



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Generally, our February meeting has been an "OPEN HOUSE" to invite friends/neighbors to see what HWC is all about. If anyone joins, the \$35 dues is good through May of 2023. Karin R. and Monique A. have planned a fun game night for the February meeting. Also, Nancy M. and Karin R. have some trivia from 1981 as we continue to celebrate HWC 40 years. So, invite a friend or former member to join us on February 17, 7pm at Hinckley Town Hall. Looking ahead to March, our meeting has BEEN MOVED TO THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 7PM AT TOWN HALL, featuring our own Heather Liccardi, Charter President and current HWC Historian to speak on the history of HWC. This is another great opportunity to invite former members. Guests are welcome any time.

Since we canceled our dinner/dance fundraiser and 40th anniversary celebration, we would like to plan a summer picnic. Ann Leo will be looking for members to assist her in planning this event. Please contact Ann if you would like to help plan and or have ideas for activities. Again, this is another great event to invite former members.

It's that time again to renew membership, \$35, elect officers and choose a committee to serve on from Sept. 2022-May 2023.

Thank you to Lynne Rotundo for taking over the secretary position until Chris Studor returns in March. Also, thank you to Marilyn Mocarski for becoming a part of the Nominating Committee.

CANCELATION OF GENERAL HWC MEETINGS:

Hopefully this note will help clarify any future cancellation questions until our current bi-law is vague and will be updated as we update all our bi-laws this year. This is just a brief writing and not formal language.

1. General HWC meetings may be canceled prior to the general meeting through an e-blast sent by an executive board member/newsletter/facebook/website chair.
2. or as late as the day of meeting by 6pm or hopefully earlier.

Both options must be majority of board members (3 of 5) with the President being notified prior to any action taken, if not already part of the majority.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Each board member will be assigned calls/texts to be made during the first board meeting of the new season (Aug./Sept). An email may also be implemented.

Again, Thank you to all that make HWC the wonderful club that it is and Cheers to another 40 years!!

Stay warm and be safe,

--- Debbie Moss



By-Laws:

Article III - Membership.

At the February meeting, we will vote on Article III - Membership. Please read Article III in your membership book before the meeting. Section 1 deals with Eligibility, Section 2 - Dues, Section 3 - Members in Arrears. So far, there has only been discussion on eligibility.

- a.) Keep membership open to residents of Hinckley and adjoining communities
- b.) Open membership to anyone, no matter where they live.

Please think about how you feel about this before we vote.

Article IV - Officers - We plan to vote on Article IV at our February meeting too. Please read over Article IV and let me know if you have ideas for change. **Article IV - Officers** - We may vote on Article IV at our February meeting, if there are no objections to the current wording. Please read over Article IV and let us know if you have ideas for change at the FEB meeting.



Article V. - Meetings - Time to think about if we need to change how we cancel a meeting.

Current by-laws read, "General Meetings of the Club shall be held the third Thursday of the month, September through May, EXCEPT WHEN OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD."

Some members have proposed additions. If you have a comment or propose a change, please email me your thoughts. I will collect them over the next week or 2, share them via email, and we can discuss possible changes - or not - at our next general meeting.

- Heather Liccardi

By-Law Committee: Lauren A, Marge P, Cheryl V, Heather L



We are all about the gnome!



HINCKLEY CHAMBER NEWS:

HOORAY! BUZZARD DAY BREAKFAST IS BACK IN PERSON - SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022

New School, New Gym, - and the same great HWC Greeters in gorgeous blue shirts!

It's easy! It's fun! It's helpful! If you want to help greet guests and direct them to those delicious pancakes, clever crafts, rest rooms, etc., contact Heather Liccardi and sign up for a shift:

6:30 - 9AM, 9AM -11AM, 11AM -1:30PM - your breakfast is included.(Need 3 or 4 per shift by March 1) hliccardi@yahoo.com.

If you and/or a family member want to sign up for some other volunteer opportunity, go to the Chamber website and use SIGN-UP GENIUS.

<http://www.hinckleyohchamber.com>

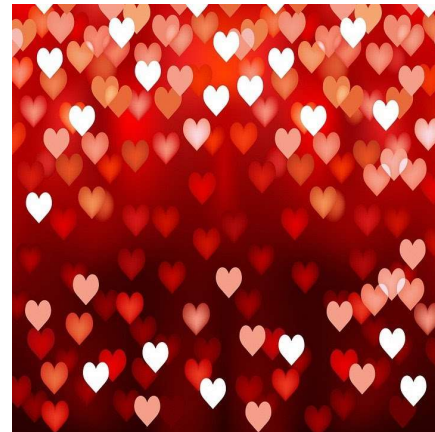
By the way, this year, breakfast tickets will be sold on line via the chamber website above. No tickets sold at the door. After 2 years, we finally have IN PERSON BUZZARD DAY AGAIN. And we can help make it happen!

- [Heather Liccardi](#)
Chamber Liaison

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, Sugar is Sweet ... and So Are You!

May Your Valentine's Day be filled with whatever you love to do best!



Happy Birthday....

Wendy Burns	February 1
Natasha Kalas	February 5
Lauren Alterman	February 11
Rachel Iwasevic	March 3
Pat Fordosi	March 7
Michelle Crew	March 15
Amy O'Neil	March 15
Karin Rupert	March 21

Happy Valentine's Day!

