



# NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS

HOPKINSVILLE - CHRISTIAN COUNTY



2021

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## President's Message

Greetings Members!

I am hoping everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving!

As we roll into December, you can continue the festive spirit with some great activities this month. The Alhambra Theater is hosting Christmas movies, live performances of the Nutcracker, and a holiday music concert. There are also special events downtown, including the tree lighting, a night parade, and ice skating.

But first, kick off this joyful month by attending our annual Christmas lunch, gift exchange, and Santa for Seniors contributions, all happening December 8th. This is always a tremendously fun gathering that embodies what Newcomers and Neighbors is all about; friendship and community. Here's wishing you Christmas Cheer and I look

forward to seeing you all 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.

## **DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00am – 1:00pm**

**Pennyrile Electric Community Room  
2000 Harrison Street**

### **Lunch Catered by Four Seasons**

**Stuffed pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes,  
green beans, rolls, and cobbler for dessert  
\$12 per person**

**Please RSVP to [leneavecathy@gmail.com](mailto:leneavecathy@gmail.com)  
by Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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

**Cancellations must be received by Cathy by  
Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, or you will be  
responsible for the cost of your meal.**

**We will be having a gift exchange activity.  
Participation is optional. If you choose to  
participate, please bring a wrapped gift  
(\$10-\$15 value)**



**Each December we collect  
items for the Santa For Seniors  
program. Please bring any of  
the following items to the  
meeting or to a board  
member:**

**Socks-Deodorant-Toothpaste  
Toothbrushes-Body wash  
Shampoo-Gloves-Scarves  
Werther's- Peppermints  
Hand soap-Hand sanitizer  
Word search puzzle books  
Crossword puzzle books**

**Items will be taken to the  
following locations:**

**Christian County Senior Center  
Western State Nursing Facility  
Chapel House  
Friendship House  
Cornell Memory Center**

**Please Note: Membership dues for 2021-2022 are due.  
If you haven't paid dues yet, please contact Cathy Leneave  
by December 31st to renew your membership and remain on  
the email list.**

# DECEMBER

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5  BROOKS DAILY DANCE ADMISSION & PENNYROYAL ARTS ORCHESTRA PRESENT <b>NUTCRACKER</b> ON STAGE & STREAMING DECEMBER 2ND - 5TH TICKETS AT PENNYROYALARTS.ORG	6	7	8 Membership Meeting—see <a href="#">page 2</a>	9	10 Downtown Tree Lighting 	11 <a href="#">Skating on the Square</a> 
12  <a href="#">Skating on the Square</a>	13	14	15 Lunch Bunch/ Crafters – see <a href="#">page 4</a>	16	17	18  WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
19	20	21  Happy First Day of Winter	22	23	24	25  Merry Christmas
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# Interest Groups



**Book Club** –Meets monthly on the 1st Wednesday  
Eloise Miller  
Lisa Dean

**Crafters** –Meets monthly  
Kelly Selfe

**Lunch Bunch** –Meets monthly on the 3rd Wednesday  
Susan Becker

**Coffee Club** –Meets monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday,  
10:00-11:00 am, at Panera.

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



**Book Club** will meet at 10:00 am on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, at the home of Kelly B. to discuss “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever” by Barbara Robinson. If you can find one, please bring a picture of yourself (or your children) participating in a Christmas pageant.

**Lunch Bunch** – On November 17<sup>th</sup>, Lunch Bunch members toured the [Planters Bank-Jennie Stuart Health Sportsplex Hopkinsville](#) and walked a few laps before heading over to Maurice’s for some personalized shopping. Lunch at Panera was a great way to finish off the morning.



## December Lunch Bunch and Crafters

Susan B. will host a combined event on Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at Susan’s house at 10am for some crafting, snack making, and lunch. Details will be sent soon. If you want to be included in the email, please let Susan know.



