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TOTH to Host a “Starry Night” Senior “Senior Prom”

Get out those dancing’ shoes and start practicing those moves, ‘cause Treasure of the Hills Senior Center is having their first Senior “Senior Prom.”

On Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., we will be dancing the night away. The theme for the prom is “Starry Night,” and we’ll be dancing to big band, country and oldies music, as well as other fun songs, provided by the talented DJ, Brickhouse Mama. We’ll even have some line dancing instruction and learn how to do the new dance fad sweeping the nation’s senior living facilities, “Chair Dancing.”

There will be the proverbial punch (But, please no spiking it! Our insurance won’t cover it!), along with sodas and plenty of bottled water. There will be delicious finger foods and snacks to munch on, and even a place to take some memorable photos.

Formal dress is optional, but it will make it so much more fun if you dress for the occasion. And, if you like to dress up, this is an opportunity to do so. Just be sure to wear comfortable shoes for dancing!

It promises to be a fun night with the music we can dance to and it will remind us of the fun we had (or should have had) back in high school.

Where did Proms originate?

The origin of proms dates back to 19th century England when they had Concert Promenades where people walked around inside large buildings and listened to classical music. There were no chairs for some reason. People came to listen to the orchestra or band and to show off their clothes.

Proms, short for promenade, have been popular for years at high schools and universities in the United States. The origin of adult prom is unclear, though two events which occurred in the 1990s are likely to have inspired the concept.

Actress Drew Barrymore stated in a late 1990s interview on “Late Night with Conan O’Brien” that she threw a prom party for herself and a few friends who never got to go to prom.

The Class of 1956 from Tenafly, New Jersey, whose prom was canceled at the time, due to “surreptitious beer drinking by some (seniors) during an excursion to New York City,” held their own prom for their 35 Year Reunion in 1991.

In the *Nobody’s Property* novel series, character Mallorie Walcott, an event planner, mentions that she helped put her younger daughter through college, in part, from the revenue she made from planning adult proms in the 1990s either for people who missed their actual high school proms in the 1970s and 1980s or simply wanted to re-live their prom night.



Leading up to the Senior “Senior Prom,” we will be hosting a Silent Auction. Bidding starts on Wednesday, May 1st and ends at 7:00 p.m. at the Prom. Bidding sheets and descriptions are posted on the bulletin boards in the hallway. Bidding is done in \$1 increments. Winners will be announced during the Prom.

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President's Message

By Ellen Fannin

In the past few weeks, we have had a couple of meetings with the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Cedar Park. TOTH is under the umbrella of Parks & Rec.

The first meeting was with Mike DeVito, Assistant Parks & Rec Director, and the consulting firm working with the City on the Parks Master Plan for the future.

The second meeting was with Josh Rodrigue, Recreational Director, to discuss how the City and TOTH might work more closely on activities and events.

At both meetings, the City representatives listened carefully to the needs and ideas around the Senior Center. And, at both meetings, there was a consensus that the City is interested in deepening our relationship with them.

We were able to express what we felt our greatest needs to be. One of them was transportation. There is a desire from many members to participate in day trips and outings where some form of group transportation would not only be desirable, but necessary.

Josh Rodrigue brainstormed with us on some possible trips for later in the year with the City assisting with transportation. Some of the ideas were a tour of some area vineyards, a trip to Johnson City to see the Christmas lights, shopping trips and theatre nights.

We also talked about expanding some of the activities that could possibly include a water aerobics class for seniors this summer at the pool next door.

It's exciting to see what might develop as a result of these discussions. We are always open to your suggestions and would love to hear from you.

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Denny Clauson, *Board Treasurer*

- **March Income: \$3,882**
- **March Expenses: \$3,294**
- **Investments in March increased by \$7,101**
- **Total investments now exceed \$315,000**

Memorial Day

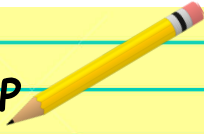
Remember & Honor

Treasure of the Hills
Senior Center
offices will be closed on
Monday, May 27
in observance
of Memorial Day.

Vice Versa

Insights from the VP

By Chris Campbell, Board Vice President



Our Senior "Senior Prom" will be here before we know it! Several details were worked out at the last Board Meeting that Prom attendees will want to know about. Saturday, May 18th, 5:00 to 8:00, as reported in the previous Gazette, is still the correct date and times. There was some discussion about the venue, as at least one offer was made to take it "off-campus" (see what I did there?) but it was decided to keep it at TOTH. Formal wear is optional. Prommy - if that's even a word - dress-up is very much encouraged, but no one should feel that they shouldn't come if, like me, you can't fit into the same clothes as you did at age 18. The class bully isn't going to make fun of you for wearing your Sunday clothes.

