



The Compass Rose



The Spokane Compass Club Newsletter — November 2025

President's Corner

What a nice luncheon. Thank you Maureen and Shirley, our Co Vice Presidents, for setting this up. I have a wonderful Board and all the members make my job so easy. Jolene Uddman from Safety Net gave a very informative talk. I spoke to her after, and she stated that she really enjoys working with Julie, our Philanthropy Chair. Thank you Julie for representing Compass Club in such a positive way.

Fall is finally here. The days are getting shorter and cooler, I even awoke a few mornings ago to fog. For some of us, this is good news, for others not so good, either way, enjoy the fall weather because winter is coming :).

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Luncheon Information

Our November luncheon will be held at the **Airport Ramada Inn on Tuesday, November 4**. Check-in begins at 11 am; brief meeting at 11:30 am, followed by lunch. This meeting will feature an Interest Group Fair, a Craft Sale, and a membership mixer.

The menu is Caesar salad; cashew crusted and pan-fried chicken breast with sweet cranberry compote; wild rice pilaf, broccoli; and lemon cake for dessert. The vegetarian option is a baked portobello mushroom stuffed with cheese, tomatoes, basil and breadcrumbs. A no-host bar will be available. Price is **\$30 per person**, payable to **Compass Club**. Our treasurer prefers checks, please.

Deadline for reservations is noon on Thursday, October 30.

Be sure to include your name and let Sheryl know if you want the vegetarian option when you make your reservation. We will do our best to accommodate GF or nut allergy requests.

Remember, 'A Reservation Made is a Reservation Paid' unless you cancel by the cancellation date, which is October 30 for this luncheon. Contact Sheryl Krauser at skrauser@comcast.net or text her at 509-435-2535. Contact Sheryl again if you don't receive a confirmation from her after a couple of days.

Maureen Boutz & Shirley Calkins / Co Vice Presidents

November Mini Calendar

10/30	Reservation Deadline — noon
11/4	November Luncheon check in 11-11:30
11/5	Mahjong 1p
11/11	Mexican Train 1p
11/13	Books & Coffee 10a Bunco 1p
11/14	Ping Pong 1p
11/17	Quilt & Stitch 1p
11/18	Ukulele Group 1p
11/19	Mahjong 1p
11/20	Wine & Spirits 3p
11/25	Daytime Books 1p

Philanthropy Update

Hello Compass Club Members!

I would like to thank all of you that came to the Octoberfest Luncheon at Das Stein Haus. We welcomed the executive director of Safety Net, Jolene Uddman, with warmth, good food, and lots of questions. She was thrilled and a bit embarrassed that she talked so long! I am so proud that we chose her organization and am eager to give her a big check in a few months.

At our October raffle, we made \$139, bringing our total to \$488. Keep up the good work! Just a gentle reminder that next month at our luncheon, we will be gathering supplies for young adults "to clean their apartments."



Dates to mark:

Thursday January 15th, 10a - 8p: Safety Net Day at Chowderhead Restaurant. A percentage of the day's proceeds will go right to our charity. Plan a lunch or dinner out!!

April Luncheon-- Quartermania Auction/ Raffle. We are seeking beautiful goods for donation: jewelry, purses, home decor, Gift Cards, etc. If you are lucky, you may win a Gift Card for a Quater! Please call/text Lisa Tapia if you have an item to donate.

Thank you,

Julie Tveit / Philanthropy Chair

News from October Luncheon

More than 50 attendees including three guests attended the October luncheon and enjoyed a German buffet at Das Stein Haus.

Maureen Boutz announced that a Chico fashion show will take place on 10/29 at 1 at Rockwood South—members & friends are welcome. Julie Tveit announced that a "Clean My Apartment" drive to benefit Safety Net will take place at the November luncheon—watch for a Blast with details. Julie also mentioned the Quartermania Auction & Raffle which will take place at the April luncheon.



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Thanksgiving will soon be upon us, and I wanted to share an easy molded salad recipe. I try to make this every Thanksgiving because it really says holiday to me.

Lemon Jello Salad:

Mix and Cool: 1 small package lemon Jello and 1 cup hot water.

Mix and add to above: 1 small can crushed pineapple, 1 8oz package cream cheese, ½ pint whipping cream (whip and folded into the above).

Pour in mold and chill.

You can also add small marshmallows and/or nuts.

