

### **President's Message**

Top O' the morning to ya,

What a fun month March is! Wearing green, pinching people, and celebrating leprechauns. My daughter still insists that leprechauns are real due to the playful antics we used to perform to entertain the kids.

Although we won't be engaging in any leprechaun shenanigans, we do enjoy having fun with our newcomer friends. Join us at the Health Department on March 12 at 11:00 am for a presentation of services offered and lunch catered by Corner Coffee House.

Until March 12...

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sunshine always warm your face, the rain fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Kelly



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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.

### **March Luncheon**

WEDNESDAY, March 12th, 11:00am – 12:30pm

Where: Christian County Health Department, 1700 Canton St.

**Program: Christian County Health Department** 

Lunch will be catered by Corner Coffee House Cost is \$10.00

Please, if at all possible, have correct change or you may write a check.

Please RSVP to Cathy L.<u>, hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u> no later than Monday, March 10th.

Please let her know if you will be eating and if you are inviting a guest. If you have food allergies, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.

We will be collecting hygiene products for teens in foster care.

#### Serve on the Board:

Positions available for June 2025 - May 2026:

### **Christian County Military Affairs Committee**

| 2nd VP-Membership  | Upcoming opportunities include:   |        |  |  |  |
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|  | *Military Kids Bowling Night, April 22nd, Hopkinsville  |        |  |  |  |
| Secretary  | *Event at Casey Jones Distillery, July 5th  |        |  |  |  |
| Hospitality  | *There are also regular Send Off and Welcome Home receptions.<br>(When our single soldiers return from deployment, they often go right to the base housing, without household<br>goods like cleaning supplies, paper goods, pillows, etc. Anyone who would like to donate is welcome to drop off<br>items to Shannon Lane, MAC Director, at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Chamber of Commerce office at 2800<br>Fort Campbell Blvd. Please include a little note letting them know you are with Newcomers & Neighbors.) |        |  |  |  |
| Join a Committee:  | The Military Affairs Committee meetings are open to all Chamber Members and held the first<br>Wednesday of the month, 11:45 a.m. at the Commerce Center unless otherwise noted.   |        |  |  |  |
| Community Outreach -<br>Vacant   | If you'd like to be connected to the text chain which provides regular information on volunteer opportunities with the MAC, please email Newcomers & Neighbors  |        |  |  |  |
| If you want to be part of<br>the board or a<br>committee, or want<br>more information on | MAC liaison, Kelly B., hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com   |        |  |  |  |
| either, please contact<br>any board member.  |   | Page 2 |  |  |  |



# Interest Groups



Our next **Book Club** will be **March 5th, 11:00am** at The Book and Bottle Shop. We will be discussing Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte. Please feel free to join us, even if you haven't read the book. Be watching for an email with more information. If you want to be added to this list, or for help obtaining a copy of the book, contact Barbara Moore, <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.



**Lunch Bunch** will meet at 11:00am on **March 19th at The Crusty Pig**. Be watching for an email with more information. If you would like to be added to the email list, please contact Amy M., <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.



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. **The first show of the season is March 22nd at Land Between the Lakes.** Watch our calendar or if you would like to be added to the email list, please contact Karen C. <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.

Theatergoers will be attending Campanile's performance of **"9 to 5" March 16th** at **Theatergoers** 2:30pm. If you're interested in attending local theater productions and want email updates, please contact Susan B. at <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.



**Crafters** will be meeting **March 28th from 9:30am-11:30am** at the home of Kelly S. The project is "Spring Bunnies". Be sure to let Kelly S., <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>, 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.



**Bunco** will meet **March 17th at 4:00pm** at the home of Maya Y. Be watching for an email with more information. Please contact Tammy Groom, <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>, , if you would like to be added to the email list.

If you have an idea for a group or would like to lead a group, please contact Kelly S., <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.

Visit our <u>webpage</u> or <u>Facebook</u> page for more information, including photos and upcoming events.

Member News



### **March Birthdays**

| Christie W. | 3/4  |  |  |
|-------------|------|--|--|
| Rhonda T.   | 3/6  |  |  |
| Shoko S.    | 3/15 |  |  |
| Mao Y.      | 3/26 |  |  |

### **Member Services**

**Planters Bank** 

Carolyn Cobb, 270-890-1617 Carolyn.cobb@plantersbankonline.com

#### **Betty Lingenfelter**

Liver Recipient/Ambassador/Volunteer Organ/Tissue/Cornea/Blood -DONOR AWARENESS PLEASE JOIN THE ORGAN DONOR REGISTRY Turn "loss" into "life"... Be someone's HERO

**Karen Chiles** 

Wolunteer Opportunities

Looking for ways to stay busy while contributing to the community?