Theme? We went through several permutations before deciding upon "Starry Night." This was almost rejected since it won't even be fully dark by 8:00. And, "Rock Around the Clock" seemed overstated for a three-hour event. My senior class song in 1975 was Alice Cooper's "School's Out." For some reason, that was swiftly rejected in our meeting. Decorations will reflect the theme, so if you have any ideas on that score, contact me at cecema@earthlink.net or find me at the puzzle table and I will pass them on to the committee.

Music? Big Band Jazz (think "In The Mood") and 60s music was decided upon as the mainstay. If folks want to suggest other styles or specific songs, suggestions are welcome. We might even slip in your favorite Justin Bieber song with a sufficient bribe. Good luck with that.

Food? Still in committee, but pizza was talked about. Punch, of course. Finger food (no fingers were harmed in the making of our finger food) is likely. Again, suggestions are welcome. Keeping it fairly light, so the dance floor won't become a mess. You know, crumbs and stuff.

Bottom line: Be prepared to have fun! Remember, TOTH is an alcohol-free and gun-free campus, so leave your Southern Comfort and your raccoon rifle in the pickup, Slim. Looking forward to seeing you all there!



From the Director

By Lisa Leirvaag

◆ If you are using a walker or a wheelchair, it might now be easier to use the east side entrance of the building. The City installed a brand-new double entry door and threshold in April.

◆ The City also started to build new sidewalks. One will lead along the east side of the building and connect to the sidewalk passing our shed. The construction might be done by May, but if not, you will know what is causing the noise.

◆ The Bradford Pear trees on the south side of the building are gone. Their roots had become entangled with the water line and caused a leak.

Those three trees were planted in 1997 in memory of John Rogers, Charles Glace and Leonard Carlson, and a memorial service was held on Sunday afternoon, October 26, 1997 to dedicate the trees to the three stalwarts. Although the trees are gone, the plaques with the names are still there, firmly anchored in the ground, and they will not be removed. They are there to remind us of the outstanding service and the many contributions of those three men to Treasure of the Hills.

In addition to serving as Chair of the Finance Committee, John Rogers was instrumental in organizing the Saturday Breakfast at TOTH, officially called "John Roger's Saturday Breakfast". John Rogers died in 1996.

Charles Glace joined TOTH in 1991 and served as president for two years. He was president in 1996 when he died of cancer in September.

Leonard Carlson was a member of the Building Committee. He and his wife, Lois, helped start the center. Leonard died in 1995.

So, next time you admire the new pots and plants, look at the plaques as well. The trees are gone. But thanks to the efforts of Leonard, Charles and John, our Center is alive and thriving.

◆ Did you know that Treasure of the Hills Senior Center became incorporated on May 10, 1990?

Happy 34th Anniversary, TOTH!



Board Notes

By Zane Lowenstein, Board Secretary

The TOTH Board of Directors met on April 8, 2024 and by vote approved the following actions:

- The purchase of additional pots and foliage to augment those installed at the front of TOTH to replace the Bradford Pear trees whose roots were interfering with water lines.
- The Board approved up to \$3,000 for the purchase of a new outdoor BBQ grill.
- A website redesign which will require contracting with a business that offers design and on-going monthly maintenance services. Becky Goad has been tasked to lead the project. She has received one bid and will solicit two more.
- The Board approved the establishment of a Non-Standing Membership Committee, with Frank Mignoli as Chair.
- The Board approved the Bylaws Review Committee's proposed changes to the Bylaws that will be presented to the membership for a vote of approval at the TOTH July 4th celebration to be held on July 3rd.
- The Board of Directors is reminding TOTH members that the Board's meetings are open to any members who wish to attend as observers. The next Board of Directors meeting will be on May 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Great Room.

TOTH HISTORY—25 YEARS AGO

Twenty-five years ago, the following article ran in the May 1999 issue of The Golden Gazette.

Addition a "Go!"

The Building Committee presented their findings and recommendation for an addition to the Treasure of the Hills Senior Center at the Monday, April 10th luncheon. The proposed 861 sq. ft. addition will extend from the closet end of the Great Room towards the street and connect to the patio with double doors. The cost will be under \$45,000, with carpeting and P.A. system the only amenities not included in the price. Following a question and answer period from the floor, a vote was taken—with 49 in favor, and 23 against.




by Constable Jeff Anderson

The following safety tips are provided by Jeff Anderson, Williamson County Constable, Precinct 2, as a public service for the safety of all citizens in our area. To learn more about Jeff, visit the Wilco website, <https://www.wilcotx.gov/398/Precinct-Two>.

