



# NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS

HOPKINSVILLE - CHRISTIAN COUNTY

**JANUARY** 2024

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## President's Message

Greetings members,

I hope everyone had a joyous Christmas. Thanks to all who came to our holiday luncheon last month. We had such a good time! And thanks for the many items collected for the Forgotten Angels.

I am delighted that we are going into the new year with our highest membership count ever! Our organization has continued to grow and it is wonderful to see the involvement and friendships that have developed. Let's keep the momentum going. Thanks to all who volunteered in the many recent outreach activities that we have been a part of. Our participation in the community is a big part of our group's mission statement.

I hope to see you on January 10<sup>th</sup> at the beautiful Alhambra Theater (see [page 2](#)). In the meantime, be sure to check out all the activities listed in this newsletter and be sure to follow our Facebook page.

Hope to see you soon,

*Susan*

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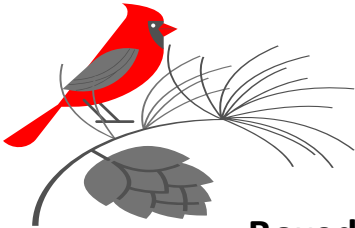
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# January Membership Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10th

11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
The Alhambra Theater  
507 S. Main  
Hopkinsville, KY



Lunch: Catered by WB Express

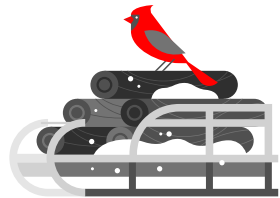
Boxed Lunch – Ham and cheese on croissant, chips,  
and chess bar (drinks will also be provided)

**\$10 per person**

*(Exact change is greatly appreciated)*

Program: Alhambra Events and Tour

Please RSVP to [leneavecathy@gmail.com](mailto:leneavecathy@gmail.com)  
by Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>



Let her know if you plan to eat and if you have guests coming.



If you have any dietary restrictions, let us know.  
We will do our best to accommodate.

*If you find you are unable to attend after you RSVP, please let Cathy know by end of day Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, or you will be responsible for the cost of your meal.*



In January, we will be collecting toiletry items for the Military Affairs Committee. The items will be given to soldiers returning from deployment. Often, they return home in the middle of the night and have only what they are carrying and no way to go anywhere for necessary items. They (men and women) need toilet paper and small toiletries such as deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrush, lotion, shampoo, soap, etc..

# JANUARY

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			Book Club <a href="#">see page 4</a>			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		 IT'S LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY AND WE JUST WANT TO SAY <b>THANK YOU</b> TO ALL WHO PROTECT & SERVE	Membership Luncheon <a href="#">see page 2</a>			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			Lunch Bunch <a href="#">see page 4</a>			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Bunco <a href="#">see page 4</a>		 Eye Opener Breakfast Crafters <a href="#">see page 4</a>		
28	29	30	31	Be sure to check out the <a href="#">Chamber</a> and <a href="#">Visitor's Bureau</a> links below for local events.		
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**JANUARY**  
IS  
**NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH**

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[www.donateblood.org](http://www.donateblood.org)

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# Interest Groups

Visit our [webpage](#) or [Facebook](#) page for more information, including photos and [upcoming events](#)

**Book Club** will meet at the home of Cindy R. on Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, to discuss “Ghost Map”, by Steven Johnson. Let [Lisa T.](#) know if you wish to be added to this email list. [Click](#) to see a list of upcoming book discussions.

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**Bunco** Let the good times roll! The next Bunco game will be held at the home of Linda F. on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Watch for an email with more details. If you are looking for a fun group where you can socialize, then you may want to consider joining the Bunco group. All you have to do is throw dice and have fun. We will help you play. Contact [Dance B.](#) for more information.

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**Chamber Events** Join us as we participate in Eye Opener Breakfasts, area ribbon cuttings, Business After-Hours, and many more programs hosted by the Christian County Chamber of Commerce. [Click](#) to see upcoming events.

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**Crafters** will meet on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> to create block snowflakes. Watch for an email with more information. Let [Kelly S.](#) know if you want to be added to the email list for future crafting sessions. Space at each is limited, so be sure to reply to the emails to reserve your spot. [Click](#) to see the schedule of 2023-2024 projects.

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**CRUISIN’ WITH FRIENDS** -Whether you own a classic car or just love looking at them, be on the lookout for fellow Newcomer & Neighbors members at Cruise-In and Car Show events. [Click](#) for more information and a list of upcoming events.

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**Lunch Bunch** will meet on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at Saito’s Japanese Steakhouse. This will be a lunch-only outing. Watch for an email with more information. Please let [Amy](#) know if you wish to be added to the email list.

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**Theatergoers** –[The Missoula Children’s Theater](#) will be performing “The Secret Garden” on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Watch for an email for details on attending as a group. Feel free to email [Cindy H.](#) if you would like to be included in email notifications or if you have any questions.

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*If you want to join one of the groups, lead a group, or have an idea for a group, please contact the group leader or a board member*

# Member News



Please keep Susan B. and her family in your prayers. Her mother passed away on Christmas morning.