# Member News

Diane W. recently traveled to Waco, Texas with Planters Passport 50. One of her traveling companions was former Newcomer member, Patsy Tooley. Among their many stops was a visit to Magnolia Market & Garden, owned by Chip and Joanna Gaines of HGTV fame. To learn more about this trip and future trips offered, [click here](#).



Please keep Kelly Selfe in your prayers as she helps with her parents, who are experiencing serious health issues.

## Welcome New Members

We are thrilled to welcome another new member!  
**Charlotte Barnes**

## Member Services

### **Planters Bank**

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### **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

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



Betty L

12<sup>th</sup>

Taeko H.

29<sup>th</sup>

### **OFFICER NEEDED**

As you may have noticed on page 1, we have filled a couple of our vacancies, but are still in need of someone to serve as 1<sup>st</sup> VP/Programs for the remainder of this membership year. If you need ANY information, do not hesitate to contact one of the other board members.



# Holiday Traditions and Recipes

Mike is Santa for a few different non-profits and special families.

Last year "Santa" did his visits via Zoom and has already received requests from the little ones to chat with them online again this year.

**Kelly Barnes**



**Cindy Robinson**

Growing up, one of our holiday traditions was helping to get ready for the Christmas Eve church service. My dad was the minister, and he always brought the candles and drip-guards home. We spent the afternoon poking the candles through the wax drip-guards for the Christmas Eve services. Our family favorite was the 11:00 pm service because at midnight we sang Silent Night and held our lighted candles high to welcome baby Jesus.



## Wreath Cookies

One of my favorite memories is making wreath cookies with my mother every Christmas. I have carried it on with my girls and now with Charlie.

**Amy Montgomery**

[Wreath Cookie Recipe](#)

## Flourless Peanut Butter Cookies

2 eggs -1 cup peanut butter - 1 cup sugar  
Preheat oven to 350. Beat the eggs. Stir in the peanut butter and sugar. Drop by small spoonfuls onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake for 10-12 minutes. Optional: Mix in 1 cup chocolate chips with eggs, peanut butter, and sugar.

**Cathy Leneave**



Growing up in San Antonio, my family's traditional Christmas Eve dinner was our homemade tamales. Several days before Christmas, my family gathered on a Saturday morning in assembly-line fashion to make these special delectables. It was our own Tamalada, coordinated by my father.

My sisters and I would spread masa on prepared corn husks, that were then topped with a spiced pork mixture made from my father's own recipe. The husk was folded, and each tamale was steamed to perfection. Many dozen were given to neighbors and friends for Christmas. Well into adulthood this annual tradition continued, and we all looked forward to it not only because of the tasty tamales but because it was a time to visit and spend time together.

**Susan Becker**

**2021-2022 Meeting Schedule**  
**Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month**  
**11:00am-1:00pm (\*unless otherwise noted)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speakers</u>	<u>Meal</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Table Centerpieces</u>
September 8	Shoney's Restaurant Kickoff Luncheon	Membership forms/dues Sign up for Centerpieces and Interest Groups	Buffet (pay on own)		Susan Becker
October 13	Hampton Inn & Suites 210 Richard Mills Drive	Lunch and tour of hotel	Catered: 4 Seasons	Bring snacks for Police Department	Cathy Leneave
November 10	YMCA Meeting Room	YMCA staff – Info and tour	Pizza	Canned Food Drive	Amy Montgomery & Lisa Dean
December 8	Pennyrile Rural Electric Community Room 2000 Harrison Street	Christmas Luncheon	Four Seasons	Santa For Seniors	Cindy Robinson
January 12	H-CC Public Library Community Room 1101 Bethel Street	Dr. Alissa Young, President of Hopkinsville Community College	TBD	TBD	Mimi Royster
February 9	MEETING PLACE NEEDED	Leida Underhill Senior Moments Travel	TBD	TBD	Diane Warneke
March 9	MEETING PLACE NEEDED	Mike and Gina Condella – Challenge House # 4	TBD	TBD	Volunteer Needed
April 19	MEETING PLACE NEEDED		TBD	TBD	Volunteer Needed
May 11					Volunteer Needed