When You Are Away

- Lock up your home, even if you go out only for a short time. Many burglars just walk in through an unlocked door or window.
- Your house should always appear occupied. Use timers to switch lights and radios on and off when you are not at home.
- Before turning your house key over to a professional house cleaner for several hours, check all references thoroughly. Call your local Better Business Bureau to check on the firm's reputation.
- Do not leave notes for service people or family members on the outside of the door. These act as a welcome mat for a burglar.
- Burglars always look for signs that a house is uninhabited. Adjust your telephone ring to its lowest volume. An unanswered phone is a quick tip that your home is empty.
- If your plans to be away from home have been publicized through Facebook, twitter, or word of mouth, hire a house sitter. Burglars often read social media to see who is planning to be away from home.
- Ask your neighbors to use your garbage cans when you are on vacation, so your absence will not be so evident.



Jewelry Making

By Mary Riordon

1st & 3rd Wednesday • 10:00AM • TOTH Library

Instructor led

2nd & 4th Wednesday • 10:00AM • TOTH Library

Work on your own

Be sure to sign-up for either class in the front office reception area.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May Shared Meals

Members and friends are invited to join us for any of these events. Please remember that reservations are required! You can register in the front office of the Center or call 512-331-6000.

TOTH Dinner Club

Thursday, May 2 at 6:00 p.m.
The Lucky Rabbit (Live Music, Bar & Kitchen)
18626 FM 1431
Jonestown, TX 78645

“Meet & Eat” Lunch Group

Tuesday, May 14 at 1:00 p.m.
Blue Corn Harvest
11840 Heroes Way
Leander, TX

Monthly Breakfast

Saturday, May 25 at 9:00 a.m.
TOTH Senior Center Great Room
(\$5/members; \$6/guests. Make reservation in advance.)

May Presentations

Each month, the Center offers presentations on topics that can help you in your day-to-day life, as well as being fun and informative. Lunch is often provided free. Reservations are desired, especially when a meal is served. Register in the front office of the Center or call 512-331-6000.

Frauds and Scams

Wednesday, May 1st at 12:00 noon
TOTH Senior Center Great Room

Join Barbara Shaffer, Vice President and Business Development Officer with RBank as she gives us tips on how to recognize and avoid scams and frauds. A light lunch will be provided. Sign up in advance in the front office.

Mother’s Day Reception and TOTH Anniversary Celebration

Wednesday, May 8 at 12:00 noon
TOTH Senior Center Great Room

We have two important events to celebrate this month, so we decided to combine them.

The Mother’s Day Reception is honoring all the mother’s at TOTH. It will be a “Mini-Tea” with light finger foods and tea.

The Articles of Incorporation for Treasure of the Hills Senior Center were filed on May 9, 1990. That makes us 34 years old. We will have a birthday cake to coincide with the Mother’s Day Reception.



A dark blue poster with white stars. The text reads: "Senior Senior Prom 'Starry Night' SATURDAY, May 18 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Music & Dancing Light Snacks".

The Benefits of Parks & Recreation in Our Community

Wednesday, May 22nd at 12:00 noon
TOTH Senior Center Great Room

Josh Rodrigue, Recreation Manager for Parks & Recreation of Cedar Park, will present “The Benefits of Parks and Recreation in Our Community” at a noon Lunch & Learn session on Wednesday, May 22nd. He will focus on how parks and leisure make life better for all ages here in Cedar Park. Josh comes to us with almost a decade in recreation services and a passion to see people smile. A (free) light lunch will be provided. Sign up in advance.

Membership Survey Results

By Becky Goad, Board Member

In February 2024, the Board of Directors developed a Membership Survey that was distributed to approximately 310 members. A total of 90 responses were submitted in response to the survey in which 70 members completed the survey online; the other 20 were submitted via hard copy.

Below is a brief summary of the Members' answers that the Board is analyzing.

