



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

As I reflect back on the past 2 years as President, it started via Zoom with installation of the 20/21 new board. Who would've thought what the future held as we were being informed of COVID 19 and entering a worldwide pandemic.

My goal all along was to keep the club together whatever that involved. Zoom became our popular platform for meetings and taught many of us new tech skills which we struggled to learn. We tried to keep things moving along and despite planning for several events and activities, often had to cancel due to changes in social distancing and other health guidelines. Needless to say, there has been much frustration but we made it through the worst of the pandemic. We also had a change in secretary and treasurer after one year which added to continued education and working through learning curves. I am very thankful for those who stepped up to fill in for empty committee positions and any other help needed. That is what makes HWC the great group it is... women supporting each other.

We have dealt with many firsts and now another in that there are 2 members interested in "co presidency" and another former president running for the 22/23 year. As we've all heard in the world of politics, "every vote counts". We will be voting by written ballot at our April 21st meeting so please be sure to attend. We will hear from both candidates prior to the vote

so everyone can hear what each has planned for the upcoming year. We will start our meeting with scholarship recipients reading their essays and photos with their families. We will next learn all about Franklin Castle and other unknown Cleveland gems. Our business meeting will then follow some time after 8pm. HWC has succeeded for 40 years thanks to the commitment and integrity of the women leading the way and will continue to succeed as we have made it through all of these life-changing events with COVID 19.

Thank you again to everyone for all your support and kind words along the way. It has been a group effort.

- Debbie Moss, President





### **By-Laws:**

By-Law Revision - from ballot vote taken  
March 24, 2022

### **Article III - Membership.**

At the March meeting, we voted on Article  
III - Membership.

SECTION 1 - Eligibility: *changed to:*

Any woman who is interested in supporting  
the objectives of Hinckley Women's Club.

SECTION 2 - Dues:

STAYS AS IS - (NO TWO-TIER "SPONSOR"  
OPTION)

### **Article V. - Meetings -**

We also voted on Article V - Membership.

*Changed from:*

"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."**

***Changed to:***

The general meetings of the Club shall be  
held the third Thursday of the month,  
September through May. **Except when**  
**otherwise ordered in a timely manner by**  
**majority consensus among the**  
**Executive Board.**

Thank you to all who participated in this part of  
our by-law revision.

- Heather Liccardi

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

### **BUZZARD DAY:**



Yes, Buzzard Day was back at our new  
Hinckley Elementary. A lot of the women's  
club made their way out to help, whether it was  
taking tickets, or taking money, directing traffic,  
or helping clean up. The food was delicious,  
and the crowd was wonderful!







### **HINCKLEY CHAMBER NEWS:**

**Buzzard Day** was a success!

Buzzard Day pancake & sausage breakfast was a huge success!

1,502 delicious adult breakfasts

1,113 children

77 volunteers

Activities for all ages, all over town

Thank you to all who volunteered to help make this a terrific comeback!

- Heather Liccardi (new Chamber Secretary)



### **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

The Scholarship Committee has met and selected the HWC 2022 Scholarship recipients! This year we will be awarding two \$1000 scholarships. One of the recipients is Noah Colasanti. Noah is a student at Walsh Jesuit High School and is planning to attend Purdue University in the fall, majoring in Aerospace Engineering. The second recipient, Gabe Colbrunn, is a student at Highland High School and is planning to attend Kent State University, majoring in Robotics Engineering.

Both young men have some impressive academic achievements, as well as admirable community service. Both of the winners will be attending our April general meeting to read their essays. I'm sure you will agree that they are worthy recipients of our two \$1,000 scholarships.

- Pat Fordosi, Jen Barauskas Spradlin, Wendy Burns



### **LEGENDARY NEWS:**

Our thanks to the members of the Hinckley Women's Club for voting to give us a LifeTime Membership. What an honor! Forty years ago we hoped that this organization would not only be beneficial for the women in the community but would also be a worthwhile and supportive group for the township. This Club would not be what it is today without the past and present members that have helped to carry out the objectives.

- Heather and Cheryl



### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:**

Hippity Hoppity Hop!



Hello Spring!!! Easter is on its way!

Let's celebrate some of those Spring birthdays!

