



# Vintage Voices January 2023

# Happy New Year!

Your Executive Council met on December 28, 2022. Here are the highlights:

#### Convention

Roberta Tepper from the State Bar addressed the June 2023 State Bar Convention issues of (a) the Friday Senior Breakfast and (b) a potential Continuing Legal Education program after the Senior Breakfast. A combination Senior Breakfast and CLE, as in 2022, is not permitted. After discussion, consensus was reached (a) to not have a speaker during the Senior Breakfast so the attendees can socialize and (b) a 90-minute CLE about dementia would be valuable, especially if VA psychiatrist Dr. Klugheit, who presented the recent, well-attended, Drop-In, could be a panelist. Unfortunately, Dr. Klugheit is not available, and the Council is working with the State Bar to secure another health professional for this CLE. Meanwhile, Roberta will ask Daniel Fitzpatrick, the State Bar's Ethics Counsel, to co-present about dementia's professional responsibility issues at this CLE. Stay tuned for more information and mark your calendars to go to Tucson's Westin La Paloma on June 16 for the Senior Breakfast at the Convention.

# Council Vacancies – We Need You!

Please watch for the State Bar's call for nominations for the Council coming your way on January 9. We have vacancies:

District Representative 4 Term 2022-2024
District Representative 3 Term 2022-2024
District Representative 2 Term 2022-2024

Member at Large President Dean Christoffel will appoint

Interested in joining us? Please let Sarah at the State Bar know by January 24, 2023.

# Vintage Voices Editor Named

We are so sorry to see Sally Simmons go as Editor of the Vintage Voices. You are stuck with your humble servant.

# **Drop-Ins are Winners**

We received great feedback from our December 12 second dementia Drop-In. Over 100 attended. Our January 6 Drop-In, our first of three First Friday sessions, had over 50 attendees and was well received. Authors Gary Stuart and Bob McWhirter shared how lawyers need to employ different writing tools to be book authors. They answered questions and gave inspiration to the budding authors.

Part Two of our "So you wanna be an author" series will feature Gary Stuart, author and former publisher Jeff Duntemann, and author and coach Larry Robertson, III. Jeff leads the Phoenix-based Armadillo Writers Workshop and has eight science fiction novels and 22 computer and other genre books published.

Gary has published 18 fiction and nonfiction books in hardback, electronic and audible formats. Larry has three published business books and is a Fulbright Scholar. We are going to have a great time on February 3 at 12N. Our topic is the brave new world of publishing. In other words, now that you have your manuscript finished, what's next?

March 3 will be our final installment of what you need to know about becoming a published author with Gary, Larry, and Jeff talking about "Your Book is Printed: Now What?" They will explore the world of marketing, royalties, audience, and what to do with your creation.

Mark your calendars for First Fridays February 3 and March 3 and "drop-in" with us!

#### Pop Culture

Santa gave me a lump of coal for Christmas, a mild case of COVID (It was mild thanks to vaccines and boosters!), so I spent time watching movies and shows on the "telly." Of course, I watched *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street* (the 1946 version) for the nth time. Don (Doerres, my husband) and I also watched the original *Avatar* again so we can prepare for the new *Avatar* movie, which looks like it belongs on the "big screen." I enjoyed *The Woman King* with Viola Davis.

Speaking of kings, are any of you watching *Tulsa King* with Sylvester Stallone on Amazon? I think Stallone is really enjoying the role – even more than he enjoyed his turn in Marvel's *Guardians of the Galaxy*.

Before COVID, Don and I saw *Ticket to Paradise* and *Glass Onion – Knives Out*. These are not great movies but are entertaining. I laughed my way through *Seven Women and a Murder* on Amazon, which is an Italian dark comedy. We just saw *The Pale Blue Eye* on Netflix, which is great for all of you history and mystery fans.

Don Powell saw *A Man Called Otto* and said it was an emotional and intense movie but quite meaningful. He believes it is a very thoughtful movie for seniors. It is now on my list.

A must read is Bob McWhirter's new book: *Fixing the Framers Failure*. See Gary Stuart's review in the January *Arizona Attorney*. I am having trouble putting the book down because it is so fascinating.

Got more to add? We review movies, TV shows, books, comics, magazines, and anything in pop culture here.

#### Et cetera

Your Executive Council will meet again via Zoom on January 25. We have great representation and attendance at our meetings from all across Arizona thanks to the Zoom platform.

Please keep adding to the conversation on our Division's Senior Lawyer Digest. Yes, there are topics other than dues....

Until next time, *Denise*