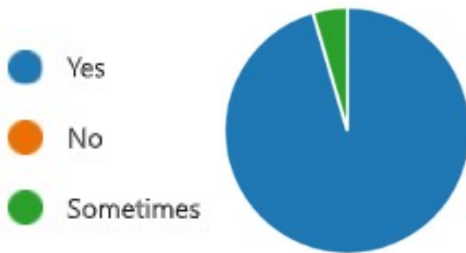
- Demographics: 83% were over age 70, 74% were female, and 74% had been members more than five years
- Smartphone and/or computer used daily: 95%
- Communications preference by email and/or text: 96%
- Member activity level: Active volunteer or participates from 1-3 times a week: 67%
- Satisfied members with the Center: 93%
- At least 20% listed the main reason to attend the center are for social reasons, luncheons/dining events, or games/cards

- Nearly 50% stated they would like additional educational opportunities & classes, fitness activities and more variety of special groups
- Over half are interested in starting short trips or outings, i.e., field trips, theatre events, sporting events, cruises, and shopping trips
- Over 35% interested in participating in virtual classes or presentations

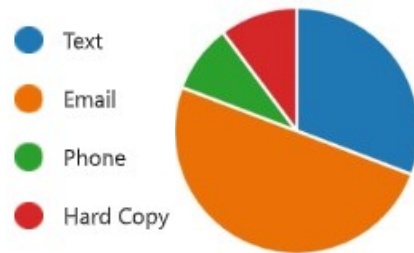
There was a large response from members that expressed some of the following suggestions and comments: develop mentoring program, update website/newsletter, provide membership directory. A small response included interest in volunteering our Center's short-term projects or special events; and only 10 members submitted their names to be contacted to assist in the Center.

The Board of Directors was grateful to receive so many responses with numerous suggestions and suggestions for additional activities and events. We are considering the next steps to fulfill the membership's feedback. So, stay alert – we will be updating you as we continue to improve our Center.

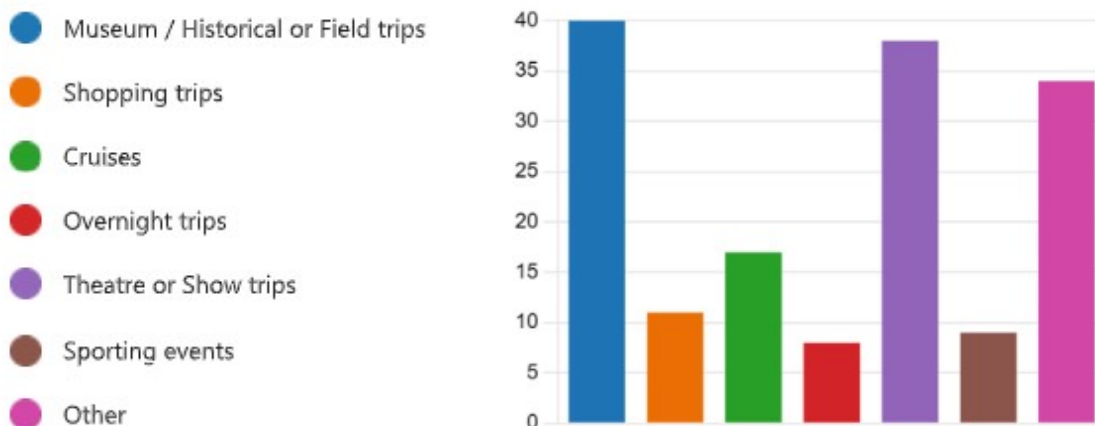
Smartphone and/or Computer Used Daily



Preferred Form of Communication



Preferences for Senior Group Trips



Graphs indicate the responses of the 90 members who completed the survey.



The BCH (Books in the Cedar Hills) Book Club will meet on Friday, May 24 at 10:00 a.m. in the Puzzle Room. The book for the month of May is *Wishful Drinking*, an autobiography by Carrie Fisher.

From the Amazon review: “In *Wishful Drinking*, Carrie Fisher tells the true and intoxicating story of her life with inimitable wit. Born to celebrity parents, she was picked to play a princess in a

little movie called *Star Wars* when only 19 years old. ‘But it isn’t all sweetness and light sabers.’

“Alas, aside from a demanding career and her role as a single mother (not to mention the hyper-space hairdo), Carrie also spends her free time battling addiction, weathering the wild ride of manic depression and lounging around various mental institutions.”

Come join the discussion about this book. It is available on Audible, with Carrie Fisher narrating. It is also available on Kindle, hardcover and paperback.



UPDATE ON THE 2024 SENIOR EXPO

We had a great Volunteer & Planning Meeting on April 10 with 15+ people participating. We also had two representatives from the YMCA, Tanya Williams, Engagement Specialist, and Amy Zarate, Membership Director. At the meeting, we discussed the many opportunities available to help with the Expo. Below is a list of all the teams which includes the names of TOTH members who have already volunteered.

There are still lots of openings for additional folks. If you are interested in helping with the Senior Expo, either prior to the event or the day of the event, drop us an email at expo.toth@gmail.com. If you are not sure where you would like to help, stop by the front office at the Center and pick up a booklet with descriptions of all the different teams. We would love to have you join us!

