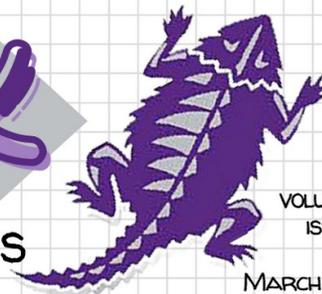


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CONNECTING AND INFORMING TCU'S SILVER FROGS



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BRIGHTER DAYS AHEAD

COVID VACCINES ARE A REAL SHOT IN THE ARM



We asked members to share their experiences with obtaining the COVID-19 vaccine. Since most of us are in the first groups to qualify

for the vaccine, our stories can give us all hope for a brighter 2021.

My wife and I had a good experience when we got our vaccinations. Jean was scheduled after me but accompanied me when I got mine in mid-January and they went ahead and gave her hers at the same time. We were then scheduled together on the same day a month later on February 18, but that was one of the ice and snow days. So I was pushed back to the following Monday and Jean to the following Friday. Once again she went with me and they accommodated her at the same time.

We both have a better outlook for the Spring and Summer. We have ventured out to one restaurant—still wearing masks—and I have started back playing with a musical group.

—*Jim and Jean Godfrey*

Both my husband and I had very positive experiences with the Tarrant County registration process and receiving the vaccine. The first time the *Star-Telegram* gave instructions for registering, we immediately signed up. We did that about 15 minutes apart and had an appointment within two weeks. We were sent to different locations but as long as we could get the vaccine, that was not an issue. I was sent to Texas Health Resources on Rosedale St. in Fort Worth and Roland went to the E-Sports Center in Arlington. We even received different vaccines—I got Pfizer and he got Moderna—which made for an interesting comparison of side effects, sore arms, etc. Both of us waited about five minutes before our shot. Everyone socially distanced and wore masks.

We both received appointments on exactly the correct date for the second shot. All of the people involved in the process were efficient, friendly, and professional. Thank you Tarrant County and all of the medical professionals and also the many clerical people at the computers, telephones, and those giving directions at the sites. It could not have been easier!

—*Jo Ann & Roland Haedge*

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

by Lisa Winter

WELCOME 2021! WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO RESCUE US FROM 2020. THANK GOODNESS THAT WE SAW A LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL IN DECEMBER WHEN THE VACCINES STARTED TO ROLL OUT. WE ARE ALL HOPEFUL TO MAKE UP FOR LOST OPPORTUNITIES IN 2020. WE SACRIFICED IN MANY WAYS TO KEEP OURSELVES AND OUR FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITY SAFE. AND WE MOURN THE ONES WE LOST TO THE PANDEMIC. FOR ALL OF THOSE WE LOST, AND ALL OF US WHO ENDURED, LET'S GRAB LIFE BY THE HORNS AGAIN. CHEERS TO HUGGING OUR LOVED ONES THIS YEAR.



This week Karla and I both received our second injection of the Pfizer vaccine, so in-house dining will become an option for us in a week or two. We will still avoid heavily crowded places and continue to wear masks and practice social distancing until CDC says we can stop. We received our shots at the Texas Health Resources Community Clinic, 1651 West Rosedale. The clinic was very well organized and we were in and out in an hour, including the 15-minute observation period. The staff was courteous and affirming. It was like a burden was being lifted from our shoulders.

—*Ron Tamada*

All I have to say about the vaccine is that it “saved” 2020. We all needed hope more than ever before. The future looks bright!

—*Lisa Winter*

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VACCINES, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Larry and I had a very positive experience with the Texas Health Resources vaccination site. We signed up with Tarrant County and in a few weeks were advised to go to the vaccination site on Lake Worth Blvd., which is just off Loop 820. For the first shots we waited about 30 minutes and the organization was fine. For the second shots we waited about 15 minutes and with everything very well organized.

The plus to this location is that it is across the road from one of our favorite pizza restaurants, [Bosses Pizza](#) (6059 Lake Worth Blvd., Fort Worth, 76135). We crossed the street, ordered from our car, and waited for our dinner to be brought to us, with enough leftover pizza for lunch the next day.

That is what we call a perfect COVID vaccination experience.