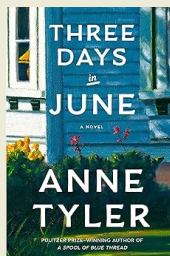
Kathi Brandmueller / President

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Daytime Books

Daytime Books meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1 pm for book discussion and light refreshments. If you would like to join us, please contact Kathy Cousineau at dighthere-bop@hotmail.com

Nov 25 ~ *Three Days In June*
by Ann Tyler
Hostess: Susan Miles



December ~ Holiday Luncheon -
Date and Location to be Determined

Jan 27 ~ *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon
Hostess: Sheryl Krauser

Feb 24 ~ *We Are Completely Beside Ourselves* by Karen Joy Fowler
Hostess: Joy Bennett

Mar 24 ~ *Perma Red* by
Debra Magpie Earling
Hostess: Debra Belair

Apr 28 ~ *The Emperor of Gladness* by
Ocean Vuong
Hostess: Colleen Maroney

May 26 ~ *The Secret War of Julia Child* by
Dianne R. Chambers
Hostess: Ginny Bott

June 23 ~ Choose New Books
Hostess: Kathy Cousineau

Kathy Cousineau / Daytime Books Chair

Wine & Spirits

The Wine and Spirits group will be gathering on Thursday, October 16 at Poole's Public House, 5620 S. Regal from 3 to 5 pm and at The Iron Goat, 1302 W 2nd St on Thursday, November 20 from 3 to 5 pm. We will reserve tables. The Iron Goat has craft beer made on site, cider, and wine, plus an extensive menu: <https://my-site-10810.square.site/>



All (members, spouses, friends, and family) are welcome at both events. So we can reserve enough tables, please RSVP to either Pat (patpartovi@gmail.com) or Mimi (meemanderson@hotmail.com) For pictures from Sept's gathering, see p 9.

Pat Partovi & Mimi Anderson / Wine & Spirits Co-chairs

Ukulele Group

The Ukulele Group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1 pm to practice and learn new songs. The meetings are at Kathi Brandmueller's home. Please let Kathi know if you are interested in joining. Contact her at kibranmueller@gmail.com

Kathi Brandmueller /
Ukulele Chair



Quilt & Stitch



The November meeting will be at 1p on the 17th at the home of Joy Bennett. There will be NO sewing session beforehand. Please RSVP to either her cell: 864.230.6300 and her email: workandplay500@gmail.com

We will evaluate the Craft Sale, plan our Christmas party, and have Show and Tell focusing on holiday projects. Bring ideas, patterns, and fabric.

All are welcome! Have a happy Thanksgiving!

Anne Slauson / Quilt & Stitch Chair
anneslauson@gmail.com

BYOB

Come join the fun at the next BYOB. These casual gatherings take place on Sunday afternoons at the homes of members. Everyone is welcome. Guests bring something sweet or savory to share along with their beverage of choice. Watch for details in either a Blast or the December Newsletter for more details.



For more information, email Vicki at Ldandsc@gmail.com.

Vicki Deschaine / BYOB Chair

Ladies Who Lunch

Our next gathering for Ladies Who Lunch will be a Christmas treat at the lavishly decorated Davenport Hotel on December 17th at 11 am. Since we'll be downtown, this will be an excellent chance to shop locally for Christmas presents. The first 12 ladies who respond via email Ldandsc@gmail.com will be included in the reservation.



We will be "going Dutch" and ordering off the menu.

Vicki Deschaine / Ladies Who Lunch Chair



Bunco

Our next Bunco game will take place during Thursday, Nov. 13. Contact Lynn Troop at bltroop@comcast.net if you are interested in being one of the 12 who will play.

Lynn Troop / Bunco Chair



Fall Craft Sale

The Fall Craft Sale is just around the corner. In addition to handcrafted items from the **Quilt & Stitch** group, **Maggie Crawford** and **Janie Schnurr**, there will be two pieces of artwork by **Joanne Leitch** and greeting cards by **Carol Hannah**. See photos below. We may also have a Christmas wreath decorated by **Hildy Cox**. All items will be priced for sale and there will be a bucket nearby for cash/checks.

Items will be available for sale starting at 11am.

Display tables will be along the wall in front of the dining area. Please contact me if you have craft items to donate, and I will arrange for a display table. Thank you.