#### **Happy Birthday....**

Laura Krzywicki	April 6
Beth Crosley	April 13
Nancy Mandilakis	April 17
Gayle Staron	May 4
Debbie Moss	May 31
Denise Shimandle	May 31

Spring is the perfect time to visit any of our local garden centers to add a little breath of fresh air and flowers to our homes... especially since we hope to see more and more sunshine in our days!

- Sunshine Committee  
Karin Rupert – Nancy Mandilakis



### **MARCH SPEAKER:**

Our very own Heather Liccardi was the special speaker at our March meeting... She spoke of the history of our Hinckley Women's Club, including how it all started **forty years ago!** She even brought along some of her "friends" from crafts done before by HWC...







## **Philanthropy**

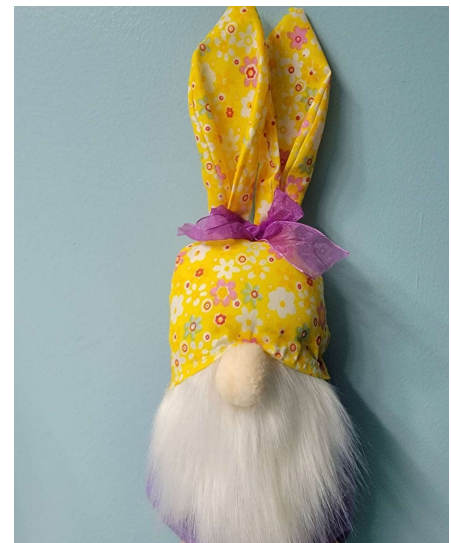
Philanthropy funds in the amount of \$200 have been distributed to the Gabriel Project. The Gabriel Project® is a confidential and compassionate outreach to women who are distressed over an unplanned pregnancy. A trained "Gabriel Angel" from a participating church supports the woman's choice for life through friendship, encouragement, and prayer throughout her pregnancy. In addition to providing emotional and spiritual support, the "Gabriel Angel" helps the expectant mom with various practical needs, including finding resources such as the following:

- Pregnancy information and assistance with prenatal care
- Maternity and baby clothes, cribs, strollers, and various baby items
- Referrals for housing, medical care and counseling
- Parenting support or adoption information
- There is no charge for these services and they do not discriminate because of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, or religious affiliation of their clients.

In addition to this, two-hundred and fifty dollars has been given to a local family that is experiencing financial need. It is through the generosity and hard work of our members that we are able to lighten the financial burden that others are carrying. A mission of the HWC is to

assist residents in Hinckley and surrounding communities with special needs. If you have a family, individual or organization that might benefit from a donation, please contact Debbie Moss or myself. Please be assured that all names will be kept confidential.

- [Patty LaFontaine](#)

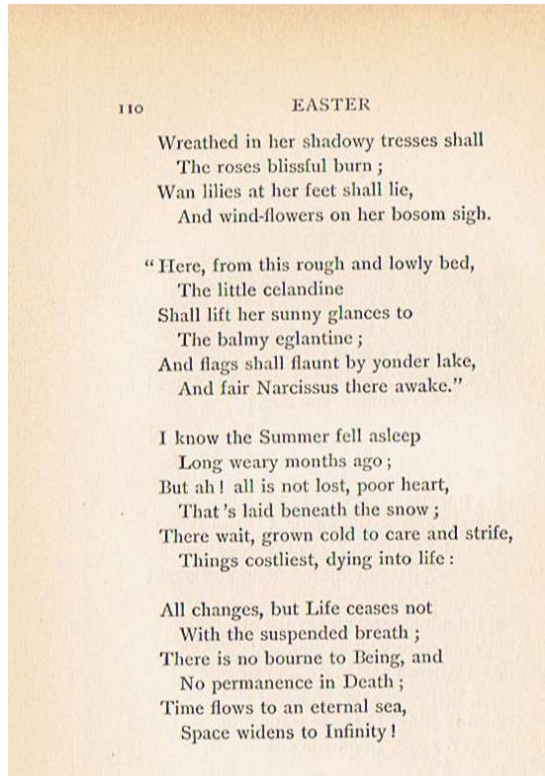


**We are all about the gnome!**

## **Beginning of MAY Social Committee Outing:**

Come join HWC members at our local Hoppy Dudes in downtown Hinckley on Friday May 6th starting at 6 p.m. Hoppy Dudes will have the Bytchn Kitchen Food Truck on site for dinner. If you are able to make it please RSVP Marge Palik at [mpalik@aol.com](mailto:mpalik@aol.com) so she can start a tally of members that will be attending.

