

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Carolyn White

Happy Valentines Day everyone!! I hope everyone is rested from all the holidays' hustle and bustle. I have some great news to share. As of December 31st, our membership grew to 299 members, and as I write this our membership has grown to over 300 members. I can't tell you how happy that makes me. All our past members that have come back and our new members are making TOTH such a warm and wonderful place to come to. I want to thank all of you who have given your time and talents to our Center.

How do you like the new siding on the building and the new color? The City is doing so much for us. We're getting a new shed and have new outside lights. Everything looks so nice. If you are wondering what is going on with all the work around the parking lot, it is a new gas line going in. They are hoping to not have to disturb our parking lot.

We will have a Black History presentation by Floresa Williams on Wednesday, February 22nd. Mark your calendars for this.

There's talk about a Super Bowl party. It has been decided to have it February 12th starting at 4:45 pm. There will also be games to play for those that don't want to watch all the time. Looking forward to it as it's been a while since we've had one. So mark your calendars and don't forget to sign up for it.

Have any of you tried out the new "Forum" that our Editor Barbara Duprey has put up? Let her know how you feel about it and if you want to get on it, send her your email.

I personally want to thank Lois Birdwell for stepping in and helping us out as Treasurer as our own Denny Clauson is having a few medical problems and will be off for a while. Keep him in your prayers.

As always, I enjoy being your President and I'm looking forward to working with our new Board of Directors. Our Board welcomes any ideas for our Center and we look forward to helping increase our membership.

Stay safe and may your year be filled with good health, happiness, and peace.



VP NOTES by Ellen Fannin

Whether your team is in the Super Bowl or not, or you just like to watch the commercials, or you just want to get together for some cards or games, mark your calendar now for the Super Bowl Party at TOTH!

Sunday, February 12 at 4:45 p.m., we're going to gather to have some fun. The game starts at 5:30 pm, so come early to socialize and enjoy the snacks that everyone will bring.

The football game is the biggest game of the year, so we'll be showing it on the big TV. But the commercials during the Super Bowl can be just as big for some people because it is when companies showcase and "trot out their newest, wildest innovations" that can make for some entertaining ads. So we're planning a game or two around the commercials, and football in general...and there will be prizes! (continued on next page)

VP NOTES

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If you would rather just play cards or other games, there will be tables set up to accommodate all you card/game aficionados.

We're asking everyone to bring their favorite football snack to share and their (non-alcoholic) drink of choice for themselves. The Center will provide coffee and a special Super Bowl punch.

There is a signup sheet in the front office of the Center. So, sign up, plan to come with snack and drink, and get ready to have some fun! And, Happy Valentine's Day to each of you!



FROM THE DIRECTOR by Lisa Leirvaag

The new paint and trim look great. So do the new lights. The city has also promised to put up a new shed. Treasure of the Hills Senior Center is going to look beautiful this spring. We are planning to get new outdoor furniture for the back porch, so members can sit out there, enjoying lovely spring weather, and socialize.

By the way, if you have been wondering about the holes in the ground and the solar panels – that is Atmos. I believe they are working on a gas line. I heard that the New Year's Eve party was a success, even though it was not possible to stream the movie "Spirited" as planned. To avoid this happening again, Denny Clauson, our treasurer (who is currently on sick leave), suggested that we buy DVD's instead of streaming movies, and build up a small DVD library. Members would be able to borrow DVD's for their private use, or they could share one of their favorite movies with us, or even donate it.

There is a good chance that the Tech Pals courses will start up again. We are aiming at February 28th as the startup date. Look for a signup sheet on the bulletin board. Congratulations to Pat Fiero and Phyllis Walker! They were elected as "Volunteers of the Year 2022." Ladies, you are awesome, and we are so fortunate to have you as members.

Talking about awesome ladies, Lois Birdwell consented to fill in as treasurer while Denny Clauson is gone. Thank you, Lois!

DON'T FORGET!

2023 membership dues are due

no later than Feb 15th

TOTH BOARD NOTES

by Ann Mignoli Lois Birdwell will be the temporary Treasurer while Denny Clauson is ill. She will check the Bylaws for the composition of a Finance Committee.

Keep your eyes on the bulletin board for details of a Super Bowl Party on 2/12/23.

The Board approved increasing the facility cleaning to twice a week.

An investigation is being conducted for a service to clean the carpets and chairs.

The City is providing a new shed.

Discussion of the Forum Support Program on the TOTH website was tabled until the next meeting.

The Board approved adjusting Lisa's salary.





Can You Relate?

My wife and I were waiting at an assisted living facility to visit her aunt. I indicated a couple at the other end of the room and said, 'That's us in twenty years!' She looked at me and said, 'Jack, that's a mirror!'