Patty Hostetter / Fundraising Chair
peanuts303@aol.com



Books and Coffee

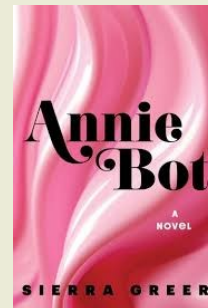
Books and Coffee meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am. If you would like to join us, please contact Kathi Brandmueller at 775.379.8952 or kibrandueller@gmail.com

November 13 ~ *Annie Bot* by Sierra Greer,
Hostess Rita Van Cleve

December 11~ *Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers* by Jesse Q. Sutanto,
Hostess Kathi Brandmueller

January 8 ~ *Crow Talk* by Eileen Garvin via ZOOM

Kathi Brandmueller / Books and Coffee Chair



Ping Pong

We play on the 2nd Friday of the month between 1 and 2:30. We will play next on November 14th at Jackie Brandt's home.

Please send Jackie an email (jaclyn.brandt@gmail.com) if you are coming. Paddles are provided and beginners are welcome.



Jaclyn Brandt / Ping Pong Chair

Mahjong



We play the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 pm; for November, that is the 5th and the 19th. An email will be sent out the week before with the location.

We welcome all members who might be interested in learning a challenging but fun new game—no experience necessary. Please contact Colleen Maroney at c_maroney@comcast.net for more information.

Colleen Maroney / Mahjong Chair



The Social Club

The Social Club goes on wonderful outings. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Phyllis Packwood at jpneveralone@aol.com or 509.294.0387 to be put on our email list.

Phyllis Packwood / The Social Club Chair

Mexican Train

The Mexican Train group plays on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. All members are welcome; other interest group members, too. Our next game will be played on November 11 from 1—3. We are looking for a place and hostess. If anyone is interested, please let me know and RSVP to my email cldonelson@hotmail.com



Connie Donelson / Mexican Train Chair

Walking Club

The Walk to End Alzheimer's happened on a dark and stormy day. In spite of the fact that many of us did not walk (for a variety of reasons), we still donated and received donations on behalf of our Compass Club team. As of October 11, we have exceeded our goal of \$200 reaching a total of \$295.



Thank you to all who participated with generous donations and who signed up to walk to help end this debilitating disease.

Miriam Culwell / Walking Club Chair
teamculwell@comcast.net

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Philanthropy winners: Mary Scarpelli, Phyllis Packwood, & Dorothy Klepp. Over \$50 went to the winner of the 50/50 drawing.

For more information about the centerpiece winners, see pictures and article to the right.

Jolene Uddman gave an informative talk about Safety Net.

Thank you to Patty Hostetter for luncheon details and Kathi Brandmueller for pictures.



Lunch choices (above) and Jolene Uddman (right)



More luncheon pictures on page 9.

Caring Corner

To request a "Get Well," "Thinking of You," or "Sympathy" card, please contact our Corresponding Secretary.

A "Sympathy" card was sent to Ginny Bott and a "Get Well" card was sent to Victoria McDonald.



Kathy Cousineau / Corresponding Secretary ~ digtherebop@hotmail.com or 303.748.9606.

October Table Decorations—Above

What a fun drawing for the October centerpieces. I love it when you ladies tell me you got to take home the one you had set your eyes on. It happens! Our speaker was gifted an honorary centerpiece and then her ticket was also drawn—she was definitely meant to be a winner. Thanks to Vicki for passing her winning centerpiece onto our dear friend, Shari who is home recovering from an illness. Two of our first time guests got to take home centerpieces to thank them for joining us and to hopefully encourage them to become members. Our centerpieces help support local businesses and charities—some of this month's treasurers came from Union Gospel Mission, Goodwill, Hospice of Post Falls, Helping Captives, and Revel Junk. Decorating our luncheon tables is something I truly enjoy doing. See you in November.

Winners: Guests: Kathy Cunneely & Star Tomlinson, Shirley Calkins, Linda Rapp, Billie Pittman, Vicki Deschaine, Danielle Day, Julie Tveit {Grab Bag}, & Jolene Uddman.

Susan Miles / Decoration Chair

Membership Update

Fall is in the air and Mother Nature is winding down her growing season. Compass Club, however, is continuing to grow. As we begin to increase our activities after the summer, more ladies are finding their way to us.

We would love to welcome the following ladies to Compass Club...

