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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Carolyn White

Happy New Year everyone!! What a year we had, and so many wonderful new friends were made. We had a delicious Christmas Dinner and the tables were decorated so beautifully. It's so nice that we have such talented ladies who make things look so pretty. A big Thank You to Pat Fiero and Frank Mignoli for all their hard work. I also want to personally thank all the volunteers who helped make our Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners go so smoothly.

Our membership is growing, and our Center is beautiful. A lot of new things have happened this past year. New games, new activities, and we are now back to having our dinners, and soup and salad days.

We will shortly have new siding on the building and then a new color. There are new flowers at the entrance, new lights in front of the parking spaces, and I'm told the car stops will be painted a bright yellow soon.

Don't forget we're voting for Volunteers of 2022. Voting goes on until January 15th. Ballots and a ballot box are in the reception area.

There's talk about a Super Bowl party, so keep watching the board for further news. We haven't had one in a while.

How do you like the new look of the Gazette and Calendar? Our Editor Barbara has been busy revamping it to be able to fit in all our activities.

As always, I enjoy being your President and working with our terrific Board of Directors. I want to thank J C Henderson and Beverly Ball for the great jobs they did on the Board and to the directors that went off the Board.

Our Board welcomes any ideas for our Center and we look forward to helping increase our membership.

May your year be filled with good health, happiness, and peace.



VP NOTES

by Ellen Fannin

First, let me introduce myself, since many of you may not know me. I was just installed as the Vice President of the Board at our wonderful Christmas luncheon. Thank you to all who helped to make it such a special time. Whether you helped with the set-up, decorated tables, helped with or brought food, served food, shared your musical talents or volunteered in any other way, we truly appreciate you.

I joined TOTH last Spring, and because of my background in event planning, I was put to work pretty quickly coordinating the 2022 Senior Expo. I am looking forward to serving the Center and hope to get to know each and every one of you.

Be sure to mark your calendars for two important events!

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DON'T FORGET

2023 membership dues are due
no later than Feb 28th

Vote for two 'Volunteers of the Year'
by Jan 15th

VP NOTES

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On Wednesday, January 18th at 12 noon, a representative from Care Access (one of our vendors from the Senior Expo) will present a talk regarding Alzheimer's, which has touched so many lives.

There have been advances in research and prevention of this disease that affects not just the person but also their friends and family. Care Access will provide a light lunch of sandwiches for attendees. Please sign up to attend and come hear more.

A Super Bowl party is being planned for Sunday, February 12th. The game will be at 5:30 pm Central Time. Denny Clauson is coordinating the event. This gives us a great opportunity to utilize our new big screen TV. Whether your team is playing or not, there are always the commercials (they are sometimes better than the games!). Most of all, it will be a time to come together for some fun! Watch for more details in the February Gazette.

Happy New Year to each of you! May 2023 be your best year ever!

FROM THE DIRECTOR

by Lisa Leirvaag



And thank you for the old one!

A heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful volunteers. TOTH could not exist without you.

Thank you, officers, and Board of Directors for your steady guidance.

A special thanks to our friends in the City of Cedar Park who do their best to keep "our" building shipshape and us comfortable.

With all this help and support, I feel I can safely look forward to the new year. We already started some new games and activities in 2022, and hopefully we'll continue this trend in 2023. I am especially excited about the new Forum feature on our website and hope that many members will try it out. (I have already opened an account.)

We kick off the new year with physical activities. After indulging in all that food on Thanksgiving and Christmas, we need to move. Join us first for Sit & Fit, and/or for Line Dance class on Monday, January 2nd.

Do you want to rid yourself of clutter and really become organized? Participate in the "Downsizing/Let's get organized" class on Friday, January 6th at 1 p.m.

And don't forget to join Care Access for lunch on Wednesday, January 18th to learn about advances being made in the research and prevention of Alzheimer's disease. Sign-up required!

We're off to a good start. Let's go 2023!

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." – C.S. Lewis

TOTH FORUM

by Barbara Duprey

Well, the TOTH Forum is up and running, and several members have already gotten their login information, receiving an email from Treasure of the Hills Forum Support that provides a link for either accepting the auto-generated password, or changing it to something more memorable (though if you do forget, there's a way to recover on the login screen). Once you've set up the password, you can log in and start looking at what's there and contributing to the conversations. Not much yet, of course, just some 'seeds' to get things started — General Discussion, Pictures, Books, Movies, and Remember When. More will be added as we go along!

If you want to join the fun, just let me know. We're not adding everybody yet, just those who are ready to start on a new adventure in building a community that can include people who really can't come regularly to the Center. That includes those who are still working, don't drive, have trouble scheduling activities due to doctors' appointments, or whatever.