**WELCOME**

We are thrilled to welcome a new member:  
**Connie Leinicke**  
 We look forward to getting to know you better!

## Thank You

From the Barnes family: We hope you have some sense of how much your love, prayers, and kindness have helped carry us through this incredibly difficult time. Thank you for the cards, the meals, the Christmas gifts, and especially the absolutely beautiful patriotic Christmas tree that y'all created for us. Each ornament and embellishment holds beauty, gratitude, and love, and we've decided to keep the tree up all year to honor Shane, his fellow Soldiers, and their families. Though it feels as if there is an actual hole in my heart, the area surrounding it is bursting with your love and kindness. Bless you.

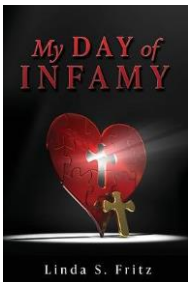


- Dan H. 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Ai N. 25<sup>th</sup>
- Mary F. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Cindy R. 27<sup>th</sup>



## A Local Author Among Us

Linda Fritz is happy to announce Xulon Publishing Company's release of her book "My Day of Infamy". She has been contacted for the book to be shown at worldwide book fairs by numerous people. It is available on Amazon and Barnes and Noble. **Congratulations Linda!**



**OUR PURPOSE: Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors is an organization that connects new people in our community together with long-time residents in order to learn about the area and to develop new friendships while supporting local charities.**

## Member Services

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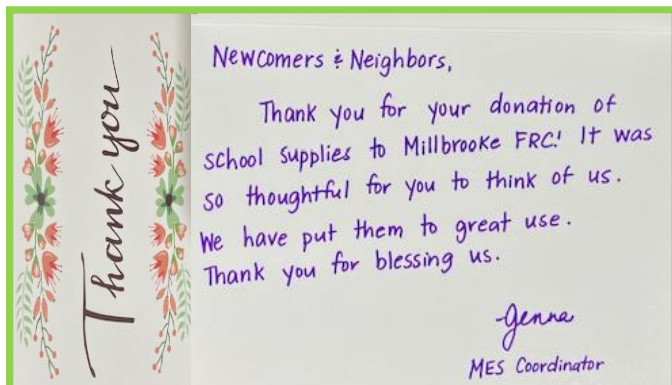
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at 719-688-0147 or

[amymontgomery61@gmail.com](mailto:amymontgomery61@gmail.com).



## *Volunteer Opportunities*



### **TAX COUNSELING FOR THE ELDERLY (TCE)**

Tax preparation, at the senior citizen center, 1402 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, will begin on January 29, 2024. This is drop-off only and an appointment can be made by calling 270-873-8733. Tax Counselling for the elderly is an IRS program that provides FREE Tax help to individuals of any age with priority given to 60 and older.

Tax preparation and counseling is provided by IRS Certified RSVP volunteers.

**Barbara Morris** has been a volunteer with this program for 21 years.

**2023-2024 Meeting Schedule**  
**Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month**  
**11:00 am-12:30 pm (\*unless otherwise noted)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speakers</u>	<u>Meal</u>	<u>Community Service</u>	<u>Table Centerpieces</u>
<b>August 23*</b>	St John Methodist Church 2808 S Virginia Strett Hopkinsville, KY	Kickoff and Recruitment	Finger Foods	School Supplies	Door Prizes
<b>September 13</b>	The Rustic Event Center <b>2060 Woodburn-Hay Road</b> Hopkinsville, KY	The United Way of the Pennyrile – Betsy Bond	The Woodshed BBQ	Personal donations to United Way	Susan Becker
<b>October 18*</b>	CC Sheriff's Department 701 W 7 <sup>th</sup> Street Hopkinsville, KY	CASA - Kira Bailey, Executive Director	The Corner Coffee House	Halloween Candy for Downtown Trick or Treat	Tricia Juneau
<b>November 8</b>	Pennyroyal Area Museum 217 E. 9 <sup>th</sup> Street Hopkinsville, KY	Museum Director – Alissa Keller	<b>Baked</b>	Food/Snack Drive for Challenge House	Rhonda Thomason and Kelly Selfe
<b>December 13</b>	Pennyrile Rural Electric Community Room 2000 Harrison Street Hopkinsville, KY	Christmas Luncheon Gift Exchange Craft	Fajita Bar	Forgotten Angels	Cindy Robinson
<b>January 10</b>	Alhambra Theatre 507 S. Main Street Hopkinsville, KY	Alhambra	WB Express	Military Affairs Committee – Toiletries for soldiers	Cathy Leneave
<b>February 14</b>	Jennie Stuart Medical Center 320 W. 18 <sup>th</sup> Street Hopkinsville, KY	Tracy Clark – JSMC Foundation	JSMC	TBD	Cindy Hogan
<b>March 13</b>	Hampton Inn & Suites 210 Richard Mills Drive Hopkinsville, KY	Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary	TBD	Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary	TBD
<b>April 10</b>	H-CC Public Library 1101 Bethel Street Hopkinsville, KY	Japanese 101	TBD	TBD	Japanese 101
<b>May 8</b>	Pennyrile Rural Electric Community Room 2000 Harrison Street Hopkinsville, KY		Potluck		