



From the Treasurer

Just a few year-end administrative matters:

1. **Pledge reminders** will go out early next week. If you have not paid, please make a payment when feasible to keep our CUUC operations running smoothly.
2. **Planning Ahead**: For some people, prepaying pledge amounts may have advantages. For example, if you have to take mandatory IRA distributions, those distributions are taxable. But, by donating a larger amount to CUUC than your current pledge, you may avoid paying taxes over the full amount of the distribution. You can prepay next year's pledge by designating the extra as a payment toward it. (Some people have made multi-year prepayments, and in a way established a "savings account" at CUUC.) Of course one can also make voluntary distributions from your IRA account before the age of 70 and the same mechanism / principle applies. If you have questions, contact Chris Kortlandt (917-821-4289, kortlandtbunch@gmail.com).
3. Our **Auction** fundraiser was again a smashing success with wonderful decorations, great atmosphere and full of community. Many thanks to those who attended and those who made contributions or bid from a distance. We are happy to report that we will net close to \$46,000 exceeding the \$44,000 we had budgeted.

If there are any other questions or concerns you can always reach out to me.

Chris Kortlandt, CUUC Treasurer