—*Elaine Klos*

Received second dose of Pfizer last Thursday. Headache and sore arm next day but by Saturday fine. Just glad I got it. Registered everywhere I could but UTSW got me and my husband the next day we signed up! Very smooth process.

—*Mary Slaney*

I've had just the first dose of the Moderna vaccine, without any pain or discomfort in the arm.

—*Virginia Dias*



Many thanks to the City of Arlington and Arlington police and firefighters for the smooth and efficient process for getting COVID vaccinations! We got our first dose of Moderna on January 8 at the Esports stadium near the Ballpark. From parking the car to walking out after the vaccination it took only one hour. Second dose was even less time due to the great organized efforts of all involved.

—*Andi and Randy Smith*

Cannot say enough good things about Tarrant County and how all was handled! Registered on December 29 as soon as I heard about it, had first shot on January 8, second shot on February 5. Process very smooth for both shots with wait time for first being the longer, but not unbearable. Second shot was walk right in, get the shot, do your wait time and walk out...easy as could be! Now I admit that they do keep you hanging until late in the day to actually tell you to appear the very next day, and I never received the email they kept talking about (only received texts) but all in all...a very positive experience. Recommend it to all!

—*Betsy McDaniel*

We got our first shot the first week in January at the Texas Health Resource Center by TCC South Campus. We waited in line in the cold and wind for over two hours and when we finally got inside it was pretty slow. I realized they had only a few people working and were doing the best they could. Our second shot was February 8 at the same location but ran like clockwork as FEMA had taken over the whole operation and had many folks there running it...at least three times the people giving shots. We were in and out in 30 minutes. We both had slightly sore arms the first time and the second time much more so and had headache, joint soreness, and slight dizziness.

All in all, not a bad outcome and we feel safer now and glad that we're going to be part of the "herd immunity" before too long.

We live at Trinity Terrace and our facility is 98% vaccinated. They are now going to allow outside folks in (with proof of vaccination) and we will be able to do more things together and in larger groups...a good start!!

—*Carol Stanford*

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VACCINES, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

My vaccine experience overall was good. I registered with Tarrant County and got two texts and an email about two weeks later. My first appointment was at the Tarrant County Resource Center, near TCC South Campus. When I drove up the line was really long and the wind was blowing at 45 miles an hour and it was a little chilly!!! I was very impressed with how organized they were and the line moved very quickly - I was in and out in 52 minutes, including the 15-minute wait time. I received the Moderna vaccine and really had very few side effects other than a sore arm for a couple of days. About 10 days after the vaccine, I developed a red area on my arm that remained for a couple of days but did not itch nor was swollen.

My second shot was just as the really cold weather was coming in (February 12) and this time my appointment was at the Bob Bolen Safety Complex on Felix street; this took a little longer to get through. The weather was very cold and the line long, as folks had cancelled their appointments the day before and so the numbers were double what was expected. It was organized and other than the bitter cold the line moved fairly quickly. The staff inside worked very hard at getting us out of the frigid temperatures. Once again, inside the clinic it went fairly quickly. I even recognized many of my neighbors, despite the masks, and reconnected with a former nurse employee who gave me my shot!! I did not feel well the day after the shot and had a slight temperature, so just put myself to bed and slept for 13 hours and then felt fine. All told, it was a positive experience and I am grateful to have received the vaccine.

—*Siân Borne*

My COVID vaccine experience got off to a very slow start, having registered in early January only to be scheduled the last Saturday of February. Waiting to hear from the Tarrant County site was frustrating, mainly because the acknowledgment for the successful registration process was almost immediate, but the actual scheduling of the appointment was far beyond the estimated two- to four-week period. Once actually scheduled, the process couldn't have been more efficiently administered. All the prerequisite forms were easily accessible online, which eliminated extra time filling out paperwork at the drive-through site itself. The entrance to the site at Farrington Field (near University and Lancaster) was well marked with signs at an entrance through Trinity Park. It was a reassuring sight to see the generous number of FEMA workers staffing the process, checking on registration and release forms for the vaccine, routing to one of six inoculation stations, and carefully observing the vaccine recipients for 15 minutes afterwards for adverse side effects. All the FEMA staff were uniformly cheerful and helpful, which came as an exceptionally welcome example of how government, when done competently, can provide immediate relief to many, without aggravating red tape and bureaucratic bullying.