- [Vicki Tift](#)



## HWC - A Look Inside.... HOP HOP HOP HOP

Greetings Everyone.

I’m Ann Leo and I am a candidate for President of the Hinckley Women’s Club. At the March Meeting I was nominated as a candidate for President but could not attend as a long-standing date to see my granddaughter in her first play required me to be in California that weekend. Since I could not speak to you then, I wanted to introduce myself and explain why I am running for President.

Older members know me as the past President of the Women’s Club from 2018-2020 and First Vice President from 2017-2018. My husband and I have been residents of Hinckley since 1998 when we built our home here and raised

our three children who are all adults now. We have four grandchildren, all from my son who lives in California, so I do travel there 4-5 times a year. Otherwise, my other two children live in Ohio and visit the homestead often. We love the home we have built and decided that this is where we will stay during our retirement. I am retired from the practice of law after almost 40 years in 2018. My husband is also a retired lawyer. We now occupy our time updating our 24 year old home and raising a golden retriever who is almost 2 years old. Why I ever agreed to get a puppy escapes me (I think he was a COVID project!) but he is extremely loveable and keeps us busy.

I would like to serve as President for the 2022-2023 membership year because (God willing!) we will be able to plan activities and do things within our community without the disruption and uncertainty that COVID created. I have the time and the energy to devote to making those plans come to fruition. My feeling is that everyone would like to get back to having fun, sharing good times with our fellow members and helping within our community. We can accomplish a lot of good within our community with our combined efforts of hosting the Easter Egg Hunt, helping with Buzzard Day, helping with the township’s Christmas events as well as our own philanthropic initiatives. My feeling is that 2022-2023 will be an opportunity for the Women’s Club to renew its purpose and I would be honored to help.

- Ann Leo



### **HWC - A Look Inside<sup>2</sup>...**

#### **HOPPITY HOPPITY HOP**

Chris is wrapping up her second year with HWC and her first year as club secretary. Her family has lived in Hinckley for about 20 years. Chris' husband, Jake and her have two adult daughters who fortunately live close and she gets to spoil her grandson all the time. At age 70, Chris still works as a newspaper reporter. In August, she started working for the Hinckley Record reporting about all things Hinckley. Having previously worked for Sun Newspapers as a reporter/photographer, public relations director for N. Royalton Schools for about ten years, then back to reporting for the Post Newspapers for about nine years, she has a ton of experience. When Post Newspapers went online only, she chose to work for the Hinckley Record and loves it. Her hobbies are hiking (she is a 12-year volunteer in Cuyahoga Valley National Park), kayaking, clay sport shooting and reading. While she enjoys being around people, Chris does not like large crowds or loud noises – hence all the outdoor activities. Her favorite saying is one from her mother who would tell her this if she was upset about something;

*"Never give up, always wait one more day, something will change to make life better!"*

- Chris Studor

### **HWC - A Look Inside<sup>3</sup>.... Inside...**

#### **HOP HOP HOP**

Debbie Moss has been a Hinckley resident for 24 years and loves her Boston Commons development. She has so many friends and knows most of her neighbors and enjoys patio crawls in the summer along with block parties when she organizes them. She and her husband, Bill are generally empty nesters as Tyler is studying geology at Univ. of Cincinnati and Kyle got married this past Oct. but lives just around the corner in Brunswick which is great. Debbie currently works part time at Antonios in Brunswick which is a major change from her career as a recreation therapist at Parma/UH. NO STRESS!! She loves to socialize and is active in many groups at St. Ambrose. Debbie has been in HWC since 2016 and on the board since 2018, and has enjoyed serving as 1st vp and President despite covid and will be sad to be off the board in the fall but will always be available for any assistance the club needs. Debbie has "met so many terrific ladies and made so many new friendships through HWC. Thank You!" Debbie's hobbies are reading via audio books, music/dancing and travel besides hanging out with friends. Her faith has grown over the years and she likes to live with the thought of everything happens for a reason. We may not know the reason for a while, but eventually we may find out. Always looking for friends to go out with, so call her!!

