



June/July 2023



# NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS

HOPKINSVILLE - CHRISTIAN COUNTY

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## President's Message

Greetings Members,

I hope everyone is ready for summer! Although we are from our regular Newcomers gatherings until we meet again in August, we do have some special summer get-togethers on the calendar. Make plans to attend these events and sit with your Newcomers & Neighbors friends:

**Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** at a Hoptown Hoppers Game, Christian County High School baseball field, 6 pm, with \$5 admission.

**Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**, at Casey Jones Distillery for the Pennyrile Community Band concert at 7 pm. There is so much going on in our community this summer! Here are some suggestions to plan your Summer fun:

Get a Summer membership with a pool pass at the YMCA or at the Bluegrass Splash Water Park; Rent a kayak at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park; Pack a picnic and grab your swimsuit for an afternoon at Lake Barkley State Resort Beach area; Indulge in some sweet treats at Heather's Homemade Ice Cream Shop; Cheer on the Hoptown Hoppers at a weekly baseball game; Enjoy live music Friday or Saturday evening at Casey Jones Distillery; Shop the Hopkinsville Farmer's Market Thursday evenings; Join our Theater Group and go to shows with Newcomers friends; Drop by a local car show and visit with the Newcomers Cruisin' with Friends group; Check the Alhambra schedule for the movies they show throughout the summer.

Be sure to mark your calendars for August 23rd when we kick off our new season (See [page 2](#))

See you soon,

*Susan*

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**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.

**GET  
ON  
BOARD**

**Serve on the Board**

Positions available for June 2023 - May 2024

**President**

**1st VP- Programs**

**OR**

**Join a Committee**

Thanks to those who have volunteered to serve on the following committees:

**Community Outreach - Tricia J. and Pat W.**

**May Annual Meeting - Cindy H., Kelly B., and Lisa D.**

**August Kick-Off – Amy M., Cindy H., and Cindy R.**

**If you want to be part of the board or a committee, or want more information on either, please contact any board member**

*Save the Date*

**MEMBERSHIP KICK-OFF**

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

St John Methodist Church

2808 S Virginia Street

You will have an opportunity to join for another year of fun, friendship, and community involvement. Come by and enjoy complimentary snacks and beverages, door-prize drawings, and information on our specialty groups:  
Book Club, Crafters, Lunch Bunch, Cruisin' With Friends, Theater Group  
**Bring a friend (or two)!**



Our year-end celebration potluck was such a joy-filled gathering! We have several amazing cooks and bakers, generous volunteers, and great participation in the community. We recognized the contributions of a few of our members.

Members brought generous donations of "summer fun" items for Joy Closet, an incredible foster-family support organization in Hopkinsville. The centerpieces were provided (and made) by Barbara Morris. They were won by Eloise, Lisa D., Cindy R., Mimi, and Teri.

Each member received an appreciation gift: a wonderful zipper pouch with our logo (made by Cindy H.)





Big thanks to the planning committee (Lisa D. Kelly B., and Cindy H.)





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28	29	 <p><b>HCCPL Summer Reading Program</b></p>	30	31	1	2	 <p><b>Cadiz Cruz-In</b></p>	
4	5	6	<p><b>Book Club</b> <a href="#">see page 5</a></p> <p>Join us for a night out!</p> 	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14		15	16	17	 <p><b>Trail of Tears Cruise In</b></p>
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	 <p><b>Western KY State Fair –</b> click the links below</p>	 <p><b>Cars &amp; Coffee</b></p>
25	26	27	28	29	30	1	<p>Be sure to click on each event for links to more information. Also, click on the logos below for full calendars of events.</p>	



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				<p><b>Book Club</b> <a href="#">see page 5</a></p>		<p>Join us for a night out!</p>   <p><a href="#">Summer Concert at Casey Jones Distillery</a></p>	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	 <p><a href="#">Trail of Tears Cruise In</a></p>
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29	 <p><a href="#">Cars &amp; Coffee</a></p>
30	31						



# Interest Groups



**Book Club meets monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday (unless otherwise noted \*). Location varies and will be sent in an email notification each month.**

Book Club will meet at 10:00 am at The Neighborhood at Hopkinsville (4190 Lafayette Rd) on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, to discuss “The Bookshop of Secrets”, by Mollie Rushmeyer. On July 5<sup>th</sup>, we will discuss “The One in a Million Boy”, by Monica Wood (location TBD). Please feel free to join us, even if you haven’t read the book. If you want to be added to this list, or for help obtaining a copy of one of the books, contact Lisa.

**Lunch Bunch meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday (unless otherwise noted\*)**

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, several Lunch Bunch members traveled to Cadiz. After shopping at the newly opened Persnickety Pig, GiGi’s Boutique, and The Prickly Peach, they enjoyed lunch at Windows on the Water, overlooking Lake Barkley. Watch your email for information about our summer outings. Please let Susan know if you want to be added to the list.



