50/50 Bingo	Shirley Calkins	Bridge	Patty McCarty
Decorations	Shari Russell	Mahjong	Dona Farsdahl
Newsletter	Kathy Piper	Wine & Spirits	Mimi Anderson Pat Partovi
Interest Groups	Julia Marvel		
Phone Committee	Sheryl Krauser		
Hostess	Kathleen Howlett		
Corresponding Secy.	Barbara Boniface		

Please refer to your Compass Directory for contact information.

November Birthdays

3	Kate Mietus	21	Kathi Brandmueller
9	Pat Partovi	27	Ginny Bott
16	Tyra Demateis	29	Tricia Sims
21	Sheryl Gibson		



Ladies, don't forget: our annual **BINGO** is every November. Please participate and support our great club.

We will play 7 BINGO games. Packets of cards will be : 1 packet \$5; 2 packets \$10; 3 packets \$12
Prizes will be cash varying from \$10 up to \$50, Please come and enjoy the camaraderie.

Shirley Calkins
Bingo & 50/50 Chair

Daytime Books

Daytime Books meet the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1 pm for book discussion and light refreshments. If you would like to join us, please contact me at digtherebop@hotmail.com.

Nov 28 **Lessons in Chemistry**

by Bonnie Garmus

Hostess: Tyra Demateis

December Lunch

Date and Location to be Determined

January 23 **Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow**

by Gabrielle Zevin

Hostess: Sheryl Krauser

February 27 **The Invincible Miss Cust**

by Penny Haw

Hostess: Debra Belair

March 26 **A Gestured Life**

by Chang-rae Lee

Hostess: Anne Lauderbaugh

April 23 **Elephant Whisperer**

by Lawrence Anthony

Hostess: Pat Partovi

May 28 **Good Night, Irene**

by Luis Alberto Urrea

Hostess: Kate Mietus

June 25 Choose New Books

Hostess: Maggie Crawford

Kathy Cousineau

Daytime Books Chair



Books and Coffee

Books and Coffee meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10 AM. If you are interested in joining the group please email or call Kathi Brandmueller at kibrandmueller@gmail or 775-379-8952. Here's what we will be reading:

November: **The Girl Who Wrote in Silk**

by Kelli Estes

December: **The Maid**

by Nita Prose

January 2024 **Once There Were Wolves**

by Charlotte McCanaghy

Kathi Brandmueller

Books & Coffee Chair



Mahjong

The Mahjong Group meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 1:00pm. Whether you're a seasoned player or a beginner, you're welcome to join our group. Just email me at dfarsdahl@comcast.net for more information!

Dona Farsdahl

Mahjong Coordinator



Philanthropy Project 2023-2024

Our October luncheon included a presentation from Maddie's Place. Our speakers were Kim Dunham, Director of Family Advocacy and Katie Bunch-Smith, Peer Support. Maddie's Place is a 501(c)3 non-profit, free-standing recovery nursery for babies experiencing withdrawal due to prenatal substance exposure. Maddie's Place will take babies that are born addicted from the hospital as soon as they are medically stable.



This usually will happen a few days after birth. If the baby were left in the hospital they would be transferred to a Neonatal Unit where they are given drugs and have very little human contact during withdrawals.

The goal of Maddie's Place is to help the babies get through withdrawals without medication. This is done with cuddling and a lot of human contact. They also have many tricks to keep the baby as controllable as possible during the withdrawal process. Maddie's place has been open for one year in Spokane. It is a unique service and there are only about 9 other similar nurseries in the United States. For more information visit <https://www.maddiesplace.org>

To help raise money for this cause we had our usual raffle at the luncheon. This month's prize was a loaf of homemade cinnamon bread and a pound of gourmet coffee. It was won by Shirley Galkins. We also had adorable handmade pumpkins for sale. The pumpkins were made and sold by Anne Slauson and all proceeds were donated to Maddie's Place. Thank you, Anne. If anyone else has any fundraising ideas please let me know. Also, if you wish to donate to Maddie's Place at any time you can send your donation to the treasurer, Maureen Boutz,. Looking forward to seeing you in November.

Kathi Brandmueller
Philanthropy Chair

Bridge

This is a casual group of ladies that like to play contract bridge. In the past, we have met once a month on Thursday in a member's home in the afternoon. The host provides the space plus basic beverages (coffee, tea, and water).



Patty McCarty
Bridge Group

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Directory Updates

Please make a note of these changes:

Vivian Zagelow
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Vivian was accidentally omitted from the Directory.

Please welcome the following **new members**:

Joy Bennett
Joy's contact information is in the directory.

Carolyn Gallon
Carolyn's contact information is in the directory.

Katharine Ross
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Getting to Know You: The Compass Profile Corner

by Kate Mietus



Mimi Anderson

Has served in Compass Club as Vice President, Recording Secretary, Chair of Membership, Chair of Ways and Means, Trash to Treasure, and is currently the co-chair of the Wine and Spirits Club.

I have been a member of Compass Club for 13 years, One thing I have done as Membership Chair which hasn't been done previously is to make up goodie bags for new members and make a home visit. It's a great way to get to know each member, and answer any questions they might have about the group.

I was born in Sunnyside, WA, and attended Gonzaga. I transferred to Seattle University as an elementary education major. I moved around a lot in my first marriage. My son Brad was born in Denver and my daughter Amy was born in Chicago. I earned my MEd in Illinois. After my divorce, I reconnected with a high school friend, Tim. We just clicked and emailed for several months, enjoying a long-distance relationship for 5 years. When I retired, I moved to Spokane, and we married in 2007.