- Vendor Reception Team**—Sandy Williams, Chair; Lisa Leirvaag; MarEllen Basalyga.....Need 1 or 2
- Breakroom Coordinator**—Ann Mignoli, Chair; Maggie Ingraham
- Sponsor Coordinator**—.....1 or 2 volunteers needed
- Door Prize Team**—Gail Brennen, Chair; Lynn Moynihan.....2-3 additional volunteers needed
- Welcome Table Team**—Chair Person needed; Sue Holmes; Sandy Williams; George & John DeMarines; Cindy Glenn; Al & Zane Lowenstein.....Possible add’l needed
- Greeters**—Chair still needed; Jim Anderson.....1 or 2 add’l volunteers needed
- Floater**—Chris Campbell, Chair; Lori Rainey2 to 4 volunteers needed
- Evaluations Team** – Frank Mignoli, ChairAdd’l volunteers needed
- TOTH Table** – MarEllen Basalyga, Chair; Lori Rainey 6+ volunteers needed
- Goodie Bag Team** – Chair still needed; Pat Thomas; Sue Holmes.....Add’l volunteers needed
- Set-Up/Breakdown Team** – Darrel Docking, chair; J.C. Henderson.....2 or 3 volunteers needed
- Emcee** – Becky Goad.....1 or 2 volunteers needed
- Communications/Phone Team** – Sandy Williams, Chair; Pat Thomas.....2 to 4 volunteers needed
- Publicity Team** – Midge Norris, Chair.....Add’l volunteers needed
- Signage Team** –3 to 4 volunteers needed

2024 Senior Expo:
Saturday, October 5 • 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. • Twin Lakes Family YMCA



NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

For February 15-April 15, 2024

Annie Berry

Joined on March 5, 2024

Annie drove by the Center one day and went home and look us up. She says, "My husband retired and I needed to get out of the house." Annie loves playing card and board games, watching movies, reading and volunteering.



net for a senior center close by and found TOTH. He loves HO model trains, especially steam locomotives. He is also a fan of live musical theater and local travel.

Amy Hubert

Joined on February 8, 2024

Amy heard about TOTH from some friends who attend the Quilting group, and that was all the motivation she needed to join. She obviously likes sewing, but also enjoys other crafts, music and theater.



Bob & Rita DePaola

Joined on March 19, 2024

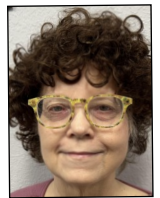
Bob and Rita were looking for a group that has activities and happened to run into the "Meet & Eat" group at one of their lunches. They joined TOTH that very day. They are very interested in day trips, cruising and making new friends.



Vicki C. Jones

Joined on February 13, 2024

Vicki lives in the neighborhood and was familiar with TOTH. She came to join wanting more fellowship. She enjoys reading, movies, dominoes and poker. She does profess to have a weird sense of humor, so she'll fit right in.



Delia Edgson

Joined on March 12, 2024

Delia's daughter had found TOTH and encouraged her to join. Delia was looking to spend more time socializing and participating in activities outside her home. She loves playing cards, crocheting and doing crafts. She also is great at repairing things.



Linda Rhea

Joined on February 9, 2023

Linda heard about TOTH from a friend and decided to check it out since she wanted to meet new people. She is also very interested in learning some new card and domino games.



Kathleen (Katy) Frederick

Joined on February 23, 2024

Katy and her husband moved to the area 2 1/2 years ago and she has spent that time caring for her husband who had Lewy Body Dementia. When he passed a few months ago she knew she needed to find someplace to get involved and found TOTH on Google. She is a quilter, loves games, including bridge and is open to learning new things.



Pam & Tom Rohrer

Joined on February 27, 2024

Tom and Pam were looking for a Senior Center when they found TOTH. Both being bridge players, they found a home here. In addition to bridge, their other interests are stained glass, their dogs and their grandchildren.



Sterling Hartman

Joined on April 5, 2024

Sterling cared of his wife for 22 years after she had a stroke. She passed in April 2023. He was checking the inter-



David Rothschild

Joined on March 19, 2024

David's friend, Jim Hurley, brought him to TOTH. He was looking for things to

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do and is in search of new interests. He likes football, but wants to broaden his horizons. Oh, and he loves to laugh. Almost everything makes him laugh.

Additional New Members

Rosa A. Castillo

Joined on February 26, 2024

Jeannie Diamond

Joined on February 27, 2024

Jim Hurley

Joined on March 19, 2024

Susan Miller

Joined on March 6, 2024

Elizabeth (Anne) Odom

Joined on February 13, 2024

Thank You! Thank You!