If you know of anybody who might want to take advantage of this new membership benefit, but might not see the Gazette, please pass the word! There's a Visitor account available to those who'd just like to 'lurk' for a while. That password is available from the receptionist. Have fun!

TOTH BOARD NOTES

by Ann Mignoli

The 'Pen' has been passed and I got baptized as Secretary at the December Board meeting to take the minutes for Beverly. Thanks, Beverly, for a wonderful job of documenting all the activities and business for the past year, and for patiently giving me instructions to carry on!!

AGENDA NOTES:

- MarEllen is planning a Super Bowl Party for 2/12/2023. Lisa will check the Church's schedule since that is a Sunday. Check the Bulletin Board for more details. Snacks and appetizers can be brought to share.
- Ellen is checking larger venues for the Senior Expo in 2023; more information will be forthcoming.
- Don't forget to vote for Volunteers of the Year; ballots are at the desk. Deadline is 1/15/2023.
- One coat rack has been installed—looks like we will be using it soon.
- A request for a urinal for the men's bathroom has been sent to the City.
- Barbara Duprey gave a presentation of Forum Support on the TOTH website. The Board approved a one-year trial period; the forum will be linked through the current website. Barbara will do a presentation to the membership at a date to be announced.

President White thanked the members of her Board for all their work this year and gave everyone a Christmas treat.



IN MEMORIAM
Helen Jaqua



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Denny Clauson

November totals:

Total income \$3300
Total expenses \$2200
Gain in investments \$10,300

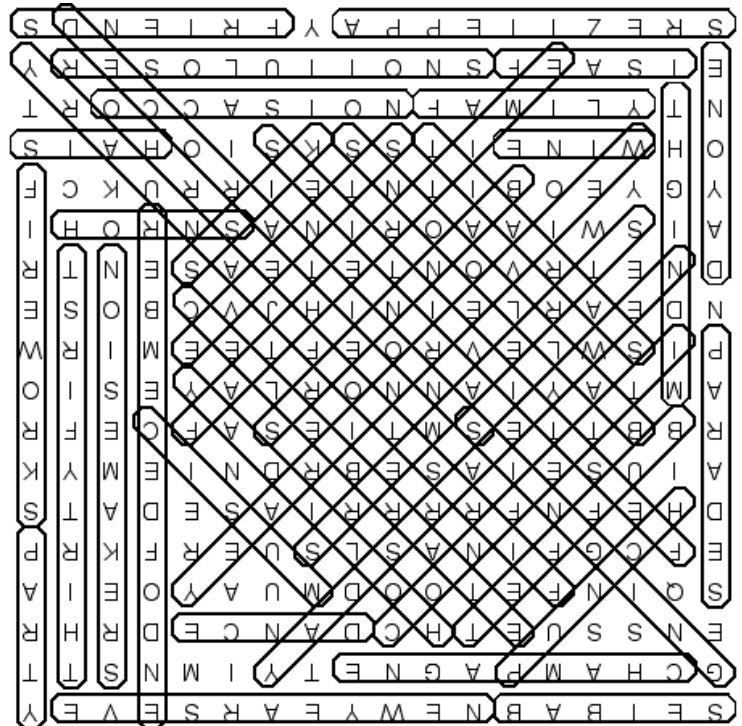
Investments for the year are still down slightly, and so far December not looking good.

An old discrepancy was found in our checking account, so actual checking account balance is \$6,000 less than carried forward through this year.

On a non-related note: I am checking on interest for a superbowl party, watched on the big screen. Let me or Lisa know if interested. It will be fun to watch my Minnesota Vikings win it all.



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TIMES SQUARE IN NEW YORK CITY

CRUISE

by Mary Riordon

February 19-26, 2023, is the scheduled cruise for TOTH members (currently 26 people) going round-trip from Galveston to Roatan, Belize City, and Cozumel.

We will have a meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, in the TOTH library, to discuss transportation to Galveston, our Medallion app, excursions, and other questions.

Our "TOTH group" rep at Princess is Karen Bradder (800-901-1172, ext 41643, 7-3 Pacific time) Our rooms are booked close together on deck 15, the Lido deck (the deck with the buffet)!!



I won't quote prices, but I am available for other questions: 512-260-8876, a landline so NO texting. Come join us!