I have been a volunteer for Free Rein Therapeutic Riding since 2010. Also, I absolutely love working with ancestry, creating family trees for family and friends. I like to research the historical events that occurred at the time the family lived. Sometimes I discover uncomfortable events in a person's ancestry, but I have a favorite quote to tell them: "You cannot take credit or blame for what your ancestors have done."

The Compass Board has been considering having get-togethers for women who would like to visit and get to know each other better, beyond the monthly Compass Club luncheons. I think this would be a great idea.



Debra Belair

Compass Club member for 1 year.

I have been a member for one year, and have joined Daytime Books, Arts and Crafts, and Mahjong. I am new to Mahjong, but now I'm hooked.

I am originally from Tacoma where I met my husband at Starbuck's. For three years we lived in Augusta, Georgia, to be closer to his son and his family. We loved living in the south ~ lots to explore: the Eastern Seaboard, Charleston, Savannah ~ but we wanted to return to the Northwest. Two years ago, we bought a home in Spokane Valley with my sister-in-law.

In my spare time, I like to read, walk, swim at the Y, and tend my garden (veggies and flowers),.

Earning my degree in Human Services in 1999 was a very memorable experience for me. It allowed me to work with families and children.

Do you have any ideas for Compass Club? We need more members! More and diverse activities would bring in more members. A newcomers' club I belonged to in Augusta held a large, very popular Christmas party each year. It was enjoyed by everyone, including husbands and significant others.



Quilt & Stitch

The Nov mtg of Quilt & Stitch will be held at the home of Sylvia Bumgarner, 4014 N. Indian Bluff Rd. on Nov. 21st at 1 pm, just two days before Thanksgiving. Let me know if you wish to change the date. (509)496-2635 or anneslauson@gmail.com. Sylvia will serve a treat. Stitchers - sewers, knitters, crochet and embroidery makers also welcome. We'll focus on our boutique for the Christmas mtg.



Anne Slauson
Quilt & Stitch Chair

October Decorations

Hey, big shout out to all of my wonderful volunteer friends who helped me put the Decorations on the table at Das Steinhaus. Susan Miles did the drawing for us while Sheryl Krauser acted as scribe. Thank you, Ladies.

And here are our winners:
 Shirley Calkins, Joyce Colclough, Sheryl Krauser, Birgitta Stocking, Dona Farsdahl, Kathi Brandmueller, Sue Harris, and Sandy Colquhoun

Congratulations to those who won the beer stein w/ floating candle with extra candles, candy, harvest fruit, and most importantly, the witches pumpkin complete with a black cat & \$5 to pick your own brew!

See you in November with our autumn theme for centerpieces!

Shari Russell
Decorations



Crafting & Chatting

Hello friends!

Just a reminder for **OPEN CRAFTING** - that while many of us Craft, this is also an opportunity to get together and just have a glass of tea, coffee and chat with friends.

Here are our upcoming events:

CLASS - lighted tumbled/sea glass Christmas tree on mirrored base. \$30 per person which includes lunch. Openings are limited so please reserve soonest! Class to be held Thursday Nov 2nd from 10:30 - 2:00 pm at Shari Russell's home.

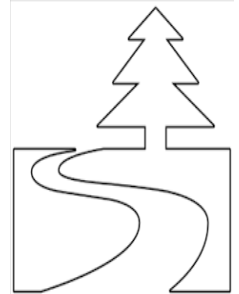


CLASS - card making class to be taught by Deb Mallion. Tentative cost is \$10 and she will have a snack and details will follow ... soon! I think we're trying to do something in December but who knows! This is a class that will require reservations as well since space is limited.

Shari Russell
Crafting & Chatting

Trailblazers: "Ride the Rails" Event

Our 18 Trailblazers had the perfect weather in September for our Lone Lions Club "Ride the Rails" event! We enjoyed lovely scenery along the scenic Pend Oreille River up to the Box Canyon Trestle, spotted wildlife and wildflowers then turned around and headed back to Lone. Afterwards, some folks headed home to Spokane but 10 of us stayed the night to explore the area and enjoy a BBQ potluck at the Riverview Motel!! A perfect way to end our adventure!



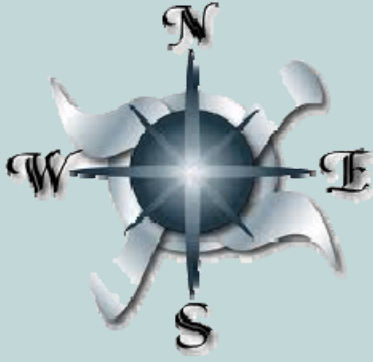
Until Next time ~

Vicki Deschaine and Shari Russell
Trailblazers Co-Chairs



Trailblazers: more photos from "Ride the Rails"





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Compass Club Monthly Planner

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
10/28	10/29	10/30	1 Mahjong 1pm	2 Deadline for luncheon reservations/cancels Crafting class 10:30 am	3	4
5	6	7 Luncheon & Bingo 11 am	8	9 Books & Coffee 10 am	10	11
12	13	14 Wine & Spirits 3 pm	15 Mahjong 1pm	16	17	18
19	20	21 Quilt & Sstitch 1 pm	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Daytime Books 1 pm	29	30		