We have some very special members who often donate bottles of water and money for candy/chocolate for the goodie basket in the office. We want to extend a very special “Thank You!” for your thoughtfulness. We truly appreciate you and your efforts!

Bylaws Update Requires Membership Approval

by Al Lowenstein

Substantial updates to TOTH’s Bylaws were approved by TOTH’s Board of Directors at their April 8th meeting. Bylaws revisions must be approved by the membership at large before they can become effective. For this purpose a meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 3rd, immediately preceding the July 4th luncheon.

COMPREHENSIVE OVERHAUL

Although the Bylaws have been revised on numerous occasions since they were adopted in May, 1990, this is the first time they have been subjected to a comprehensive overhaul.

A Bylaws Review Committee was established by the board in September 2023, with Al Lowenstein as Chair and members Pat Thomas and Ann Mignoli. The committee met several times over the ensuing months, interacting with the Board at numerous board meetings before consensus was reached on all topics.

New Groups Forming

Retired psychotherapist Felica Gledhill is interested in forming a support group for caregivers who are the main care and support person for a loved one. The group would provide a setting where they could openly discuss and share their experiences with others who have similar demands on their lives. The group would meet once a week for six weeks, and would be free. If you are interested in participating in this type of group, please call the Center at 512-331-6000 and have your name added to a list.



Would you be interested in a group that provides various types of puzzles to solve? Maybe you would like to share your favorite puzzle types and sources for online and offline solving? Are there any types of puzzles you enjoy constructing? Members could help each other with solving tips and other puzzle resource they have found interesting or helpful.

A new Puzzle Group is forming and there will be a planning meeting on Thursday, May 23 at 2:30 p.m. at the Center. If this type of group sounds like fun to you, please come join us.

COPIES AVAILABLE IN EARLY JUNE

The proposed revised Bylaws, with changes annotated, will be distributed to the membership via email “blast” in early June, with a print version mailed to members who have requested mail in preference to email. Paper copies will also be available for viewing at the Receptionist’s desk.

Members are urged to review these changes beforehand. Proposed changes may be made from the floor at the meeting. A member proposing a change should bring the exact verbiage of the change to the meeting, citing the specific article and section to be modified, and should be prepared to present the change in the form of a motion.

The Bylaws Review Committee is also tasked with overhauling TOTH’s Policies and Procedures manual. That effort is ongoing.

May Birthdays

Floresa Williams	2	Barb Clauson	11	Ann Marie Logrippo	18
Jaime De la Torre	6	Elaine Allan	12	Tom Rohrer	21
Sue Chesnut	9	Irene Berkel	12	Arlene O'Brien	22
George DeMarines	9	Rae Tregilgas	15	Mary Hartsell	26
Kay Binger	11			Ruby Banks	29

May Anniversaries

Cindy & Peter Klein	16
Carolyn & Roger Patrick	19
Danielle & Jaime De la Torre	25
Zane & Al Lowenstein	25
Mary & Ken Riordon	27

Please notify the TOTH office when any of your contact information changes so that we can keep the database up to date.

Hugs & Sunshine

The following members of TOTH need some hugs and a little more sunshine in their lives. Each of them has gone through, and may be still going through, a rough patch physically. Our thoughts are with them.

Carol Hastings

Jo Koerner

Kay Binger

Janet MacFarland

Floresa Williams

Her daughter had her surgery on April 9th and it went well. Floresa is grateful for all the prayers.

Dodie & Dennis Domanski

Things I'm Super Good At

1. Forgetting someone's name 10 seconds after they tell me.
2. Buying produce...and throwing it away two weeks later.
3. Digging through the trash for the food box I just tossed because I already forgot the directions.
4. Making plans, then immediately regretting making plans.
5. Leaving laundry in the dryer until it wrinkles, then turning on the dryer to de-wrinkle. Then forgetting it again.
6. Calculating how much sleep I'll get if I can just "fall asleep ring NOW."

FREE

BOB FM 103.5

CEDAR PARK PARKS & RECREATION

Live @ Lakeline

Enjoy local bands at Lakeline Park

April 12.....Hair Metal Giants

April 26.....Honey Made

May 10.....The South Austin Moonlighters

May 31.....American Gypsy Band

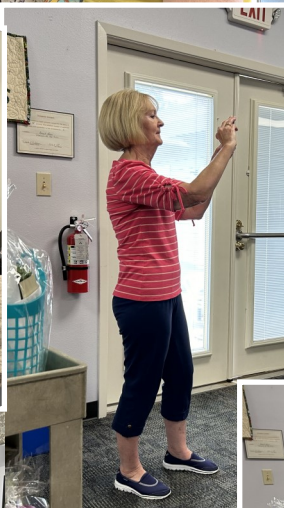
6:30 pm

1510 Alexis Dr., Cedar Park
cedarparktexas.gov/live

Bring your own food and drink
No glass containers
Beer and wine available for purchase.