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Lois Birdwell for Denny Clauson Income for December was \$2,294.39 and expenses were \$3,008.12, resulting in a loss of \$713.73.

The main source of income was rent from the church of \$1,700, and there were no unusual expenses. Income will increase in January and February due to Membership Dues.

Our investments decreased in value by \$4,362.42.



CRUISE by Mary Riordon Cruisers on the Ruby Princess:

The TOTH cruise group will have a meeting in our library on February 8th at 11 am.

We have agreed to charter a bus and have Ellen Fannin make us matching t-shirts. The Medallion app needs to be added to your cell phone. It includes our dining info and activity schedules, and will open our door as we get close to our cabin. Call me at 512-260-8876 for any questions.

February 19th will be here before we know it!!



JEWELRY MAKING CLASS by Mary Riordon

The jewelry gang continues to meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 10 am in the TOTH library. Our guru, Connie, will have more ideas for our "creative juices." Come check us out



LOST AND FOUND

by Lisa Leirvaag There have been quite a few items in our Lost and Found for a long time. If they are not picked up by the end of February, they will be donated to Goodwill or thrown away.

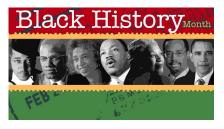


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CULTURE DAY

by Frank Mignoli

Floresa Williams will host Culture Day on Wednesday, February 22nd at noon. She'll make a short presentation on Black History after we have dined on Shrimp or Chicken Gumbo, accompanied by the usual bread, drinks and dessert. The cost for this "Special Event" will be \$5. Please sign up now so we'll know how much food to prepare. Thanks!



In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it

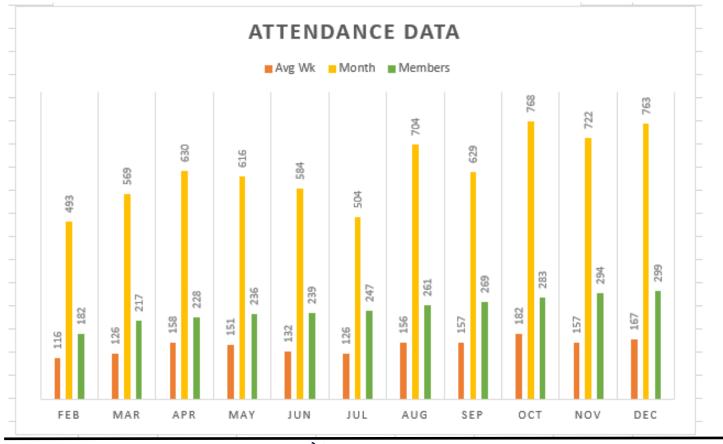
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ATTENDANCE FACTS AND FIGURES 2022

by Frank Mignoli

First of all I would like to thank all of the members for signing in and out so diligently during the year. This provided the information to develop the "Facts and Figures." This is the last article in this series. So to complete this final article, data will be provided for December 2022 and yearly averages. The average weekly attendance in December was 167. (This even with 2 holidays during the month!) The attendance for the month was 743. The membership rose another 5 in December to 299.

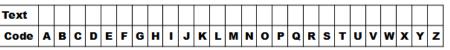
The membership increased during 2022 from 182 in February to 299 in December, an increase of over 64%. The average monthly attendance had a low in February of 493 and a high of 768 in October, the month with the most days without a holiday. The lowest average weekly attendance was 116 in February and the highest was 182 in October, as expected. The highest attendance during the week was on Fridays with an average attendance of over 42 per day for the year.



DID YOU KNOW? There are two ways to get the Gazette at virtually no cost to TOTH the PDF attached to a Blast sent to every member email address we know, and from our website, toth-seniors.com. The site generally gets the new issue about the 24th or 25th of the previous month, and you can look at it on any browser. Besides being able to see older issues, too, you can adjust the magnification for easier reading! Enjoy.



CRYPTOGRAM — Determine the plain text letter represented by each code letter to read the quotation. (Solution on page 5)



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TOTH FORUM

by Barbara Duprey

I'm looking forward to seeing people get involved in conversations on the forums, including former members who might rejoin us, and those who have too much going on during our business hours to participate at the Center. Like email, the forums work in your own time, though one of the possibilities is setting up a time to meet here. As long as there's no conflict with scheduled activities, getting together can be on a pretty much ad-hoc basis.

Katie, our webmaster, has set up several top-level topics for us, and we'd be happy to add more as interest develops. All of us can work from these to post comments either at the top, or under any existing relevant post. I've added brief explanations of use to get things started, but these are just a beginning and not meant to restrict what's out there. As I've said before, we just need to keep things clean, civil, and away from contentious topics.