My vaccination was on Saturday. My wife was scheduled for the same date and time, but had independently scheduled both of us for the vaccine at our local PCP office to be administered three days later. She found that

setting to be more to her liking than the drive-through process, so I was able to cancel her reservation online and she, likewise, canceled mine. I accompanied her to the office. Her experience there was efficient and flawless as well. Neither of us experienced pain or any noticeable side effects.

We both received the Pfizer vaccine and will have the booster follow-up in a couple of weeks.

My oldest son has been a lifelong friend of an able young man, Ryan, who is presently working as a firefighter while preparing for med school. Ryan was working at the Como Community Center dispensing vaccine when the group found that there was a large surplus of doses due to "no shows." Since the vaccine, Moderna in this case, was "thawed" it had to be used fairly quickly or otherwise discarded. The firefighters were encouraged to call any friends they knew of to take the vaccine regardless of priority. Being a longtime friend of our family, Ryan thought of us and offered us the opportunity. This was a few days before the appointments Elizabeth and I had scheduled earlier, so we encouraged our two sons to take advantage of the opportunity themselves. We all feel blessed and lucky.

I looked at the "heat map" of the Tarrant County [website](#) and noticed that the TCU zip code area has one of the highest percentages of per capital vaccinations (over 26%) compared to the general 10% figure for all county residents.

—*Dan Calvin*

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A SILVER FROGS INSTRUCTOR? WRITE YOUR FALL '21 CLASS PROPOSALS

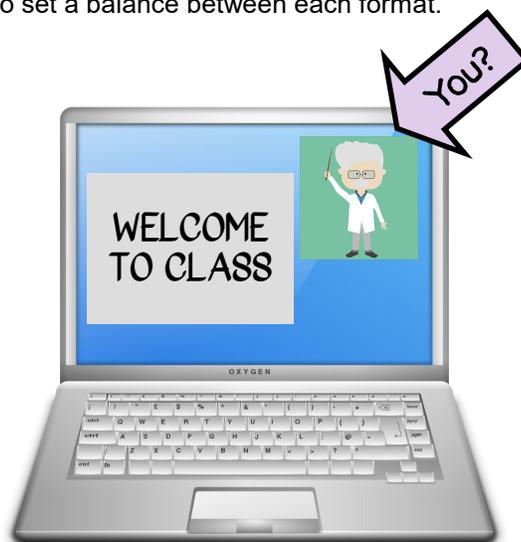
While we're still in the middle of the spring semester, it is not too early to start planning for the fall classes. In fact, we will be posting the request for proposals within the next week. All current members and current recent-past instructors will receive an e-mail with the Qualtrics link and instructions. The big question on everyone's mind is whether we are going to return to the classroom or continue with the remote learning, ZOOM classes. The answer, as of right now, is we're going to do both. We are expecting TCU to allow us to return to the classroom, but Silver Frogs are going to allow some classes to still be offered via ZOOM. At this point, some instructors and members don't feel comfortable getting back in-person, so we'll offer instructors the choice. Please understand that any class will be either all in-classroom or all on-line. It is just too difficult to ZOOM from an active classroom. The RFP form will allow instructors to select either or both formats; this will give the curriculum committee the flexibility to set a balance between each format.

We have been very thankful to all the instructors who took the challenge to try on-line teaching, even almost none had any experience with it. Student interest continued and about a third of the classes were full, about the normal ratio. Thanks to all who participated in this online experiment.

Understandably, the majority of classes were repeats from previous semesters, but we'd certainly like to see some new, never-before-taught class offerings. So if you were waiting for the return to classroom to offer a new subject, now is the time. All that's necessary to submit a proposal is the title and a short overview of the class. Instructors will have until their scheduled fall date to finalize their presentation.

Please consider being a part of the Silver Frogs Instructional Team—you'll be glad you did!

Questions? Contact [Randy Smith](#) (Curriculum Committee Chair) or [Julie Lovett](#) (TCU).



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

A warm welcome to these Silver Frogs who were *not* Returning Members from Spring 2020. Whether you're joining us for the first time or returning after a break, we're so happy you're here!

