

President's Message

Hello members,

Our 2024 – 2025 Season Kick-off was held at St. John Methodist Church on August 21st, and I was completely blown away by the participation! We had 43 in attendance and added 16 new members. The smiles and laughter warmed my heart!

Our 50/50 funds allowed us to donate to two of our local nonprofit organizations. Ann Isom accepted a \$200 check on behalf of the Pink Ribbon Network whose focus is to offer strength, support, love, encouragement & hope for those dealing with this diagnosis. Pam Rudd was unable to attend and accept a \$200 check to Christian County Senior Olympics. She has invited us to attend the Senior Olympics Opening Ceremony at the Sportsplex Tuesday, September 24 at 8:00 am. Newcomers and Neighbors will be presenting the check to their organization on your behalf at that time. Please make plans to attend! My grandmother was big into Senior Olympics, and I know how much it meant to her. It is a great way for us to support our community!

If you didn't have a chance to join Newcomers and Neighbors at the kick-off you can join at any of our meetings. Don't forget to reach out to our different activity group leaders (information located on page 5). They have been working diligently planning a wonderful season of fun and fellowship.

We have a GREAT year planned! There's always something going on and you can be as involved as you want to be. We are always looking for new ideas and new faces. Get involved and we can achieve our mission. "The Hopkinsville–Christian County Newcomers and Neighbors is a not- for-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."

See you soon!



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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.

September Luncheon

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

Where: Visit Hopkinsville, 1730 East 9th Street, Hopkinsville

Program: Shannon Lane, Military Affairs Committee

Lunch will be provided by Visit Hopkinsville and Military Affairs Committee. Menu: Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Desserts with Tea, Lemonade, or Water

Please RSVP to Cathy L.<u>, hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>, no later than NOON on Friday, September 6th. If you are planning to eat, be sure to let her know. Also, let her know if you are inviting a guest.

If you have any dietary restrictions, let us know and we will do our best to accommodate.

We will be collecting supplies for returning soldiers: toiletries, snacks, pillows, blankets, sheets, toilet paper, Kleenex, etc.

Serve on the Board Positions available for June 2024 -May 2025

1st VP-Programs



Join a Committee Community Outreach - Vacant



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

Christian County Military Affairs Committee

Upcoming opportunities include: *October 26 - MAC Chili Cookoff

*There are also regular Send Off and Welcome Home receptions.

(When our single soldiers return from deployment, they often go right to the base housing, without household goods like cleaning supplies, paper goods, pillows, etc. Anyone who would like to donate is welcome to drop off items to Shannon Lane, MAC Director, at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Chamber of Commerce office at 2800 Fort Campbell Blvd. Please include a little note letting them know you are with Newcomers & Neighbors.)

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 MAC liaison, Kelly B., <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

christiancountychamber.com/military-affairs



Please review the proposed Article XIV – Budget Guidelines below.

We will vote at our September 11th luncheon to amend our Bylaws.

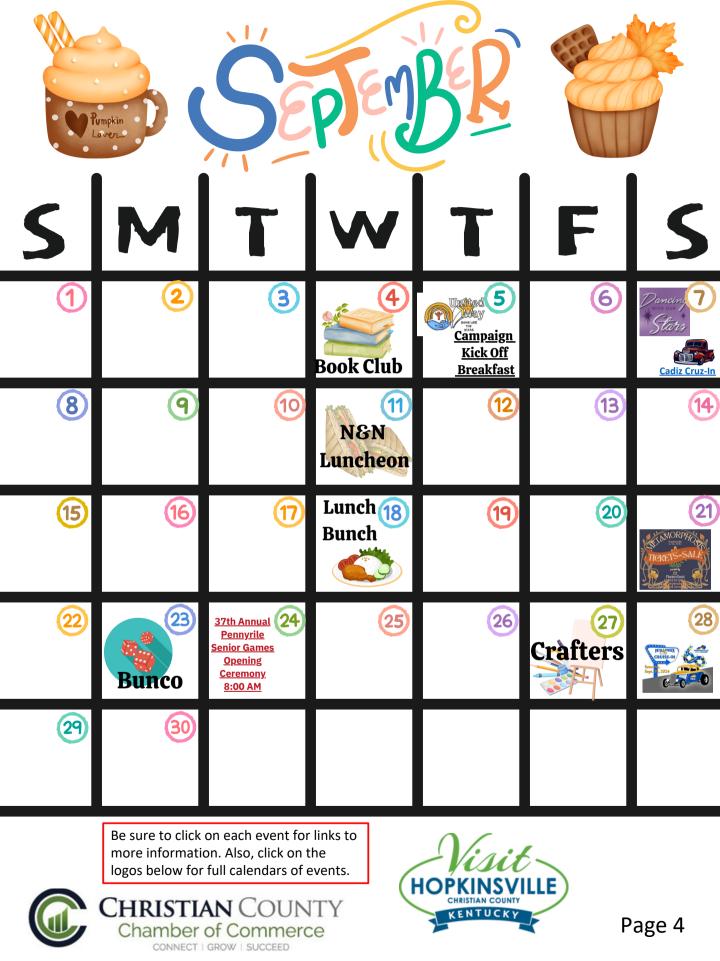
PROPOSED: ARTICLE XIV - Budget Guidelines