Sharpen your memory, be ready to play trivia at our February meeting!

- [Sunshine Committee](#)
[Karin Rupert](#) – [Nancy Mandilakis](#)



HWC - A Look Inside...

Cheryl Valasik has been a member of the Hinckley Women's Club for a long time. When she moved to Hinckley in 1979, Cheryl joined the Hinckley Welcome Wagon because they had a bridge group and she thought it would be a good way to meet people. Eventually the consensus of the women was to start our own club that would still be social and welcome new members in the township but we would also do more volunteer and philanthropic activities. We also would not have to pay dues to the Welcome Wagon organization. Through all the years, Cheryl has met, worked and played with some wonderful women which is why she has remained a member even though she now resides in Medina Township. She and her husband lived in Hinckley for almost 30 years before moving. Cheryl is a retired high school social studies teacher who likes to ski, read, play bridge and work with my dog, Brio. He is a Bouvier des Flandres, who she trains in herding, obedience and rally. He is one of the Top 20 Performing Bouviers in the country. He keeps her busy. She has a son, Matthew, he and his family live in Louisiana. Matthew is an associate professor in criminology at LSU. Cheryl's daughter-in-law, Molly, is CEO and CFO of Cogstone, an archeological company. Cheryl and her husband have 3 grandchildren: Oscar is 8, Quentin is 6 and Evie is 3. "I wish they lived a lot closer to me as seeing them 3 or 4 times a year just isn't enough as they are growing up too quickly."

"Finally, kudos to those women who believed that a better organization for Hinckley was possible and moved forward with their idea. Kudos to all those women who through the years joined the (Hinckley Women's) Club giving of their time and talents to make it the success that it is today. Let's continue the wonderful philanthropic projects and keep participating in the community events when we are asked so we can still be that outstanding Hinckley organization when it's our 50th anniversary."

- Cheryl Valasik

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Feb. 17th General Meeting - 7 p.m.

Hinckley Town Hall
1410 Ridge Road

Featuring:

Open House, Wine & Cheese Tasting, Games

Thursday, March 3rd @ 7 p.m. Board Meeting

@ Lynne's house

Committees: Easter Egg Hunt, Scholarships.

Sunday, March 6th Newsletter Deadline

- Send articles to Lynne Rotundo at
sparklynne102@gmail.com

Sunday, March 20th - Buzzard Day

Thursday, March 24th* General Meeting - 7 p.m.

Hinckley Town Hall
1410 Ridge Road

Featuring:

Heather Liccardi to talk about the history of HWC.

***PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE**



SUPER BOWL SQUARES

Alas, the Browns will be watching the Super Bowl from home again, just like all of us. But you can still enjoy the game. The squares were \$10 a piece, and all have been purchased. The numbers and the teams that will be playing will be randomly assigned to the squares. There are 100 squares. The prizes are as follows:

1st Quarter winner - \$100
2nd Quarter winner - \$100
3rd Quarter winner - \$100
4th Quarter winner - \$200

HWC - \$500 for its philanthropy/scholarship fund.

- [Lauren Alterman](#)

DID YOU KNOW....

THIS FEBRUARY WILL NOT COME INTO YOUR LIFE AGAIN... IT HAS 4 SUNDAYS, 4 MONDAYS, 4 TUESDAYS, 4 WEDNESDAYS, 4 THURSDAYS, 4 FRIDAYS, AND 4 SATURDAYS. THIS HAPPENS ONCE IN 823 YEARS. IT IS CALLED MIRACLEIN.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Scholarship Committee has begun work on the 2022 Scholarship initiative. This year we will be awarding two \$1000 scholarships. Articles have been sent out to local newspapers and we are in the process of delivering the letters, application forms and posters to respective schools and the training center. Posters and bulletins will appear at some strategic local businesses and churches. Please spread the news to family, friends and neighbors to access the details on the application form either through the Counselor's Office at Highland High, Brunswick High or the Medina County Career Center, or will be posted on our website at www.hinckleywomensclub.com and will be available on our Facebook page. Completed applications should be sent to our post office box by no later than **March 15, 2022**. The winners will be invited to appear at HWC's April General Meeting.

- [Pat Fordosi](#), [Jen Barauskas Spradlin](#),
[Wendy Burns](#)

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO YOU AND YOURS!!!

- [Lynne Rotundo](#)



Second Important Lesson – Pickup in the Rain

One night, at 11:30 p.m. , an older African American woman was standing on the side of an Alabama highway trying to endure a lashing rain storm. Her car had broken down and she desperately needed a ride.

Soaking wet, she decided to flag down the next car. A young white man stopped to help her, generally unheard of in those conflict-filled 1960's. The man took her to safety, helped her get assistance and put her into a taxicab.

She seemed to be in a big hurry, but wrote down his address and thanked him. Seven days went by and a knock came on the man's door. To his surprise, a giant console color TV was delivered to his home. A special note was attached.

It read:

"Thank you so much for assisting me on the highway the other night. The rain drenched not only my clothes, but also my spirits. Then you came along. Because of you, I was able to make it to my dying husband's bedside just before he passed away... God bless you for helping me and unselfishly serving others."

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nat King Cole.