- Debbie Moss





### **HWC - A Look Inside4...** **HOPPITY HOP**

Amy O'Neil lives in Sharon Twp. and is married to Paul who loves golf. She has 2 sons: Ryan a junior at the Career Center and Mack a 6th grader at HMS. Amy's hobbies include trail riding on her Tennessee Walking horse, and she also enjoys biking, kayaking, wave running, and camping with her sons or with her horse. Traveling with her horse is easy since he listens well and doesn't talk back!



"To hell with housework, I'll be trail riding" seems to fit right now!."

- Amy O'Neil

### **Hinckley Greeters:**

Our Hinckley Greeters started up again at the end of March. We stopped and greeted fifteen new residents in homes this time around. We even got to meet some really cool doggies and Himalayan kitties.



### **CALLING ALL HWC MEMBERS!!!**

Looking for helpers to assist in decorating the old fire station bays for the Memorial Day ceremony on Friday, May 27 at noon. We are also in need of some amazing women to help pass out the donuts after the Memorial Day Ceremony from approximately 10:30-11:30 am.

Anyone interested can contact Melissa directly.

[Maugustine@hinckleytpw.org](mailto:Maugustine@hinckleytpw.org)

- Melissa Augustine

### **STOP THE PRESSES!**

#### **40th ANNIVERSARY PICNIC.**

Ladies please mark your calendar for THURSDAY, JUNE 2nd @ 6:00pm at the BROOKLYN EXCHANGE CABIN for our 40th Anniversary Picnic. We wanted to pick a date early in June before people's travel and social calendars filled up. In addition, we wanted a venue that had an enclosed area in case of inclement weather ( which is likely in early June). Pat Fordosi was able to retain the cabin for us which gives us the opportunity to serve libations and is free! (Thanks again Pat!).

So, please be sure to come. We are planning a fun evening.

If anyone would like to help, please contact Ann Leo at [leoann1280@gmail.com](mailto:leoann1280@gmail.com) or 330-304-5988.

- Ann Leo

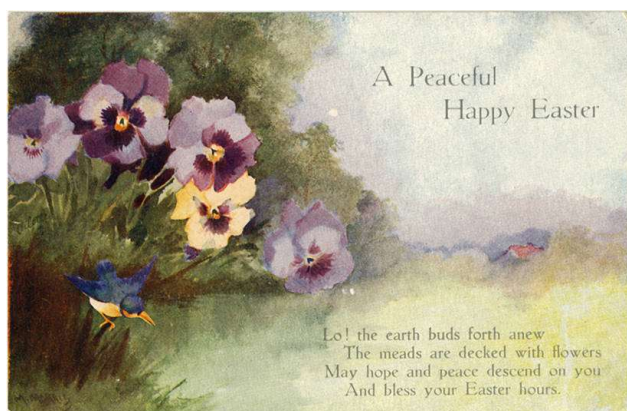




#### **FOURTH Important Lesson – The obstacle in Our Path.**

In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the King's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it.. Many loudly blamed the King for not keeping the roads clear, but none did Anything about getting the stone out of the way.

Then, a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the King indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway. The peasant learned what many of us never understand: Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.



#### **Mark your Calendar:**

##### **Weymouth Winery Social Event**

2398 Weymouth Road, Hinckley

Wine tasting and snacks

Wednesday, May 25 @ 6:00 p.m.

Have you ever wondered about the small vineyard and orchard on Rt 606? Now is our chance to find out about this award-winning winery! Weymouth Winery is a small family-owned business located in Hinckley.

Their wines are well received and have won numerous awards, including GOLD and SILVER medals at numerous prestigious wine competitions, such as the International Wine Competition (Sonoma, CA), San Francisco International Wine Competition, Finger Lakes International Wine Competition, Tasters Guild, and the Ohio Wine Competition. They are also growers of the most delicious Asian Pears in season.

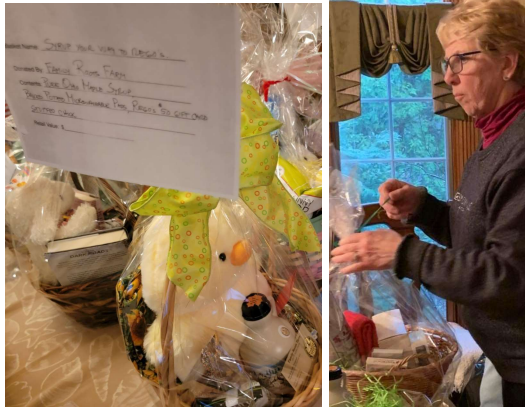
- Patty LaFontaine





### **Baskets Galore:**

A bunch of us gals got together at Ann Leo's house last Wednesday to put the Easter Egg Hunt Raffle Baskets together.