Kelly Adams
Margaret Augustat
Deborah Banks
Beverly Barron
Fred Barron
Susan Blatchley
Jane Bozek
George Bradford
Yancy Bradford
Lark Caldwell
John Campbell
Laura Campbell
Vicki Cantwell
John Cockrell
Lynn Cockrell

Diane Cooper
Barbara Crotty
Brad Davis
Penny Davis
Eric Deutsch
Linda Dupont
Paula Ellis
Roger Fuller
Teresa Gallagher-Bell
Lyn Goggin
David Grebel
Judie Greenman
Mary Jane Harbison
Sue Harvison
Kristi Hoban

Cheryl Hodge
Sue Ivey
Karen Jones
Laurel Klinger-
Vartabedian
Kay Kurtzeborn
Helena Lipscomb
Joseph Lipscomb
Michael Marshall
Becky Martin
Karen Martin
Monica Molina
Bob Morton
Jim Motheral
Jim Norman

Marty Norman
Carl Otto
Louise Otto
Leigh Owens
Nan Parrott
John Pender
David Phillips
Kay Phillips
Richard Power
Victoria Quick
Janice Raoul
Charlotte Ray
Jonanna Reidinger
Sharon Robinson
Chris Rodriguez

Peter Schoch
Mary Schroder
Bill Sowell
John Stach
Elaine Stoltz
Dennis Stuart
Jane Summerford
Herman Swann
Janice Thompson
Monitia Turner
Mary Washburn
Julie Webber



WHY NOT SERVE ON THE SILVER FROGS ADVISORY BOARD?

The TCU Silver Frogs Advisory Board is comprised of nine voting members and the chairs of the Silver Frog committees. Advisory Board members serve two-year terms. Four of the current voting members will complete their terms this Spring. The TCU Silver Frogs are seeking interested individuals to serve on the Advisory Board for a two-year commitment, beginning in Fall 2021. A member is eligible to serve on the Board if they have been a SF member for one full semester (must have joined Silver Frogs by Fall 2020).

The Advisory Board provides leadership and oversight to all the programs and activities of the Silver Frogs and meets monthly (currently meeting via Zoom). We need YOU for the success of the Silver Frogs!

To learn more about the Advisory Board and its functions, please take a look at our [Operating Guidelines](#). Or you can [contact any member of the current board](#) with your questions. Then keep an eye on your email for a link to the nomination form and the deadline to apply!



IS YOUR CAR ONE OF THE COOLEST AROUND TOWN?

OUR SILVER FROGS WINDOW STICKERS ARE A GREAT WAY TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT YOU'RE A LIFELONG LEARNER AND A PROUD MEMBER OF THE SILVER FROGS COMMUNITY (NOT A PARKING PASS!)

VIRTUAL MEET & GREET KICKS OFF SPRING

by Sharon Harrelson

On February 3, the Silver Frogs' spring semester officially kicked off with a virtual Meet & Greet. The 77 attendees — including Extended Ed staff, Silver Frogs Advisory Board, and members — were welcomed by President Lisa Winter and Vice President Siân Borne. Then TCU's Julie Lovett provided all sorts of valuable information for the coming months. Highlights include:

- ◆ Silver Frogs currently has 527 members (88% of our capacity), 80% of whom are returning members. We have an astounding 42% of our original member group still on board.
- ◆ Demographically, our membership is 70% female and 30% male, with our most seasoned lifelong learner being 96 years old, and our youngest being 53.
- ◆ Julie shared information about waitlists; when a seat opens up in a session with a waitlist, that list is randomized and the first person is contacted. They have 24 hours to respond and then the next person is contacted. Instructors can offer a course/lecture a second time, and if that occurs the waitlisted people are given first priority. Expect to see your Zoom link and any handouts in email two days in advance of your class.
- ◆ We went over a few Zoom tips (see next page) and did three rounds of breakout sessions for some time to chat in small groups.





zoom ETIQUETTE

We've all come a long way, technology-wise, in the last year. Most of us had never needed to use a tool like Zoom before the pandemic forced us apart, and so we learned. Our instructors learned too, and while we may complain of "Zoom fatigue" and get annoyed at the prospect of continued Zoom events, when you stop and really think about it, this tool has been a critical piece of the puzzle when it comes to staying connected and actually seeing people's faces. Here are a few tips for maximizing your Zoom experiences:

- ◆ **Limit distractions**, just as you would in an in-person class. Sit down, focus, silence your cell phone, etc.
 - ◆ **Turn on your video image** — your instructors love to see you, rather than a black square and your name. Lighting is best if you don't have a bright light or window right behind you. Having your device's camera at (or near) eye level helps you look your best.