Money received from sponsorship shall be used only for the Club's operating expenses. The expenses include the following: costs associated with maintaining a website, PO, or PMB mailing location, bank/checking fees, necessary promotion or communication items such as business cards, rack cards, stationary, copies/printing, stamps, and all costs associated with the annual membership kickoff and monthly lunch programs.

Money collected from membership dues and money taken in that exceeds monthly lunch catering expenses shall be used for the following costs: May membership appreciation gifts, centerpiece stipends, Chamber membership, chamber event stipends, bereavement, celebratory and goodbye gifts and cards, expenses associated with interest groups, and community outreach.

Proceeds from 50/50 drawings must be donated to local charities at the August membership kickoff to charities voted on by members.

Board members must vote on any unusual expense exceeding \$25.



Interest Groups

Our next Book Club will be September 4th at 10:00 AM, at the home of Sheila O. We will be discussing "The Women" by Kristin Hannah.

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,

hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com.

BOOK

October's book will be "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt.



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. We can often be found visiting in the shade next to our families' classic cars. There is always room for more friends! Watch our calendar or if you would like to be added to the email list, please contact Karen C. hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com.

Crafters Crafters will be making "Cute Pumpkins" on Friday, September 2

Pumpkins" on Friday, September 27th. Be watching for an email with all the fun details!

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.

Lunch Bunch

On Wednesday, September 18th, we will meet at Cadiz Restaurant at 11:00 for lunch. Afterwards, we will visit the Golden Pond Visitor Center.



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

Theatergoers will attend the matinee show of The Wizard of Oz, Sunday, October 20th at the Alhambra. An email will be sent with further details.

If you're interested in attending local theater productions and want email updates, please contact Susan B. at <u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.



Bunco

Let the good times roll! Bunco will be held Monday, September 23rd at 4:30 PM at the home of Sheila O. We are always looking for new members and can teach you how to play. Contact Dance B. at

<u>hoptownnewcomers@gmail.com</u>.

Visit our <u>webpage</u> or <u>Facebook</u> page for more information, including photos and upcoming events. Page 5

Member News



September Birthdays

Joann S.	9/12
Shoko S.	9/18
Sandra H.	9/20
Carolyn C.	9/22
Barbara Morris	9/22
Alison N.	9/27



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



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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

Member Services

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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

Breathtaking Vacations Travel Agency

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If you provide a product or a service that would be beneficial to our members, please let Cindy H. know <u>emptynest1025@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)

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DATE	LOCATION	<u>PROGRAM/</u> SPEAKERS	MEAL	COMMUNITY OUTREACH	TABLE CENTERPIECES	
Aug. 21	St. John Methodist Church	Kickoff and Recruitment	Finger Foods	School Supplies	Door Prizes	
Sept. 11	Visit Hopkinsville	Shannon Lane Military Affairs Committee	Baked Spaghetti Salad Bread Desserts Tea Lemonade Water	Supplies for returning soldiers: (toiletries, snacks, pillows, blankets, sheets, toilet paper, kleenex etc.)	Karen Chiles Dance Brunswick Sheila O'Hagan	
Oct. 9	Jasmine Buffet	Donna Williams Hoptown Breaking Bread Community Dinner Church	Jasmine Buffet		Susan Becker	
Nov. 13	Pennyrile Electric Community Room	Salvation Army Alisa Barton or David Donegan		Bath Towels, New, Unwrapped Toys/Clothing For the Emergency Shelter	Cathy Lneave Lisa Craddock	
Dec. 11	First Baptist Church	Christmas Luncheon and Gift Exchange	Holiday Meal	Forgotten Angels: Stocking Stuffers, Snacks, Toiletries, Games, No Razors Mouthwash or Glass	Cindy Robinson ,	
Jan. 8	Alhambra Theatre	Stephanie Harton Wonderfully Made Workshop	W. B. Express	Old Jewelry, Beads, Charms, watches, pins, buttons, etc.	Kelly Selfe TanaEdwards	
Feb. 12					Cindy Hogan	
Mar.12	Health Dept.	Health Dept.			Kelly Selfe	
Apr. 9	The Rustic	Angie Crawford Director of Alpha			Kelly Rose Barnes	
May 14	Extension Office	Membership Appreciation & Master Gardener	Pot Luck		Karen Chiles	
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