Photo Gallery: Spring Fling

April 13, 2024



Thank you to Rosa Din and her team who hosted the Spring Fling on Saturday, April 13! We are grateful to everyone who contributed and for all the hard work that went into the event! Family and friends all enjoyed it!

Congratulations to the Spring Fling Raffle Winners!

- Becky Goad - \$25 gift card & Gift Basket
- George DeMarines. - 2 x \$5 gift cards and T-shirt
- Anita Eaton - \$20 Thundercloud Subs gift card
- Beatrice Harper - Tea Pot & Gift Basket
- Lori Rainey - Gift basket
- MarEllen Basalyga - Gift basket



Photo Gallery: Solar Eclipse Watch Party

April 8, 2024

Thirty-plus people gathered in the TOTH parking lot to watch the spectacular solar eclipse. We were all wearing our eclipse glasses donated by PEC.



Recycled Teenager Return from Cruise

From April 20th to 28th, 11 of us “Recycled Teenagers” (all TOTH members) enjoyed the 8-day cruise on the Carnival Dream. The ports we visited included Key West, Freeport and Nassau in the Bahamas, and a private island owned by the cruise line.

We all had such a great time and we wanted to share some of the highlights with you.

First, we were thrilled that our former board president, Carolyn White, joined us. She moved to Conroe, TX a year ago, and it was great to see her again and have her join us.

Next, we were blessed with the #1 Cruise Director in the Carnival line, Andy “You’ve Got a Friend in Me” Mercer. He was incredibly engaging, fun and personable.

The food and the entertainment were wonderful. The games were great fun! Becky, Ellen and Ann M. won at some of the trivia games. The music in all the different venues was wonderful.

Several of us were regulars at the piano bar. We met some new friends all along the way, and we enjoyed different excursions and shopping.

The highlight of the cruise was the “Love & Marriage” Show, where Andy got three couples up on stage for this game show. The first couple he was looking for was who had been married the longest. Our own Frank & Ann Mignoli were chosen since they had been married for 61 years.

The ensuing questions asked of the three couples kept us all rolling in the aisles, but little did we know what comedians our Ann and Frank were. You need to have them share their experience. They were instant ship celebrities and even signed a few autographs and posed for photos.

We had a wonderful time, and now we’re planning an Alaskan cruise in 2025. Start saving your pennies, nickels and dollars! You don’t want to miss that one! Watch for information in the very near future and come join the fun!

Photo Gallery: Recycled Teenager Cruise



Dinner the first night on the ship



Tea time with the ladies



Key West beauty and the Carnival Dream



Key West lunch companion



A menagerie of towel animals



Cruise moon on the water



Look closely...
Becky Goad sporting the newest fashion trend in eyewear, when it's sunny, but you need to read something!



Gail Brennen in her new hat at Half Moon Cay



"Love & Marriage" celebrities, Ann & Frank Mignoli



Kathleen Smith, and daughter Stephanie sharing photos at the piano bar.



Recycled Teenagers Cruisers

Standing, left to right: Becky Goad, Ellen Fannin, Stephanie Landry (Kathleen Smith's daughter), Gail Brennen, Ann Bordelon, MarEllen Basalyga, and Mary Riordon. Seated, left to right: Kathleen Smith, Ann Mignoli, Frank Mignoli, and Carolyn White.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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STANDING COMMITTEES

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OPERATIONS

Bldg Maintenance: Cedar Park (City)
(Lisa Leirvaag is TOTH contact)
Bookkeeping: Lori Rainey
Kitchen: Lisa Leirvaag
Supplies: Lisa Leirvaag
Membership: Lisa Leirvaag
Jeanne Allison
Barbara Duprey
Reception: Mary Riordon
Memorials: Jan Clark
Sunshine: Jan Clark
Mem'l Garden: Jim Anderson
Historian: Ruby Banks
Gail Brennen
Library: Ruby Banks
Bulletin Board: Connie Ellis
Newsletter: Ellen Fannin
Becky Goad
Website: OPEN