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Happy New Year

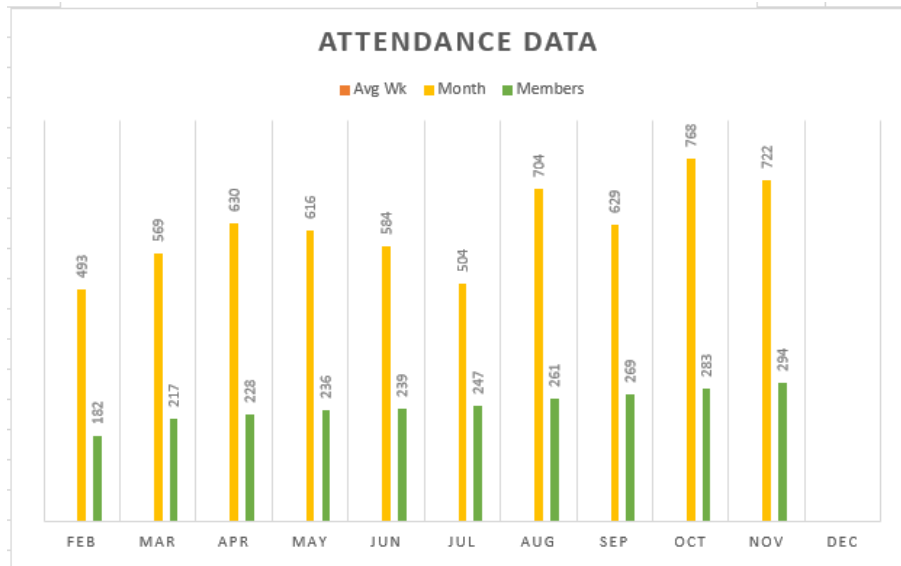
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APPETIZERS	DECORATIONS	HATS	PARADES
BABIES	END OF DECEMBER	HOLIDAY	PARTY
BALLOONS	EVENTS	HORNS	PUNCH
BANNERS	FAMILY	KISS	RESOLUTIONS
BUFFET	FATHER TIME	MIDNIGHT	SINGING
CELEBRATE	FEAST	MUSIC	STREAMERS
CHAMPAGNE	FESTIVITIES	NEW YEARS DAY	THIRTY FIRST
CONFETTI	FIREWORKS	NEW YEARS EVE	TIARAS
DANCE	FIRST OF JANUARY	NOISEMAKERS	WINE
DAY ONE	FRIENDS	OCCASION	YEAR IN REVIEW

ATTENDANCE FACTS AND FIGURES 2022

by Frank Mignoli



LINE DANCING

by Frank Mignoli

Have you made your New Year's resolutions yet? Could one of them be to get more exercise, or maybe lose a few pounds, but still have fun? Well, you can do both those things in just one hour. Come join us for fun and good exercise on Mondays at 11:00 am for Line Dancing. Our excellent instructor, Marylou Mora, makes it so easy, calling out the steps several times before we begin to line dance to the music. She also has an extensive variety of songs to dance to. If you're not sure about the dancing, just stop by and see all the fun we have. It may even make you change your resolution for the new year!



TOTH MEALS

by Pat Fiero

A big shout out to all the Elves that helped make the Christmas Dinner a big success.

The tables were beautifully decorated by several members. A special thank you to Bill Adair for setting up the tables and chairs, and Kai Sami and Frank Mignoli for helping in the kitchen. Barb and Frank Elrod entertained with Christmas music and a Christmas Story, and last but not least, a Super Shout Out to Lisa Leirvaag and Jim Anderson for doing the cleanup. It's like they say, "It takes a village" and our TOTH members are the best!

I am looking forward to preparing breakfast on the last Saturday in January. Look for the sign-up sheet in the lobby in the coming weeks. It really is important that you sign up as soon as possible so I know how much food to purchase. We can always use help on Friday afternoon to set up tables and chairs. I wish you a Happy Healthy New Year!





JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Johnson	05
Natalie Ledbetter	05
Marilyn Hill	07
Dottie Cowan	08
Janice Wohlwend	09
Angie Adams	10
Linda Rettinger	10
Doris Stone	10
Dennis Domanski	12
Di Hollon	13
Nella Easley	14
Lisa Leirvaag	17
Harvey Koerner	18
Toni Maxwell	19
Ellen Fannin	22
Clay Speer	22
Nancy Weller	22
Ken Birdwell	23
Joy Eddy	23
Jerry Thomas	23
Dodie Domanski	25
Ginny Beckley	26
Charles Weimer	26
Kae Carroll	28
Dick Planck	29
Mary Newman	30
Jon Devries	31
Pat Jones	31
Ann Mignoli	31



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Rita and Ron Neff	09
Mary Kate and Harry Woodruff	23
Angie and Derek Adams	29



NEW MEMBERS

Madeleine Boskovitz
 Charlie Reynolds
 Anne Weiss

FROM THE EDITOR

by Barbara Duprey

Happy New Year, everybody!