Donna Kalin
donna_kalin@hotmail.com

Fran Reeder
fcreeder@gmail.com
Trailblazers, Mexican Train, Social Club, Bunco

Deva Ward
DevaWard53@gmail.com
Interest Groups: Books & Coffee, Ukulele

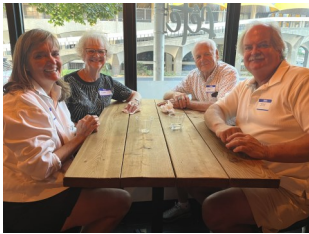


There are a limited number of printed directories for those who cannot access the directory from their email which was sent in September. The cost for these directories is \$5.00. Please pay Dorothy Klepp when you pick up your directory.

Sandy Colquhoun / Membership

Wine & Spirits Pictures

W&S Gathering at Fete in September. Pictures courtesy of Mim Anderson



Luncheon Pictures



Interest Groups

Interest Group Chairs should watch for an email with the plans for the Interest Group Fair which will take place during the November luncheon. Chairs have the basic information, but the room arrangement needs to be finalized. Each group might think about having some sort of handout with meeting information available for members.

Kathleen Howlett / Interest Group Chair
kjhhowlett@gmail.com

Compass Club Board Members & Interest Group Chairs

Board Members	Names	Interest Groups	Chairs
President	Kathi Brandmueller	Books & Coffee	Kathi Brandmueller
Co Vice Presidents	Maureen Boutz Shirley Calkins	Bunco	Lynn Troop
Recording Scty	Susie Volwiler	BYOB	Vicki Deschaine
Corresponding Scty	Kathy Cousineau	Crafts & Chats	Shari Russell
Treasurer	Dorothy Klepp	Daytime Books	Kathy Cousineau
Membership	Sandy Colquhoun	Ladies Who Lunch	Vicki Deschaine
Philanthropy	Julie Tveit	Mexican Train	Connie Donelson
Fundraising	Patty Hostetter	Mahjong	Colleen Maroney
		Ping Pong	Jackie Brandt
50-50 / Bingo	Barbara Boniface	Quilt & Stitch	Anne Slauson
Interest Groups	Kathleen Howlett	The Social Club	Phyllis Packwood
Reservations	Sheryl Krauser	Trailblazers	Vicki Deschaine Shari Russell
Hostess	Danielle Day	Ukulele Group	Kathi Brandmueller
Newsletter/Web Page/Blasts	Victoria McDonald Launa Norman	Walking Group	Miriam Culwell
Decorations	Susan Miles	Wine & Spirits	Mimi Anderson Pat Partovi

Please consult your directory for contact information

News from the Compass Club News Team:

- The Member Profile articles will return in December.
- Please consult <https://spokanecompassclub.org> for current information and live links. The website is updated when the newsletter is released.

Launa Norman & Victoria McDonald / CCNT—compassclubnews@gmail.com



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Oct 26	Oct 27	Oct 28 <i>Daytime Books 1</i> (pg 3)	Oct 29	Oct 30 <i>Deadline for Luncheon</i> RSVP—noon		1
2	3	4 <i>November Luncheon check-in 11-11:30</i> (pg 1)	5 <i>Mahjong 1p</i> (pg 6)	6	7	8
9	9	11 <i>Mexican Train 1p</i> (pg 6)	12	13 <i>Books & Coffee 10a</i> (pg 5) <i>Bunco 1p</i> (pg 4)	14 <i>Ping Pong 1-2:30</i> (p 5)	15
16	17 <i>Quilt & Stitch 1p</i> (pg 4)	18 <i>Ukulele Group 1pm</i> (pg 3)	19 <i>Mahjong 1p</i> (pg 6)	20 <i>Wine & Spirits 3p</i> (pg 3)	21	22
23	24	25 <i>Deadline for Luncheon RSVP noon</i> <i>Daytime Books 1 pm</i> (pg 3)	26	27 	28	29
30	Dec 1	Dec 2 <i>December Luncheon—check-in 11—11:30</i>	Dec 3	Dec 4	Dec 5	Dec 6

November Birthdays -

Please wish the following members a very happy November birthday:

Kate Mietus ~ 3; Pat Partovi ~ 9; Tyra Demateis ~ 16;

Kathy Catron ~ 18; Sheryl Gibson ~ 21; Kathi Brandmueller ~ 21;

Ginny Bott ~ 27; Tricia Sims ~ 29; and Lisa Tapia ~ 29