REGULAR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Breakfast (monthly).....	Pat Fiero & Frank Mignoli.....	Sign up & Pay in advance
Salad or Soup (monthly).....	Frank Mignoli.....	Sign up & Pay in advance
Meet & Eat Lunch (monthly – locally).....	MarEllen Basalyga.....	Sign Up Required
TOTH Dinner Club (monthly – locally).....	MarEllen Basalyga.....	Sign up Required
Jewelry Making (1st 4 weeks).....	Mary Riordon.....	Sign up Required
Golf.....	Frank Mignoli	
Sit & Fit (3 x week).....	Pat Fiero	
T'ai-Chi (weekly).....	Dr. Tom Barrett	
Quilting Bee (weekly).....	Cindy Glenn	
Special Events & Presentations.....	Lisa Leirvaag.....	Sign up & Pay in advance

GAMES

Bingo (Monday).....	Barbara Duprey	
Bingo (Friday).....	Barbara St. Marie	
Bunco (1st & 3rd Wednesday).....	Ruby Banks.....	Sign up Required
Canasta (Weekly).....	Bobbie McKissick.....	Sign up Required
Cribbage (Weekly).....	Stan DeRocher.....	Sign up Required
Hearts (Weekly).....	Chris Campbell	
Mahjong (Weekly).....	Georgia White	
Mexican Train (Weekly).....	MarEllen Basalyga.....	Sign up Required
Pinochle (weekly).....	Becky Goad.....	Sign up Required
Poker (Weekly).....	Jerry Rubin	
42 Dominos (weekly).....	Nancy Kingston	

BRIDGE

Duplicate Bridge

Tuesday (weekly).....	Frank Mignoli.....	Sign up Required
1st & 3rd Tuesday.....	Sheila Perkins.....	Sign up Required
Friday (weekly).....	Ken Birdwell.....	Sign up Required
3rd Friday.....	Joyce Francis/Sheila Perkins.....	Sign up Required
2nd Saturday.....	Carolyn Patrick.....	Sign up Required

Rubber Bridge

Tuesday (weekly).....	Ed Williams/Eileen Brown.....	Sign up Required
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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

*** Sign up is required**
\$ Sign up & pay in advance

Reminder:
Sign in & out each visit to Center & Tidy Up After Activities

Reminder:
Sign up for Special Classes & Presentations & Luncheons

**** Jewel Classes:**
1st & 3rd Wed with instructor
2nd & 4th Wed on your own

May 2nd Dinner Club
Lucky Rabbit Music Bar & Kitchen 6:00pm
May 14 Meet & Eat
Blue Corn Harvest 1:00pm

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9:00 Sit & Fit
10:00 Board Mtg
- (open to all members)
11:00 '42'
1:00 Cribbage
1:00 Bingo

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CLOSED
Memorial Day Holiday

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00/10:00 Hearts
10:00 Jewelry Class *
1:00 Bunco *
11:00 EXEC Committee
12:00 RBank *
Fraud & Scams

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00/10:00 Hearts
10:00 Jewelry Class *
12:00 TOTH 34th Birthday * & Mother's Day Reception *

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9:00/10:00 Hearts
10:00 Jewelry Class *
1:00 Bunco *

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00/10:00 Hearts
10:00 Jewelry Class *
12:00 CP Parks & Rec *
"The Benefits of Parks & Rec in our Community"

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00/10:00 Hearts

10:00 T'ai Chi
11:00 Mahjong
11:15 Pinochle *
2:00 Pinochle *
12:00 Quilting
12:30 Mex Train *
6:00 TOTH Dinner Club

10:00 T'ai Chi
11:00 Mahjong
11:15 Pinochle *
2:00 Pinochle *
12:00 Quilting
12:30 Mex Train *

10:00 T'ai Chi
11:00 Mahjong *
11:15 Pinochle *
2:00 Pinochle *
12:00 Quilting
12:30 Mex Train

10:00 T'ai Chi
11:00 Mahjong *
11:15 Pinochle *
2:00 Pinochle *
12:00 Quilting
12:30 Mex Train *
2:30 Puzzle Group Planning

10:00 T'ai Chi
11:00 Mahjong
11:15 Pinochle *
2:00 Pinochle *
12:00 Quilting
12:30 Mex Train *

9:00 Sit & Fit
10:30 Bingo
1:00 Dup Bridge *

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00 Book Club
10:30 Bingo
1:00 Dup Bridge *

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:30 Dup Bridge *
10:30 Bingo
1:00 Dup Bridge *

9:00 Sit & Fit
9:00 Book Club
10:30 Bingo
11:00 Finance Comm
1:00 Dup Bridge *

9:00 Sit & Fit
10:30 Bingo
1:00 Dup Bridge *

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1:00 Dup Bridge *

18
5:00pm to 8:00pm *
Senior Senior Prom
"Starry Night"

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9:00 Breakfast Day \$