That said, there are exceptions — if you need to move around, are eating breakfast, the cat won't stay off your desk...or especially if you have connectivity issues or low bandwidth messages, turning off your video image is a better choice. You can always turn it back on!
 - ◆ **To hear better**, use headphones or ear buds and increase the speaker volume.
 - ◆ **Closed-captioning** has been enabled for this semester's Zoom sessions. You can drag the CC box to the side, or remove it from view entirely if you don't want to see it; use the Live Captioning button in the menu at the bottom of your screen and click "Hide Subtitle."
 - ◆ **Change views between Gallery and Speaker**, and play with pinning screens, to see what works best for you and your computer setup. On most Zoom screens, you will find those options at the top right of your screen (move your mouse up there to see them, as they may disappear from view).
 - ◆ **THIS MAY BE THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ON THIS PAGE.** Please help your instructors and fellow students by keeping your microphone muted during class. If you need to unmute to ask a question or respond to the instructor, try using the space bar on your keyboard to do that, like using a walkie-talkie (when you release the space bar you're automatically muted again). On the Zoom screen you will see a red line through your microphone icon when you are on mute, and this ensures that the rest of the class doesn't hear comments to your spouse, the dog barking, or the TV in the background (remember, Zoom shows everyone on the call who is making the audio). Yes, the instructor has the ability to mute everyone, but if he (or she) is delivering a lecture he may not hear the disturbance right away. It's really helpful for everyone to monitor themselves!
 - ◆ **Use the Chat feature** to ask questions (keep in mind your instructor may not see those immediately). This is normally in the menu at the bottom of the screen, and you'll need to move your mouse/cursor to activate it since it disappears from view.
 - ◆ **Arrive a few minutes early** to ensure you are all set up for class.
- Note: Some of these options will be different if you're using a tablet or phone.



CHARTER MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: NANCY CAUDILL AND BETSY MCDANIEL

by Carolyn Stephens

In this issue of Silver Streak, we spotlight charter members Nancy Caudill and Betsy McDaniel, who co-chair the Classroom Hosts Committee. While the work of the Classroom Hosts has been temporarily sidelined by COVID, (due to no classroom!), what they do is a vital part of the overall program. Having a Silver Frog greet members as they come into class, take roll, and handle some of the administrative details for the teacher is a real benefit for our volunteer instructors. And it's just nice to be welcomed into the classroom!

Together, Nancy and Betsy are planning ahead for when the Silver Frogs program can return to in-person learning – perhaps in the Fall. As true co-chairs, they collaborated in responding to the following questions.



Nancy Caudill

How did the Classroom Hosts program come about?

Nancy was one of the founding members of Silver Frogs, and she took on the task of researching and developing Classroom Hosts as a support system for the volunteer instructors. Betsy later joined her in the ongoing leadership of this committee, and this effort has expanded and grown along with Silver Frogs.

Although we are meeting in a virtual environment now, what plans do you have for when we are able to resume in-person learning in various classrooms around the TCU campus?

When TCU allows Silver Frogs to return to in-person learning, we hope to have classroom hosts back in the classroom greeting our members as usual. Members will be given information as to classroom hosting responsibilities and then opportunities to sign up will be sent via e-mail. We are always available to answer questions from members about the Classroom Hosts program.

Are you finding the co-chair approach helpful for leading this committee? Did you come to know each other in the Silver Frogs program?

Co-chairing this committee together has been a wonderful experience. We actually met as members of a TCU Extended Education class, *I Love a Mystery*, but being Silver Frogs together has cemented our friendship.

Can you give our readers a brief personal background so we can get to know each of you better?

Nancy: I'm a native Texan and taught overseas for the Department of Defense. As a Charter Silver Frog, I serve on the Advisory Board as a committee co-chair. I enjoy book clubs, computer lessons (much needed) and Zoom time with family and friends.

