



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

The holidays are my favorite time of the year. Having grandmothers who reveled in Thanksgiving and Christmas, I guess it is in my DNA. So I look forward to the TCC’s holiday luncheon each year. Diane Coons has put together a “Joyful, Hopeful Christmas” luncheon for us with guest musician Tristan Selzler.

TCC members make a difference in our community—not just during the holidays, but year round. This month’s philanthropic drive recipient is Northern Nevada HOPES. Peggy Slattery and I had the privilege of touring their facility this summer. HOPES provides a unique approach to care-giving with wrap around services available in-house. The physicians and social workers recognized early that to achieve successful outcomes for their patients, they needed to ensure that basic life needs of shelter, food, and clothing were met. It is hard to focus on getting well, when you don’t know where you are going to sleep that night. I think you will find HOPES community impact numbers to be impressive.

It might be the Christmas luncheon—the elections are over—but you have one more vote to cast. We need to take care of a bit of business at the luncheon by voting to adopt the revised bylaws which were included in last month’s newsletter. This change will be consistent with our contract at the Community Foundation of Northern Nevada (CFNN). It is a simple two-word change, but we need to follow protocol.

Historically, our endowment at the CFNN has performed exceptionally well—earning up to \$20,000 a year. This is why we were tweaking the contract language to allow us better access to the funds. Our wish was to be able to put more earnings to work bettering our community. The irony is that this year, with the market’s volatility, we will not have the earnings to draw from to make our awards.

To fund our nursing and radiology scholarships at Truckee Meadows Community College, we are relying on the proceeds from the cookbook sales. Before social media, companies depended upon word-of-mouth to sell products. In the 70s, there was a shampoo commercial capitalizing on the concept, “They told two friends...and, so on.” I’m encouraging members to boost sales by telling two friends about the TCC’s cookbook. If each member sells three copies we break-even, if each member sells seven copies we will sell out. As an incentive, the member who sells the most copies will win a free lunch. Who said there is no such thing as a free lunch?

Kimberly Elliott



THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

“You can tell a lot about a person by the way they handle three things: a rainy day, lost luggage and tangled Christmas tree lights.” —*Maya Angelou*

“Christmas is a tonic for our souls. It moves us to think of others rather than of ourselves. It directs our thoughts to giving.” — *B. C. Forbes*

“Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone.” —*Charles Schultz*

DECEMBER 8TH | CHRISTMAS JOY AND HOPE

It's that wonder-filled, joyful and hopeful time of the year. Christmas trees are trimmed to the background sounds of Mariah Carey's "All I want for Christmas is You" and Hallmark's "30 Days of Christmas" movie-thon. What better time to have a holiday party? We have asked local musician and composer Tristan Selzler to make some joyful music for us.

Reno-based Tristan Selzler is a multi-instrumentalist, composer, bandleader and educator. He earned a B.A. and an M.A. from the University of Nevada, Reno. Mr. Selzler teaches piano at Western Nevada College, and is Music Director at Unity Center of Reno, as well as Organist for the Minor League Baseball team, The Reno Aces.

Mr. Selzler has performed in settings ranging from small concert venues to jazz festival main stages in Nevada, and many parts of the U.S. West Coast, particularly the San Francisco Bay, and Monterey Bay areas. He has also performed internationally, notably in Tokyo, and Kyoto, Japan. ■



DECEMBER LUNCHEON BENEFICIARY NORTHERN NEVADA HOPES

Since 1997, Northern Nevada HOPES has been on the front lines of community health, caring for those with the fewest resources and options, many of whom are living in crisis every day.

From its early days as a single-room HIV/AIDS clinic to the 38,000-square-foot community health center it is today, HOPES continues to serve Northern Nevada's vulnerable, overlooked and underserved.

They tackle the community's hard problems with resolve and compassion — from

chronic disease to addiction. A team of providers — including doctors, mental



health experts, addiction counselors, and case workers — work under one roof, making access to comprehensive medical, behavioral and wellness support services possible.

While patients typically come to HOPES seeking medical care, their medical team works

closely with on-site case managers to meet all patients' wellness needs. Twenty-five percent of their patients are experiencing homelessness and many others — including children and seniors — rely on them for far more than medical services. They depend on their case managers to connect them with meals, clothing, shelter, mental health care, addiction recovery support and other vital services. HOPES provides comprehensive, patient-centered healthcare services. ■

MEMBERSHIP—WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Current membership is at 67 including new member Christine Steager. Welcome, Christine. Christine is one of—if not the first member who first contacted us through our webpage. That is a good sign and a sign that the ‘the times they are changing...’.

