



NO LONGER SWEETHEARTS

THREE DIVORCEES WHO CAME TO RENO FOR THE CURE AND STAYED

Marcia Hart, Monaei Lindley, and Hazel Payne all came to Reno for a divorce, and ultimately found love again. Although it sounds like the stuff of myth and urban legend, marriages between society ladies and cowboys or other locals really happened. This presentation will introduce you to three such divorcees who made an indelible mark on Reno.

Our speaker, Debbie Hinman, is a Reno native and UNR graduate. For the past 20 years, she has been a researcher, writer and tour guide with the Historic Preservation Society, and has been a commissioner on the City of Reno Historical Resources Commission since 2016.

Our philanthropy recipient this month is Historic Reno Preservation Society. HRPS is dedicated to preserving historic resources in Northern Nevada through education, advocacy, and outreach. Each year, hundreds of people attend their historic neighborhood walking tours, their annual home tour, or monthly speaker programs. *Joy Orlich, VP—Programs*

*Monaei Lindley, one of the
three divorcees.*



TCC CALENDAR

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY

It has been proven that our social connections keep us healthy and happy. The Twentieth Century Club continues to provide several opportunities each month to socialize with a wonderful group of women.

- We start this month with **Bridge on Friday, February 2nd**. Play begins at 10:00 and ends at 2:30 in the afternoon. Each player contributes to the prize pot distributed at the end of the afternoon to the winners.
- The **TCC Breakfast Club** which meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month—the next meeting is on **February 7th at 9:00 a.m.** No agenda, just a great way to start your day with interesting women. The ladies are trying different breakfast spots around town—this month they will be meeting at Mimi's Cafe located at 5090 Kietzke Lane. Call Jan Browne to confirm for this month's breakfast. Her number is 775.762.1765.
- Join us for **TCC's Lunch & Learn** with Debbie Hinman, with the Historic Reno Preservation Society, on Thursday, **February 8th at 11:30 a.m.** at the Atlantis Casino Resort.
- The **TCC Book Club** is meeting on Wednesday, **February 21 at 10:30 a.m.** at Barnes & Noble. February's suspenseful read will be: *The Woman in the Library* by Sulari Gentill. Kimberly Elliott will be leading the discussion this month.
- And, it's not too early to think about our **May 9th Spring Basket Extravaganza Raffle**. Last year, our first Spring Basket Extravaganza Raffle generated nearly \$1,900 for our nursing scholarships. Our goal this year is \$3,000. To reach this objective, we need raffle donations or gift baskets. It is through generosity of our members and our contacts on the business and non-profit community we can meet this goal. If you would like to donate, please contact Jill Navarrette via email jillnavarrette@gmail.com or 775-772-8626.

TCC'S BOOK CLUB 2024 SELECTIONS

Our members had great insights into the issues presented in *Banyan Moon* by Thao Thai and highly recommend this novel.

February 21—Kimberly Elliott will lead our discussion of *The Woman in the Library*—a twisty, twirly mystery that begins in the Reading Room at the Boston Public Library. Sulari Gentill is the author of this *USA Today* bestseller.

March 20—Cynthia Harris chose to lead a discussion on *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. This historical fiction novel moves between the 1850's and the current era. The story centers on the most famous racehorse in American history as seen through the eyes of his most devoted caregiver, as well as the artist who painted him, and the modern-day researcher who pieces together his story.

May 15—*The Girl in Cabin 13* by A.J. Rivers was chosen by Roni Nicora to discuss on April 17th and Barbara Oppio will lead a discussion of Todd Borg's *Tahoe Hijack* on May 15th.

We meet on the third Wednesday each month at Barnes & Noble at 10:30 am. and invite you to join us anytime for any discussion.

Barbara Oppio, Corresponding Secretary & Book Club Chair



FEBRUARY LUNCHEON BENEFICIARY HISTORIC RENO PRESERVATION SOCIETY

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This month's raffle prize is a beautiful set of fused glass heart. A perfect gift for Valentine's Day. The plates were designed and made by TCC member Jill Navarrette.