Betsy: I'm originally from Louisiana but have lived in Fort Worth for a number of years. Also a charter member who serves on the Advisory Board as a committee co-chair. I am a retired school administrator, former social

studies teacher, mom of two and grandmom of five. I enjoy all sports activities (as a spectator) and read constantly, especially mysteries and legal thrillers.

Is it true that you both "bleed purple"?

Nancy: I grew up next door to the stadium selling parking spaces to the football games in my parents' driveway for a dollar a car. It felt like a fortune back then, but pales in comparison to today's prices! Always had my dog Skipper in his TCU sweater front and center in the yard to draw attention to my childhood enterprise. I went to UT Austin after graduating from Paschal, but TCU has always held a special place in my heart so I bleed both orange and purple.

Betsy: And yes, I truly do bleed purple...undergraduate degree from LSU (purple and gold) and graduate degree from TCU (purple and white)!!! And then Silver Frogs Purple! Also worked 15 years for Everman ISD (purple and gold). Ended up at Waxahachie ISD...great district but colors not so great (green and white)!



Betsy McDaniel

What drew you to the Silver Frogs program?

We consider ourselves life-long learners and have found no better opportunity for this than Silver Frogs.

Are you involved with any of the SIGs?

Yes, we both are involved in several different SIGs and enjoy them immensely. Unfortunately, the pandemic has curtailed many of them. We look forward to once again meeting with our special interest groups when that opportunity becomes available.

What do you miss the most about our in-person learning and social encounters?

The opportunity for social interaction along with the intellectual opportunities offered us through Silver Frogs. The one-on-one conversations with our fellow Silver Frogs and instructors, as well as special event activities—especially dinner at Joe T's. We both look forward to the day when those will resume!



SOME SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS CONTINUE TO MEET VIRTUALLY

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) foster fellowship and allow members to engage with others who share a common interest. SIGs are open to current Silver Frogs members only. Membership or participation in specific SIG activities may be limited and a waitlist may be in place.

These groups are member-driven and during normal conditions they meet at various locations on a regular schedule according to what the group members decide. During global pandemics, some of the SIGs continue to meet virtually, while others are on hold until they can meet in person. Current meeting status is shown in *red for paused groups, green for active groups.*

CULTURE

Art of Fort Worth — contact: [Ann Heinz](#) *Connecting via email.*

Discussion of Current Societal Issues — contacts: [Larry and Elaine Klos](#)
Meeting virtually every other week for lively discussions.

German Conversation — contact: [Helga Gerlinger](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

Ladies Lunch Out — contact: [Virginia Dias](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

Men's Breakfast Group — contacts: [Gary Harrell](#) and [Jim Box](#) *Connecting via email.*

Positive Aging — contact: [Anne Carlson](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

Women & Wine — contact: [Sian Borne](#)

Two groups; meeting virtually, monthly, for happy hour.

NEW!!!! Bake Anything Better — contact: [Sharon Harrelson](#)

Meeting virtually, monthly, with bake-along sessions led by various members.

SPORTS AND GAMES

Classic Canasta — contact: [Virginia Dias](#) *Connecting via email.*

Liverpool Rummy — contact: [Polly Hooper](#) *Connecting via email.*

Silver Frogs Fly Fishers — contact: [Ken Bowers](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

WORKING TOGETHER, DEVELOPING SKILLS

American Sign Language — contact: [Lisa Winter](#) *Meeting virtually with Zoom.*

Give Me A Break — contact: [Roger Norman](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

Knitting — contact: [Lisa Winter](#) *Waiting to meet in person.*

For details about any of these groups, or to inquire about joining, click on a name above to contact the organizers. [Click here](#) to see all of the descriptions on the Silver Frogs website or to access the proposal form to start a group of your own.

CLASS COMMENTS

In our class *Under the Black Flag: A Pirate's Life For Me* we have spent some time listening to sea shanties. Pirates, like sailors, sang shanties while performing shipboard labor. For some reason, sea shanties have once again become popular, and I've enjoyed (and wish to share) Sean Dagher's YouTube channel on the subject, where he has been sharing a "shanty of the week." So [check it out!](#)

—Ken Seeling

I have enjoyed my Silver Frogs courses. Although I prefer the in-person classes, our virtual classes have helped me survive COVID-19 and the "snowageddon." They are a social and intellectual balm for my weary soul. Karla and I are very grateful to the SF leadership and the TCU Extended Ed staff for their dedication, resourcefulness and plain hard work to keep our program rolling. Thank you all! Looking forward to being back on campus, eventually.