In addition to the General Discussion topic, which is wide open, here are some thoughts on the others.

Books: Do you have a book to recommend for a 'Book Club' type discussion? What are your favorite genres? Who are your favorite authors? Do you have books you'd like to give away? All of these, and more book-related posts, are welcome here.

Movies: Do you have a movie to recommend for the TOTH Movie Day? What are your favorite genres? Do you particularly like certain actors or directors? All of these, and other movie-related discussions, are welcome here.

Pictures: Would you like to see or post pictures from TOTH events? If there's a subtopic for that event, you can browse through what's there or post your own pictures from it. If not, you can start one, and post your pictures — others are then welcome to post theirs for that event. Or just post general pictures related to the facility or our activities.

Remember When: This is a good place to get nostalgic! Whatever memories from TOTH's history, your own, or old shows or whatever that have remained in your memory, feel free to talk about them here.

Restaurants: What are your favorite cuisines? Do you have recommendations for Meet & Eat locations or places other members might want to add to their list of restaurants to check out? This is a good place to talk about them.



Come help us build our community! Just let me know if you want a login ID.

CALENDAR NOTES

- Line dance classes are currently on hold, Mary Moya has family obligations to attend to.
- The theme for Mocktails and Hors d'Oeuvres, on the 8th at 2 pm, is Valentine's Day.
- There is a Superbowl Party on Sunday the 12th at 4:45 pm.
- Meet & Eat on the 21st at 1 pm is at the Cedar Park BJ's Restaurant, 1001 E. Whitestone Blvd.
- The Culture Day presentation, on the 22nd at 12 noon, will be about Black History.



(Solution to Cryptogram on page 4)

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One of the most striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat has only nine lives.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis and Dodie Domanski	03
Roger and Evelyn Diamond	04
Harvey and Jo Koerner	12
Janice and David Hinojosa	22
Greg and Renay Lenz	24
Cheryl and Joe Case	25
Warren and Patti Klein	29

OOPS! Missing Recognitions: Connie Lane's birthday was on 1/21 Connie and Jim Lane's anniversary was on 12/6 APOLOGIES!



NEW MEMBERS

Yvonne Hale Dori Hawks Lillie Heim Pam Jernigan Warren and Patti Klein Lisa Scheuplein

RETURNING MEMBERS

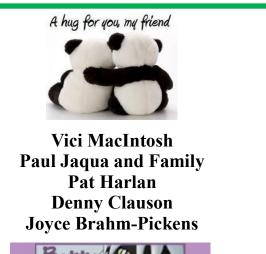
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FROM THE EDITOR

by Barbara Duprey I've done a lot of talking elsewhere in this issue, so I really don't have anything to say here except to add my congratulations to our Volunteers of the Year for 2022, Pat Fiero and Phyllis Walker. Our volunteers are the lifeblood of TOTH, and they've certainly played a big role in our success! I'm sure we'll have more great folks to recognize in 2023.

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





Georgia White Lois Carlson

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GOLDEN GAZETTE

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OPERATIONS

Building Maintenance: Carolyn White Kitchen Mgr: Lisa Leirvaag Supplies: Carolyn White Membership: Jeanne Allison Receptionists: Mary Riordon Memorials: Jan Clark Sunshine: Jan Clark **Setup: Carolyn White Memorial Garden:** Lisa Leirvaag **Communications:** Lisa Leirvaag Historian: Ruby Banks, **Gail Brennen Library: Ruby Banks**



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, Sheila Perkins 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.

FEBRUARY 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
* Signup Required # Signup Required & Pay in Advance	DAILY: 9 ⁰⁰ Sit & Fit 11 ⁰⁰ '42' 1 ⁰⁰ Cribbage 1 ⁰⁰ Bingo	<i>DAILY:</i> 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	<i>DAILY:</i> 9 ⁰⁰ Sit & Fit 10 ⁰⁰ Brdg CIs 10 ³⁰ Bingo 1 ⁰⁰ DupBrdg*	
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12 4 ⁴⁵ Super Bowi Party	<i>13</i> DAILY + 10 ⁰⁰ BOD	14 DAILY + 12 ⁰⁰ Soup Day*	15 DAILY + 10 ⁰⁰ Jewelry Making*	16 DAILY	17 DAILY + 9 ⁴⁵ DupBrdg*	<i>18</i> 1 ⁰⁰ Movie Day
19	20 Closed for Presidents' Day	21 DAILY + 9 ³⁰ DupBrdg* 1 ⁰⁰ Meet & Eat*	22 DAILY + 12 ⁰⁰ Culture Day*	23 DAILY	24 DAILY	25 9 ⁰⁰ Breakfast Day*
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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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