We had several guests at the November luncheon. If you bring a guest to lunch, be sure your guest gets the ‘guest’ packet, including an application form. Lunches

continue to be our best recruiting tool and if your guest joins, you will get a free lunch!

Good News! The Twentieth Century Club 2022 Cookbook is printed and available for sale. This is the fifth edition of the Cookbook published by TCC, including editions in 1907, 1934, 1964, and 1994. The cover of the new edition does homage to each of the previous editions. And the new edition is a trip through time via recipes.

There will be a ‘book launch’ at Sundance Book Store on December 3, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Make plans to attend.

I received a phone call from Mary Ann O’Donnell’s husband, Dan, who said their phone number in the annual roster is incorrect and the correct number is 817-854-9586. Kindly make that change to your roster.

Peggy Slattery
Membership Chair

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER

Those born in December have two birth flowers to choose from—each very distinct: Holly and Paperwhite Narcissus. Holly symbolizes happiness and security at home, while the Narcissus is symbolic of kindness and honor in western cultures and prosperity in the far east.



Wishing you a day filled with happiness and a year filled with joy.

Happy Birthday!

Carolyn Allfree, Joan Brick, Tricia Murray, and Liz Sheppard

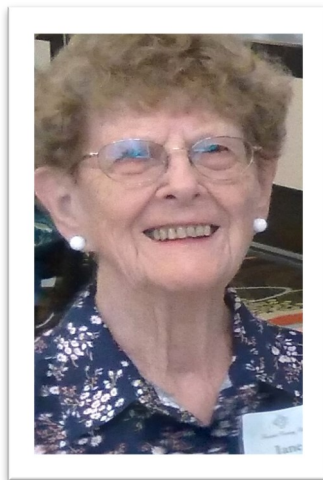
SURVEY SAYS: THREE WORDS THAT DESCRIBE US

At the November luncheon, the bonus survey question was “What three adjectives best describe you?” We already know TCC members are classy, smart, and compassionate women—here is what you said.

Analytical	Creative	Kind	Talented
Artistic	Helpful	Positive	Unique
Artist	Humorous	Quiet	Very Cool
Cat Lover	Inquisitive	Reader	Writer

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT—JANE CHAPMAN

I was born in Santa Monica, CA and spent the first 10 years of my life in Yosemite National Park. My father was in the Park Service and served as the resident landscape architect. I was lucky enough to know Ansel Adams. He owned and operated a camera shop and that is where I took my Baby Brownie film to be developed.



On December 7, 1941 my father was called back into the Army and we spent two years in San Pedro, CA and two years in Port Townsend, WA. We then moved to Omaha and my last two years of high school. I attended the University of Colorado, Boulder, and graduated in 1953.

From there I went with 3 friends to San Francisco to live and work. We found an apartment on Telegraph Hill and I found a job as a legal secretary. Life was good! Then by chance I met the man who would become my husband. He happened to come to our apartment with a friend who was dating one of my roommates. The minute I laid eyes on him, I said to myself “That’s the man I’m going to marry” and sure enough I did – some 18 months later.

We spent 2 years in Heidelberg while he was in the Army, then 5 years in San Jose, moving to Reno in 1965 and have been here ever since. My husband died this past May after 66 years of marriage, 5 children, 15 grandchildren and 2 greats. I enjoy bridge, reading, watercolor painting and learning to play the ukulele. I just celebrated my 91st birthday.

FROM THE COOK BOOK—ULTIMATE COMFORT FOOD

Jane’s Spanish Delight

1 lb. hamburger
1 can tomatoes
1 can tomato sauce
1 can cream style corn
1 cup chopped onions

Whole black olives (as many as you like)
Seasonings: paprika, Worcestershire sauce, chili powder
Grated cheddar cheese
¾ package egg noodles

Sauté onions in oil or butter until soft. Add hamburger and cook until it is brown. Add tomatoes, tomato sauce, corn, olives and seasonings. Simmer. Cook noodles and add to the skillet. Combine the ingredients well and then transfer to a greased casserole. Top with grated cheese (as much as you like) and bake at 300 degrees for an hour.

