Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors

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President's Message

Greetings to All Members!

Summer is officially here . . . and we'll be taking a little break from monthly membership meetings, so we can all get outside and soak up the sun! We'll also double up on the newsletter . . . since there's lots of summer fun to be had by all!

Inside this month's newsletter you'll find:

- *Updates from our recent charitable giving presentations!
- *Lots of ideas on activities and events throughout our community!
- *And our next member profile, from . . . (. . . guess you'll have to flip over to Page 6 of the newsletter to find out!)

As always, we invite you to share your ideas with a board member!

And Friends, we'll see you out and about very soon! :)

Tiffany Quebe 2019-2020 President

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OUR PURPOSE: Hopkinsville-Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors is a non-profit 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.

Newcomers and Neighbors finished the year with a pot-luck lunch at Pennyrile Electric's Community Room.

There was a lot of great food and conversation, as well as some really cute centerpiece/door prizes. Charitable Giving Funds to:



Hopkinsville Art Guild



Salvation Army



Trail of Tears Commission and Leadership Hopkinsville-Christian County



Boys and Girls Club of Hopkinsville



2018-2019 Board

MARK THIS ON YOUR

Officers were installed for the 2019-2020 membership year, with Rhonda Thomason stepping into the position of 1st VP/Programs.



2019-2020 Board

Our August membership meeting will be held on Thursday, August 8th, at Shoney's, at 11:00 a.m.

Mike Atkins, from Crime Stoppers will be our speaker.

Also, lease stock up on school supplies to bring.





listed here.

Click Logos for calendar of events

*Contact Interest Group Leader

(page 5) for more information on activities













Interest Groups



<u>Book Exchange –</u> Meets monthly on the 4th Wednesday at 12:30pm (location varies-see calendar)

<u>Bunco/Game Night</u> – Meets monthly on the last Thursday, 6:00pm (location varies-see calendar) Cathy Leneave –

Chamber Events – Watch Calendar and emails

<u>Crafters</u> – Meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday 1:00pm (location varies-see calendar) Kelly Selfe <u></u>

<u>Day Trippers</u> – Will try to take trips quarterly-Amy Montgomery –

<u>Lunch & Junk</u> – Meets monthly on the 3rd Wednesday Kaye Emry –

<u>Theater/Arts/Dinner/GNO</u> -(new) Information to come

We are working on getting new groups started, and are always looking for group suggestions.

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





Crafters group met May 7th at Rhonda's home to make glass garden art. They also had a surprise baby shower for Mao.

Bunco group will not meet in June and July. They will resume play in August.



Day Trippers are going to Adsmore
House and Gardens in Princeton
on Tuesday, June 25th, for the
Wedding Tour.
Details will be emailed out soon.
Contact Amy Montgomery if you
want to be included in the email
notification.





Member News



Our sympathy is extended to Joan Strickland on the loss of her husband Win on May 19th.

Please keep her in your prayers!

Martha Holley has asked us to keep her in our prayers.

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.





If you have any gently used or new pillow cases that you are not using, please contact Cathy Leneave. She uses them to make dresses for Mission teams.

Getting to Know You...

This edition of "Getting to Know You" features a Mother/Daughter Duo. Eloise Miller is our outgoing 1st VP/Programs and her daughter Rhonda Thomason is stepping into that position.

Eloise - I was born and raised in Elizabethtown, KY. I attended the KY Baptist Hospital in Louisville to become a registered nurse. I met and married my husband, John Al, while he was a student at the Seminary in Louisville. We moved to North Carolina for his school, and then Beaufort, S.C. where he was Pastor of a church.

We moved to Evans, Ga (Augusta area) where he Pastored for 25 years. I worked in local hospitals in various positions as a nurse. I continued my education, receiving a masters degree from the Medical College of Ga. I then became the Director of Education in the hospital there. (Continued on page 7)

When my husband retired, I was asked to become Director of Education at the hospital in my hometown, Elizabethtown. We still had elderly family members there who needed assistance, so we moved back "home" to Kentucky. Meanwhile, our two daughters, Beth and Rhonda, had families and were established elsewhere.

After I retired, we traveled on many wonderful trips. We were often in Hopkinsville to see Rhonda's family. We moved here in 2008. Joan Strickland invited me to Newcomers, and I have been active since then.

Newcomers was really timely for me to make the adjustment to a new area, people, and retirement. I had always been active in church and professional groups, but not in a volunteer organization such as newcomers. It has been meaningful to meet a diverse group, establish relationships, and participate in community activities.

The past two years as an officer on the board has made me appreciate even more the work and dedication of the members to make our mission stronger. I believe others could also benefit from the opportunities of Newcomers and Neighbors.



Rhonda - I consider myself a southern girl. I was born in South Carolina, raised in Augusta, Georgia, and attended college in Alabama. My dad is from North Carolina and my mom is from Kentucky. I married a Hopkinsville boy and we have spent our married life in South Carolina and in the middle of Kentucky (Somerset). We moved to Georgia and missed Kentucky so much that when a family friend offered a job to Lee, we jumped at the chance to move back home. We have been in Hopkinsville for 16 years and have raised our two daughters here. Kelsey is an Occupational Therapist and lives with her husband in Owensboro. Katie is a junior at WKU. With Lee also a WKU graduate, we are big Toppers fans.

I graduated from Samford University with a B.A. in Business and Marketing and spent many years as sales director for a hotel. I have also been a stay at home mom and most recently a teacher's assistant at Hopkinsville First United Methodist Church, as well as Holiday And MLK Elementary Schools.

I have enjoyed Newcomers for exposing me to places I didn't know about, even after living here for so long, and for the new friends I have made.



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