

### President's Message

Greetings members,

Thanks to everyone who joined us last month at Jennie Stuart Medical Center to hear about the foundation and the new addition. Thanks to all our members for an outstanding job with contributions to the infusion unit. It was very much appreciated!

We are excited about our new T-shirts. If you are one of the thirty-six who have already ordered, your shirt will be available for pickup at the March luncheon (or contact Cindy Hogan). If you haven't placed your order, you will have one more chance. Contact Cindy H to prepay. You don't want to miss out.

A few important club events are coming up. First, our nominating committee is looking to fill board positions for the 2024-2025 season. Floor nominations will happen at our next luncheon. Voting takes place in April. Finally, board members are introduced in May and will assume office in June.

Our board works together to coordinate many activities. Please extend a thank you to them for their volunteer work to make Newcomers an active part of the community!

Hope to see you soon,

Susan



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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>



11:00 am – 12:30 pm Hampton Inn & Suites 210 Richard Mills Drive



Program: Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary

Lunch: \$10 Chic-fil-A box lunch (Chicken Sandwich, Chips, and a cookie)



Please RSVP to <u>leneavecathy@gmail.com</u> by Saturday, March 9<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 on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>



In March, we will be collecting items for Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary #1 is always CAT LITTER - preferably clumping but they mix them, so any is appreciated; CAT FOOD - wet food (gravy please)... and for dry we have many kitties with medical needs so sensitive tummy/urinary tract health is needed along with regular food; DOG FOOD - any kind of wet food ... dry food we feed mostly 4HEALTH HEALTHY WEIGHT; other brands chicken or lamb based we have some fur babies with food sensitivities; DOG/CAT TREATS/TOYS - no rawhide, please! CANINE SUPPLEMENTS - joint health, probiotics for healthy tummies, pure canned pumpkin; FELINE SUPPLEMENTS probiotics for cats, Purina FORTI FLORA; EQUINE BEDDING-pelletized or pine shavings; FLYSPRAY; FEED-grain. CLEANING SUPPLIES - paper towels, cleaning sprays, sponges, etc...And last but not least - GAS/WALMART GIFT CARDS (fuel prices are hurting them)



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# Interest Groups

**Book Club** will meet at the home of Amy M. on Wednesday, March 6, to discuss "He Should Have Told The Bees", by Amanda Cox. Let <u>Lisa T.</u> know if you wish to be added to this email list. <u>Click</u> to see a list of upcoming book discussions.

**Bunco** Let the good times roll! The next Bunco game will be held at the home of Margaret R. on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 pm. 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 <u>Dance B</u>. for more information.

**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. <u>Click</u> to see upcoming events.

**Crafters** will meet on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> to create a butterfly collage. Watch for an email with more information. Let <u>Kelly S.</u> 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. <u>Click</u> to see the schedule of 2023-2024 projects.

**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. Let Lisa T. know if you wish to be added to this email list. <u>Click for more information and a list of upcoming events</u>.

**Lunch Bunch** will meet on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, at Las Fuentes Mexican Restaurant. This will be a lunch-only outing. Watch for an email with more information. Please let <u>Amy</u> know if you wish to be added to the email list.

**Theatergoers** — We currently have two groups going to see the Campanile Production of "Cinderella". Visit <u>Campanileproductions.com</u> for information and tickets. watch your email for events that may pop up during the next month. Let <u>Cindy H.</u> if you would like to be included in email notifications or if you have any questions.

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





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



Rhonda T. and Eloise are proud to announce the birth of grandson/great-grandson, Elliot Lee Fischer, born on 2/28/24 during a hailstorm in Owensboro. 7lbs 6oz, 20.5 inches long, and red hair!



Alpha Pregnancy Care Center is having its annual fundraising dinner on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Watch the April newsletter for more info, or contact Sheila O. また会う日まで Until we meet again タ

We are always sad to see our friends go, but we are so thankful to have had the pleasure of getting to know them! Haruka and her family will move back to Japan this month. She will be missed!

I am writing this letter to say thank you for everything you have done. I will be flying back to Japan on March 10th. In Japan, the new school year starts at the beginning of April. My oldest son will be a middle school student in April, and we will return to Japan in March to prepare for this. Thank you for including me among the Newcomers. I am glad to be able to learn a lot about Hopkinsville with you all. You have been so kind to accept me and talk to me, and that has given me confidence to live in this town. Also, thank you for letting me in on the crafts. I enjoyed it so much.

Japan is a country with four beautiful seasons. You have to change planes from Nashville and it is a long 12-hour flight from there, but please come visit us in Japan. From now on, I will be watching your activities on Facebook. Best wishes.

Haruka



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.

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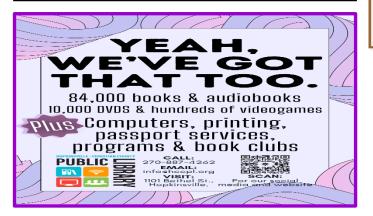
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If you provide a product or a service that would be beneficial to our members, please let Amy know at 719-688-0147 or <u>amymontgomery61@gmail.com</u>.





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 Counseling 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.



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 Geri Santiago, at 270-985-8646 for more information on volunteer opportunities at White Flowers Consignment Store. All proceeds go to Alpha Alternative Pregnancy Crisis Center.



#### 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>	Location	Program/Speakers	Meal	Community Service	<u>Table</u> <u>Centerpieces</u>
August 23*	St John Methodist Church 2808 S Virginia Strett Hopkinsville, KY	Kickoff and Recruitment	Finger Foods	School Supplies	Door Prizes
September 13	The Rustic Event Center 2060 Woodburn-Hay Road Hopkinsville, KY	The United Way of the Pennyrile – Betsy Bond	The Woodshed BBQ	Personal donations to United Way	Susan Becker
October 18*	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
November 8	Pennyroyal Area Museum 217 E. 9 <sup>th</sup> Street Hopkinsville, KY	Museum Director – Alissa Keller	Baked	Food/Snack Drive for Challenge House	Rhonda Thomason and Kelly Selfe
December 13	Pennyrile Rural Electric Community Room 2000 Harrison Street Hopkinsville, KY	Christmas Luncheon Gift Exchange Craft	Fajita Bar	Forgotten Angels	Cindy Robinson
January 10	Alhambra Theatre 507 S. Main Street Hopkinsville, KY	Alhambra	WB Express	Military Affairs Committee – Toiletries for soldiers	Cathy Leneave
February 14	Jennie Stuart Medical Center 320 W. 18 <sup>th</sup> Street Hopkinsville, KY	Tracy Clark – JSMC Foundation	JSMC	JSMC Outpatient Infusion Clinic See page 5	Cindy Hogan
March 13	Hampton Inn & Suites 210 Richard Mills Drive Hopkinsville,KY	Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary	Chic-fil-A	Haven 12:10 Animal Sanctuary	Kelly Selfe
April 10	H-CC Public Library 1101 Bethel Street Hopkinsville, KY	Japanese 101	Four Seasons Catering	TBD	Japanese 101
May 8	Pennyrile Rural Electric Community Room 2000 Harrison Street Hopkinsville, KY		Potluck		