—Ron Tamada

SILVER STREAK MAGAZINE BRINGS YOU THE WONDERFUL VARIETY THAT DEFINES THE MEMBERS OF SILVER FROGS!

Want to read more? You'll find all sorts of special-interest stories written by our members in the second edition of Silver Streak Magazine. Take a look below, and click on the links to access just the stories you want. Or you can access the Silver Streak Magazine in its entirety using [this link](#).

Here's what we've got for you in March 2021:

- ◆ There's no shortage of reading material in this issue!
 - ⇒ [Shari Barnes](#) offers ideas for shaking off Coronaphobia;
 - ⇒ You'll get even more ideas from our [member recommendation page](#) as several more members tell us what they've been reading;
 - ⇒ [Penny McAdoo's Poetry Break](#) brings us a "coming of age" poem by Judith Viorst.
 - ⇒ If you prefer reading and watching stories based on real-life people and events, you'll be interested in [Siân Borne's latest list](#).
- ◆ Several of us have been thinking about the state of our union.
 - ⇒ For perspective on the current polarization in our country, [Larry Klos](#) suggests some thought-provoking reads;
 - ⇒ [Tony Krause](#) shares his thoughts on our tumultuous 2020 and looks ahead to better times;
 - ⇒ And [Richard Ranc](#) has been thinking about the latest relief package.
- ◆ Members have been watching a wide variety of [programs on the small screen](#).
- ◆ We've got some member recommendations for [local restaurants](#).
- ◆ And what about the crazy weather? [Buddy McIntyre](#) has some thoughts.
- ◆ [Snow, snow, snow...](#)
- ◆ [Susan Layne](#) is back with a new focus.
- ◆ And...to wrap up this issue, [Judy Furche](#) shares what she's been crafting.



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SILVER STREAK STAFF



Siân Borne A Silver Frog since Spring '17, Siân came to Fort Worth in 1973, after moving to the US from England. She has two daughters and five grandchildren. She loves to read and travel, and is active in several Silver Frog committees, serves on the Advisory Board and is the SIG Chair.



Diane Griffin has enjoyed Silver Frogs since Spring 2016 and is an enthusiastic advocate for lifelong learning. She is a retired business owner who loves reading, writing, listening, travel, theater, volunteering, and frequent interaction with family and friends.



Sharon Harrelson (Editor, etc.) is a Fort Worth native who's been editing various publications for work and fun since middle school. She's delighted to be a Silver Frogs instructor as well as a student; she also enjoys cooking/baking, gardening, games and being a band mom to twin high-schoolers.



Polly Hooper is a native Texan and is passionate about all types of photography. Her hobbies include travel and reading. She also loves to play games and is in a neighborhood book club. Her grandsons keep her very busy as well.



Richard Ranc came to Silver Frogs four years ago following an affiliation with Senior University in Georgetown. He's a retired VP of Investments at Wachovia Securities. He is a Silver Frog instructor who serves on the Curriculum Committee in addition to writing for Silver Streak.



Ann Shelton is a charter member of Silver Frogs. She retired after many years as an Administrative / Executive Assistant, and now enjoys being a grandmother, playing tennis (when TCU's courts are available!) and volunteering.



Carolyn Stephens (Charter Member Spotlight) came to Silver Frogs four years ago following a career in journalism, public relations and crisis communications. She loves the concept of lifelong learning and enjoys reading, cooking, gardening and new adventures.

SILVER FROGS DATES TO REMEMBER

March 15—April 16
(no classes March 27-April 2)
Session II Classes

April 8
Advisory Board Nominations Due

April 19-May 14
Session III Classes

FOR THE APRIL ISSUE OF
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WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR

PICTURES OF YOUR BEAUTIFUL GARDENS,

SUGGESTIONS FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES,

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PATIO DINING
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ALONG WITH WHAT YOU'RE READING,
WATCHING AND ENJOYING IN CLASS.



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