### **Annual HWC Easter Egg Hunt:**

The annual Hinckley Women's Club Easter Egg Hunt raffle features 35+ baskets.

Highlights of baskets include:

- Indians/aka: Guardians basket
- Golf at Valleyaire
- Golf at Pine Hills
- 3 separate personal training baskets - one on training and yoga classes
- Several kids' activity baskets
- Several gift cards - local favorites: Fosters, Giant Eagle, Moxley, Bruno, and Regos
- Two baskets of gift cards and other gifts from Engage Virtual Gun Range
- Organic soaps and bathroom accessories by Immortelle Soap & Body



Come one, come all to our annual HWC Easter Egg hunt and raffle. This Saturday, April 16th @ 11 a.m.!!!!

The Easter Bunny has been known to make an appearance here,

So, BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!

- Lauren Alterman and the rest of the gals





### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Saturday, April 16th - 11 a.m.**

Easter Egg Hunt at Our Lady of Grace Church,  
1088 Ridge Rd., Hinckley

**Thursday, April 21st General Meeting - 7 p.m.**

Hinckley Town Hall, 1410 Ridge Road

*Featuring:* William Krejci speaking about Franklin Castle.

**Thursday, May 5th Board Meeting - 7 p.m.**

@ Debbie Moss's house

**Friday, May 6th - 6 p.m.**

Hoppy Dudes Brewery

**Sunday, May 8th Newsletter Deadline**

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

**Thursday, May 19th - Installation Banquet**

- Bunker Hill Golf Course

**Wednesday, May 25th - 6 p.m.**

Weymouth Winery Social Event

**Monday, May 30th - Memorial Day Parade**

Meet at 8:15 a.m.

- parade starts at 9 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace Church

**Thursday, June 2nd - 6 p.m.**

40th Anniversary Picnic Celebration  
Brooklyn Exchange Cabin

**The Easter Egg Hunt is Here to Stay...  
SO. HOP ON BY THIS COMING APRIL  
16TH... TO THE ONE, THE ONLY HWC  
SPONSORED EASTER EGG HUNT AT  
OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH ON  
RIDGE ROAD IN HINCKLEY...**

**REMEMBER TO CHECKOUT OUR  
WEBSITE AT  
WWW.HINCKLEYWOMENSCLUB.COM**

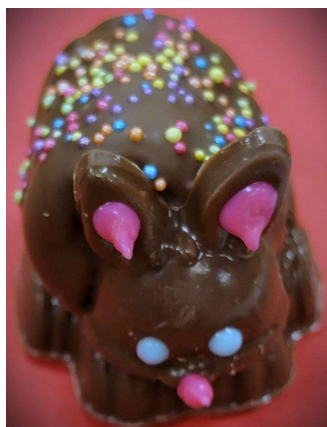
**AND DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR  
FACEBOOK PAGE TOO!!!**

"YARD BY YARD, LIFE IS HARD.  
INCH BY INCH, IT'S A CINCH."

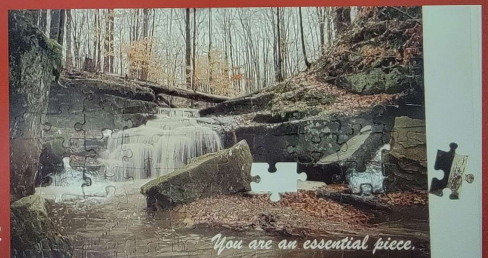
My intent with this newsletter is to make it fun  
and informative. I spend a lot of time editing  
and inserting and formatting. Hope you all enjoy  
it!!! As always, take care, everyone!

**HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOURS!!!  
TRY NOT TO GET TOO FULL ON CHOCOLATE  
BUNNIES.**

- Lynne Rotundo



Together we share of our time and our talent.  
Beginning with a small group of community-minded  
women, HWC has grown into one of the most active and  
respected organizations in the area. At the same time,  
lasting friendships formed. **And so we continue.**



1981-2022

*You are an essential piece.*