Serves 8.—Jane Chapman



TCC BOOK CLUB—BOOKS AND CAFFEINE

Our October discussion of Kristen Hannah's "The Four Winds" ranged over many topics, thanks to the perceptive and probing questions of Roni Nicora. Of course, the Depression and the Dust Bowl years are almost incomprehensible to many of us who have never experienced such devastation and hardship.

In November, Liz Sheppard has chosen to lead us through the trials and tribulations of Molly Gray in "The Maid" by Nita Prose. Molly's gran kept her world simple, structured, and on the straight and narrow. But now Molly must function on her own as a maid at the Regency Grand Hotel. She has no idea the twisted and obstructive path that awaits her as she tries to solve the murder of a wealthy, mean, and cantankerous hotel resident.

We're up for a legal procedural in December as Lynda Knepper leads us through John Grisham's "The Summons"—an oldy, but "goodly" yarn. An old, very respected and powerful Judge Atlee is a sick and lonely old man who's nearing his end. He issues a summons for his two sons to visit him and discuss his estate. They reluctantly head to meet with him: only he dies just before they arrive!!

And Edie Ferguson has chosen Donna Leon's "Blood from a Stone"—a Guido Brunetti mystery for our January read. In Venice, an illegal immigrant from Senegal is murdered. And Guido sees more in the crime than just a simple clash of cultures. As he pursues certain clues, an engrossing and complex portrait of corruption and greed emerges.

We meet the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. at Barnes & Noble. Please join us for any discussion, or just come to listen and visit!! ■ *Barbara Oppio, Book Club Chair*

BRIDGE CLUB—PLAYERS ARE BROWN BAGGING IT

TCC's bridge players are brown bagging it at the home of Jan Browne—4025 Bitter Creek Court, Reno, Nevada. There are restaurants nearby, if you prefer to pick something up. Jan will provide coffee. All players must be vaccinated, but masks are optional. Cost: \$1 for prize money. Bridge Co-Chairs: Joan Brick, Roberta Gerber and Jane Chapman.

The TCC Bridge Club meets on the 1st Friday morning of each month. Play begins at 10:00 and ends at 2:30 in the afternoon. ■

THE MAHJONG CLUB—TCC'S "QUINT"-ESSENTIAL WOMEN

Mahjong is a game of skill, strategy, and luck. The game is played with a set of 144 tiles based on Chinese characters and symbols. Base hands are called "quints" or five of a kind. To win a game, a player must be both offensive and defensive – the aim is to complete the best hand as quickly as possible, while not discarding tiles that will be of advantage to other players. The group meets at Swill Coffee & Wine Café on Mondays —9:30 am to 2:30 pm. The address is 3366 Lakeside Circle. Linda Felices is chair. ■

LUNCHEON MEETINGS

The Twentieth Century Club meets September through May on the second Thursday of each month. Check-in and socializing begins at 11:30 a.m. with the luncheon service and program starting at noon. The meetings are held at the Atlantis Casino Resort which is conveniently located at 3800 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada.

For more information about the Club's activities and upcoming programs, please visit the website at twentiethcenturyclub.org.



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A Joyful, Hopeful Christmas with Tristan Selzler

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Thursday, December 8, 2022

11:30 a.m. Check-in and Socializing • 12:00 p.m. Luncheon and Program
Lunch \$35.00 Per Person

Garden Salad and Dutch Crunch Rolls with Butter
Braised Short Ribs

Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Sautéed Haricot Verts & Roasted Parmesan Tomato

Vegetarian—Ratatouille Tower

Eggplant, Zucchini, Portabella Mushrooms, Zesty Marinara, Grilled Polenta & Roasted Tomato (No Cheese)

Key Lime Tart or Fruit Cup

Roasted Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Specialty Teas & Iced Tea

Payment or cancellation must be received by **noon on Friday, December 2, 2022**. Reservation questions, call Diane Coons at 408.891.2174. Mail reservation to: Diane Coons, 1805 Stone Pointe Drive, Reno, NV 89523

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Menu (Please circle choice): Braised Short Rib Vegetarian

Guest Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Menu (Please circle choice): Braised Short Rib Vegetarian

Enclosed is my luncheon reservation check made payable to Twentieth Century Club for: _____



Optional Guest Program Support

This luncheon’s Philanthropic Drive beneficiary is the Northern Nevada HOPES. HOPES serves on the front lines of community health, caring for those with the fewest resources and options, many of whom are living in crisis every day.

Yes, I would like to support the Northern Nevada HOPES. Enclosed is my check for _____ payable to: Northern Nevada HOPES.