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District (peadd.org)

Friendly Visitor Volunteers Needed PennyrileArea Development

www.peadd.on

Hope House

- Volunteer Trainings: March 20th 5:30-7:30p
- April 5th 9:00-11:00a
- May 15th 5:30-7:30p
- June 7th 9:00-11:00a
- July 17th 5:30-7:30p
- August 2nd 9:00-11:00a
- September 18th 5:30-7:30p
- October 4th 9:00-11:00a
- November 20th 5:30-7:30p

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

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If you provide a product or service that would be beneficial to our members, please let Cindy H. know. <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.

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



## 2024 - 2025 Meeting Schedule Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomersand Neighbors 11:00 am - 2nd Wednesday of the Month (unless noted)

|          |  | (3.   | iless noted)  |   |  |
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| DATE     | LOCATION   | <u>PROGRAM/</u><br><u>SPEAKERS</u>  | MEAL  | COMMUNITY<br>OUTREACH   | TABLE_<br>CENTERPIECES                               |
| Aug. 21  | St. John<br>Methodist<br>Church                        | Kickoff and<br>Recruitment  | Finger Foods  | School Supplies   | Door Prizes  |
| Sept. 11 | Visit<br>Hopkinsville                                  | Shannon Lane<br>Military Affairs<br>Committee                             | Baked Spaghetti<br>Salad<br>Bread<br>Desserts<br>Tea<br>Lemonade<br>Water | Supplies for returning<br>soldiers:<br>(toiletries, snacks,<br>pillows, blankets,<br>sheets, toilet paper,<br>kleenex etc.) | Karen Chiles<br>Dance<br>Brunswick<br>Sheila O'Hagan |
| Oct. 9   | Jasmine Buffet   | Donna Williams<br>Hoptown<br>Breaking Bread<br>Community<br>Dinner Church | Jasmine<br>Buffet   | Sandwich bags, To-Go<br>boxes, plastic utensils, and<br>large canned fruits or<br>vegetables                                | Cindy Hogan<br>Rhonda<br>Thomason                    |
| Nov. 13  | Pennyrile<br>Electric<br>Community<br>Room             | Salvation Army<br>Alisa Barton or<br>David Donegan                        | Chick-fil-A   | Bath Towels,<br>New, Unwrapped<br>Toys/Clothing For the<br>Emergency Shelter  | Cathy Leneave<br>Lisa Craddock                       |
| Dec. 11  | First Baptist<br>Church                                | Christmas<br>Luncheon and<br>Gift Exchange                                | Las<br>Fuentes<br>fajita bar  | Forgotten Angels:<br>Stocking Stuffers,<br>Snacks, Toiletries,<br>Games, No Razors,<br>Mouthwash, or Glass                  | Cindy Robinson<br>Barbara Lose                       |
| Jan. 8   | Alhambra<br>Theatre                                    | Stephanie Harton<br>Wonderfully<br>Made Workshop                          | W. B.<br>Express  | Old Jewelry, Beads,<br>Charms, watches,<br>pins, buttons, etc.  | Kelly Selfe<br>TanaEdwards                           |
| Feb. 12  | Pennyrile<br>Electric<br>Community<br>Room             | Parks and Rec<br>Superintendent<br>Toby Hudson                            | McAlister's<br>Deli   | Individual,<br>prepackaged<br>snacks  | Susan Becker   |
| Mar.12   | Health<br>Dept.  | Health Dept.  | Corner<br>Coffee<br>House   | Hygiene products for teens in foster care   | Kelly Selfe<br>Linda Fritz<br>Teri Joiner            |
| Apr. 9   | The<br>Rustic  | Angie Crawford<br>Director of Alpha<br>Pregnancy Care<br>Center           | Bar-B-Q<br>Shack  | Diapers, wipes, and<br>other baby items   | Kelly Rose<br>Barnes<br>Joyce Kunnecke               |
| May 14   | First<br>Baptist<br>Church<br>Christian<br>Life Center | Membership<br>Appreciation  | Pot Luck  | Items for School<br>Field Day   | Karen Chiles<br>Tammy Grooms<br><b>Page 6</b>        |