MEMBERSHIP

TCC WELCOMES ANOTHER NEW MEMBER

As of January 17, 2024, the membership is 62. We have one new member, Doreen Max. Doreen was introduced to TCC by Jill Navarrette. In addition, I have had several requests for Membership Applications which I am hopeful will lead to new memberships. Just as a reminder, if you need membership information, I am happy to get that pushed out—either to you or directly to the interested party. Don't hesitate to ask!

I hope you will consider serving on the TCC's board. As we are getting closer to the election for 2024-2025 officers, you may be approached by the Nominating Committee. If you have questions about the responsibilities of the various jobs, please reach out to current or previous Board members for information. Being on the Board is a bit of work but very rewarding.

Happy Valentines Day! *Peggy Slattery*, VP—Membership

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY

February born people do not hesitate to help others. They are natural givers and are always ahead of others when it comes to charity. These people with big and compassionate hearts can never bear the agonies of others and always try their best to make things easy for all. Celebrating birthdays this month are:

Diane Coons, LaVonne Duhon, Patricia Gough,
Isabelle Pearce, and Frances Smith

Wishing you a day filled with happiness and a year filled with joy.
Happy Birthday!



2024 SPRING BASKET EXTRAVAGANZA

The 2024 Spring Basket Extravaganza is scheduled for our May Charter Meeting and Installation of Officers on May 9, 2024. We rely on raffle gifts from our TCC members and our network of non-profits and local businesses. Our goal this year is to raise \$3000 for our Truckee Meadows Scholarships and your donations will help us reach this objective. Sign-up sheets will be available at the registration table at our February 8th luncheon at the Atlantis.

Jill Navarrette, Secretary & Event Coordinator

PHILANTHROPY: THE SILENT GIVER

During the past few months, I have had the unexpected gift of being asked to write about the subject of Philanthropy for the Twentieth Century Club newsletter. To my amazing delight, in my research I uncovered volumes of information, both historical and current times about philanthropy. I also have learned that philanthropy has a wide range of meanings and ways that philanthropy can be practiced both by organizations and individuals. I have also learned that philanthropy has many layers and rewards for both the giver and the receiver.

The Twentieth Century Club has philanthropy as part of the cornerstone of the organization. I feel that we have a very strong commitment to choosing organizations and causes that need and will benefit from our financial gift.

On a personal level, I have expanded my personal definition of philanthropy and try to be aware of how people are feeling. I try to think of ways I can incorporate small ways to do things for others during my day. I realized that my time is my gift to give. The “gift” may be money, a

telephone call to someone who needs to talk, a smile, a wave to a neighbor, a small bag of cat or dog food to a person whose pet is the only “family” they have. The best gifts are “silent” no one knows when or why the gift was given except the recipient; and that is the magic of giving from the heart.

“Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony.”

Mahatma Gandhi

Chrystine Klett—Philanthropy



“The measure of the worth of an organization to its community is found in its ability to embrace opportunities for service.”

TCC 2023-24 Fundraising Beneficiaries

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| TCC Nursing Scholarships | | 1,191.00 |
| September | League to Save Lake Tahoe | 195.00 |
| October | Domestic Violence Resource Center | 255.00 |
| November | Nevada Youth Empowerment Program | 415.00 |
| December | Wild Nevada Fundraiser for TCC Scholarships | 165.00 |
| January | Friends of the Library | 765.00 |
| February | Historic Reno Preservation Society | |
| March | Nevada Women’s History Project | |
| April | Nevada State Museum | |
| | | \$2,986.00 |

STORMY JANUARY DAY DIDN’T SLOW GENEROSITY

Overnight snowfall caused school closures and work-from-home orders, but we were pleased to have 22 of our 27 RSVPs brave the elements to join us for lunch on January 11th, including 3 guests. Debi Stears with Washoe County Library gave a lively presentation about the current book selection environment, and described the library’s processes for handling challenges. The presentation was very well received.

Our raffle table included the usual free lunch and 50/50 drawing, plus a set of 4 fused glass appetizer/ dessert plates, a fused glass pendant, and a fresh loaf of rosemary sourdough bread, all donated by Jill Navarrette, and a set of 3 books from the TCC Book Club.

In addition, \$500 was donated to Friends of the Library on behalf of the TCC Book Club, along with \$265 in direct donations from other club members.