## 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 the upcoming Cruise-In and Car Show events. Amy M., Susan B., Kelly B., Lisa D., and Cindy H., can often be found visiting in the shade next to their families’ classic cars. There is always room for more friends! Watch our calendar or click the links below for a few of the upcoming events.

- [Dawson Springs Cars & Coffee Cadiz Cruz In](#)
- [Clarksville Gearhead Car Club](#)
- [Kentucky Cruizers](#)

*If you want to join one of the groups, lead a group, or have an idea for a group, please contact Susan Becker.*



## Theater Group

**Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** – Campanile Summer Camp participants will perform:  
6:00 pm -The Lion King (1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup>)  
6:45 pm - Finding Nemo (7<sup>th</sup> thru HS)

Watch for an email about the July performance of Mean Girls Jr. (7<sup>th</sup> grade thru college)

Be sure to email Cindy H. if you would like to be included in email notifications or if you have any questions.

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

**Crafters meet monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday (unless otherwise noted \*), at the home of Kelly S.**



Several crafters met in May to create a “Life is Good” mixed media piece.

Crafters will be taking the summer off. Watch your email for next year’s schedule of activities. Be sure to let Kelly know if you want to be added to this list. Space at each is limited, so be sure to reply to the emails to reserve your spot.

# Member News



## Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a way to stay busy while contributing to the community this summer?



**Pennyrile**  
Area Development District [www.peadd.org](http://www.peadd.org)

[Friendly Visitor Volunteers Needed](#)  
[| Pennyrile Area Development District \(peadd.org\)](#)

### Member Services

**Planters Bank**  
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**Betty Lingenfelter –Liver**  
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**Organ/Tissue/Cornea/Blood - DONOR AWARENESS**  
**PLEASE JOIN THE ORGAN DONOR REGISTRY**  
*Turn "loss" into "life"...*  
*Be someone's HERO*

**Breathtaking Vacations**  
**Contact: Dance Brunswick**  
**(502) 370-8167 or**  
**[dance@breathtakingvacations.com](mailto:dance@breathtakingvacations.com)**

If you provide a product or a service that would be beneficial to our members, please let Amy know at 719-688-0147 or [amymontgomery61@gmail.com](mailto:amymontgomery61@gmail.com).

**White Flowers** is an upscale children's resale store and boutique. They are in desperate need of help and would love to find volunteers to help each day with hanging and tagging. PLEASE call or text Megan Thompson for more information on volunteer opportunities at White Flowers Consignment Store. All proceeds go to Alpha Alternative Pregnancy Crisis Center. (859) 321-6737

**Tricia** has arranged for a few of our members to help out from 9:30-Noon on June 14<sup>th</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup>. Please contact her if you would like to help on one or both of those days.

**If you know of other volunteer opportunities, please share them with a board member.**



## Getting to Know... Joyce K.

I have always been a Kentucky girl. I taught high school math, and I got my master's from Western Kentucky University while living in Bowling Green. I worked as a high school guidance counselor at Todd Central High School for many years. Between myself and Jack, whom I married in 2002, there are four kids and six grandchildren. Happily, my grandkids live in Florida and North Carolina which provides a great place to visit with direct flights on Southwest. Jack and I are presently working with the preschool class at Saint John Methodist Church. Since retiring, I have enjoyed silver sneaker classes at the YMCA, Newcomers and Neighbors, and Master Gardeners. My other volunteering areas include Hospice, Rocksteady, and PADD with the Ombudsman Friendly Visitor Program.



## Getting to Know... Aida N.

Hello, I'm Aida Nishii. I came to Hopkinsville in September 2019 due to my husband's work. Before that, I lived in Chiba, Japan. My family consists of my husband and me, a 5-year-old daughter, and an almost 18-month-old son. My son has joined several Newcomer activities with me. His name is Asato Zack Nishii. I'm happy that the newcomer members speak kindly to Asato and support me. Hopkinsville has a lot of nature and is a very good environment to raise children. I love watching squirrels, deer, hummingbirds, and even fireflies in the summer in our backyard. Also, there are children's events throughout the year, so I am excited and having fun with my children. It's very interesting for newcomers to get to know places and cultures in Hopkinsville. I want to know a lot and enjoy life in Hopkinsville. Thank you!!

**MEET**  
*The Mayor*

JUNE  
**8TH**  
5:30PM

TOWNEPLACE SUITES  
200 RICHARD MILLS DR.  
HOPKINSVILLE, KY

JOIN US FOR AN OPPORTUNITY  
TO CHAT WITH OUR MAYOR,  
JR KNIGHT, JR & HIS FAMILY.  
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