You'll notice another change to our format this time. With all the new activities (like Hearts on Wednesdays at 9am), we really don't have room to print the 'mini-directory.' That had the phone numbers of all the people who have accepted on-going responsibility for helping to run TOTH and support our activities. Anyone who needs to know one of these phone numbers can get it by calling our main number, 512-331-6000; the receptionist will be glad to look it up.

We owe these people our sincere thanks, they're vital to making our Center function as a place to gather for good times, good company, and good food! And I know they'd all be glad to have you join them. Just add your favorite activity to the list, and take the lead for it if you can.

Please send feedback on the Gazette to bduprey@austin.rr.com.

A hug for you, my friend



Vici MacIntosh
 Georgia White
 Paul Jaqua and Family
 Lois Carlson
 Pat Harlan



Ellen Fannin
 Ed Williams

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ACTIVITIES

Breakfast *: Pat Fiero,
 Frank Mignoli
Salad/Soup *: Frank Mignoli
Meet & Eat *:
 Lisa Chmelar
Golf: Frank Mignoli
Sit & Fit:
 Rich Stone, Pat Fiero
T'ai-chi: Dr. Tom Barrett
Crafts/Jewelry Making *:
 Mary Riordon
Quilting Bee: Cindy Glenn
Line Dancing: Marylou Moya
Mocktails and Hors d'Oeuvres:
 Carolyn White, Pat Thomas
Movie Day: MarEllen Basalyga
Happy Hour:
 MarEllen Basalyga

GAMES

Bingo
 Monday: Barbara Duprey
 Friday: Joe Gleaton
Bunco *: Carolyn White
Canasta *: Bobbie McKissick
Cribbage: Stan DeRocher
Hearts *: Chris Campbell
Mahjong: Georgia White
Mexican Train:
 MarEllen Basalyga
Pinochle: [open]
Poker: Jerry Rubin
'42': Nancy Kingston

BRIDGE

Duplicate Bridge *
 1st & 3rd Tuesday:
 Sheila Perkins
 Friday: Ken Birdwell
 3rd Friday: Joyce Francis
 Saturday: Carolyn Patrick
Intermediate Bridge Class
 Friday: Ken Birdwell
Rubber Bridge *
 Tuesday: Ed Williams,
 Beverly Ball

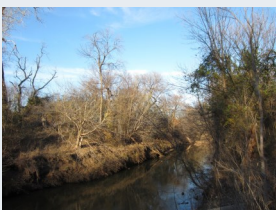
* Signup Required



Contact information for these members is available —
call 512-331-6000.

JANUARY 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
* Signup Required # Signup Required & Pay in Advance	DAILY: 9 ⁰⁰ Sit & Fit 11 ⁰⁰ '42' 11 ⁰⁰ LineDnce 1 ⁰⁰ Cribbage 1 ⁰⁰ Bingo	DAILY: 9 ³⁰ RbrBrdg* 10 ⁰⁰ Canasta* 1 ³⁰ Poker	DAILY: 9 ⁰⁰ Sit & Fit 9 ⁰⁰ Hearts*	DAILY: 10 ⁰⁰ T'ai-chi 11 ⁰⁰ Mahjong 12 ⁰⁰ Quilting 1 ⁰⁰ MexTrain 2 ⁰⁰ Pinochle	DAILY: 9 ⁰⁰ Sit & Fit 10 ⁰⁰ Brdg Cls 10 ³⁰ Bingo 1 ⁰⁰ DupBrdg*	
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8	9 DAILY + 10 ⁰⁰ BOD	10 DAILY 12 ⁰⁰ Soup Day*	11 DAILY	12 DAILY	13 DAILY	14 1 ⁰⁰ DupBrdg*
15	16 DAILY	17 DAILY + 9 ³⁰ DupBrdg* 1 ⁰⁰ Meet & Eat	18 DAILY + 12 ⁰⁰ Care Access Talk* 10 ⁰⁰ Jewelry Making*	19 DAILY	20 DAILY + 9 ⁴⁵ DupBrdg*	21 1 ⁰⁰ Movie Day
22	23 DAILY	24 DAILY	25 DAILY	26 DAILY	27 DAILY	28 9 ⁰⁰ Breakfast Day*
29	30 DAILY	31 DAILY				



Please Remember:
Sign in and out
Sign up for classes and meals

Missing something? Check the Lost and Found!

Gazette Deadline —
17th of each month



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