

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of myself and our hardworking Board, we would like to wish all of you a happy and healthy holidays with those you love. It is hard to believe that 2023 is almost over. We are grateful for all of you who make out community service and philanthropy projects a success. The Hinckley Women's Club is an integral part of our community in which we live. We help wherever we can but we also have a good time too!

I hope to see you at our Christmas Party on December 14th at 6:30pm. There is always a lot of great food and fun. There will be more information further inside the newsletter. Save the date of Thursday, January 18th for our Soup & Chili night along with Bingo for our January meeting. Be sure to invite a friend. Merry Christmas everyone and a Happy New Year!

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- Ann Leo, President



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

Well, the weather outside is a bit frightful, But our hearts are so delightful We wish these ladies the happiest of birthdays:

December



- Tracey Szczesniak 12th



- Michele Lee 13th



- Joanne Piotrowski 27th

We hope you have a Merry Christmas, and your day is filled with blessings, hope and joy!

- Connie Huth, Karin Rupert

Our next Pop-Up Member Event will be next week at Manzo;s Sports & Spirits, 65 Pearl Rd., Brunswick, on Tuesday, December 19th at 5:30 pm. Hope to see you there!





Greeter Visits

We have taken a winter break from our Hinckley Greeter Visits as of the beginning of November, but will resume around March of 2024, and we will pick up where we left off at that time! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our new residents!









HWC T-SHIRTS:

We have many new members and some gorgeous HWC T Shirts that we wear for certain events. Prices range from \$15 - \$25 depending on what style you want. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, contact Heather Liccardi at hliccardi@yahoo.com.

- Heather Liccardi



Fundraising

Also, a reminder to email your ideas for the Easter Egg Hunt fundraiser for the online auction of 'experiences' and other larger items, to Vicki Tifft @ vtifft6@gmail.com.

Lauren Alterman

<u>UPCOMING HINCKLEY EVENTS, ACTIVITIES</u> <u>AND OPPORTUNITIES</u>

A number of Hinckley charitable organizations have been busy this Summer, making plans for events and fundraising activities in the near or distant future. Some of these activities either currently, or in time, will involve or impact the HWC. So in the interest of keeping members informed, here's the scoop!

Hinckley will be celebrating its Bicentennial on July 19, 2025. Yeah, it sounds early to be talking about this, but planning for a celebration of this size takes a very long time and a lot of work. One of our members, Vicki Tifft, and her husband, are leading this endeavor, and a couple of other HWC members are on the steering committee. Soon the various subcommittees will be contacting Hinckley businesses and organizations to see how they would like to participate in this celebration. This may involve helping out with activities such as children's games, a parade, setups, contests, music, food, entertainment, etc., but it will also provide opportunities for organizations and businesses to do some fundraising. Start thinking about how HWC can play a part.

Our area will be host to the best viewing of the Solar Eclipse to take place on Monday, April 8, 2024. These types of astronomy events draw spectators from all across the country (and beyond) to get optimal viewing. Already, lodging all around the area is booked for this event, and many businesses and organizations are capitalizing on this opportunity for fundraising. The HWC is also on board. The Brooklyn Exchange Club (BEC) will be selling packages to tent camping couples for a private 5-day camping stay on the grounds of their cabin. The packages will be advertised on the BEC's Solar Eclipse website:

www.eclipsefest.info. Although their package

includes catering, campsite, entertainment, etc., the BEC is letting HWC supplement their package with some merchandise sales for HWC fundraising. We have a committee that was formed, and has met with the BEC's committee to discuss our role. We will present our plans at the September meeting and consider additional ideas. At a minimum, the HWC will be selling solar glasses (already purchased) for \$3.00 a piece. Advance advertising for the purchase of these glasses will begin soon. If you want one, please see Pat at the meeting.

SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING GLASSES

Ladies, the Hinckley Women's Club (HWC) has an on-going fundraiser, through April, selling Solar Eclipse Glasses for the April 8, 2024 Solar Eclipse viewing. These glasses are made in the USA and are CE and ISO Certified, safe for Direct Sun Viewing. Glasses sell for \$3.00 a pair and \$2.00 from every pair supports the HWC. Please consider purchasing a pair(s) for you and for your family members. We are hoping HWC members will step up and sell a few glasses to friends and neighbors too. We have 300 to sell. So please contact Pat at 330-461-0726 to purchase yours or get a supply to sell. Stock up now for your April Solar Eclipse party!



- Pat Fordosi

Philanthropy:

Our Hinckley Police Department is collecting ring tabs off of pop cans. Donations go to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northeast Ohio.

Thank you to everyone who donated hats, mittens, and scarves to help the Hinckley Police Department with "Shop with a Cop". We collected 50 hats, 25 pairs of mittens and 10 scarves.

There were 10 kids from Hinckley and they each received a hat and mittens, the 4 older girls also received scarves. The remainder were provided to the larger group at the FOP (Hinckley Police are a part of this group). There were about 100 kids in total. They used them as prizes for a trivia game. Jim Ascherl asked that we pass on to the HWC his and the Hinckley Policy Departments "thank you" for our generosity and always helping. Thanks again for all your support.

- Leslee Sambor & Kathy Schreck



And, of course, the newsletter would not be complete without some *more* pictures!...







WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Take inventory
- Read Labels
- Store chemicals properly
- Use safer products inside and out





























<u>Hinckley Chamber of Commerce</u> (hinckleyohiochamber.org)

Thank you!!!

The 2023 Hinckley Holiday Lighting Celebration could not have been the success it was without our ladies in blue shirts handing out cookies and hot chocolate. The smiles and greetings and skill at helping people feel festive were wonderful!

 Heather Liccardi, Liaison & Chamber Secretary

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, December 14th - HWC Christmas Party at Hinckley Town Hall @ 6:30 p.m

Sunday, January 7th - Newsletter deadline - email Lynne @ sparklynne102@gmail.com

Thursday, January 11th - 6:30 p.m. - Board Meeting at Lynne's home

Sunday, January 14th - Castle Noel Visit - more details will be coming on this. Followed by a late lunch/early dinner.

Thursday, January 18th - 7 p.m. - General Meeting, Chili / Soup & Game Night



The "Inside Scoop"
Tiffany's husband and our children (ages 16 and 14) have been living in Hinckley for ten years. She is an Art Historian and has completed her doctoral degree at CWRU. Tiffany has taught undergraduate art history at several colleges and universities and has lectured throughout the United States and in Europe. She continues to publish her research in art journals, books, and museum catalogs. Tiffany also owns an all-natural apothecary and makes art-historically-inspired body products and coconut wax and wooden wick candles, all with sustainable ingredients, often locally

Tiffany enjoys history, traveling, reading, collecting art, DIY home projects, landscape design, painting, and, most of all, watching her children compete athletically or play instruments. She loves taking walks with her husband and sitting on their patio with a glass of wine or margarita until the sun sets.

All the best,

Tiffany

sourced.

Recipe Corner:

Taco Pie Dip

Set oven to 350 degrees. Use large pie pan or quiche pan.

Cream Cheese Mixture:

- 1 Philly Cream Cheese
- ½ cup Sour Cream
- Cut green onions to taste
- Mix together and spread evenly in pie dish

Then,

Brown ½ lb. ground turkey, beef, or chicken – Drain.

Add 1 package of Ortega Taco Mix. (follow recipe on package, it might just be adding water).

Mix in some salsa to your taste.

Cut up tomatoes, and black olives, and green onions and put them in separate container together.

Cook meat on layer of cream cheese mixture for about ten (10) minutes. Then layer some shredded cheddar cheese on top, and cook for five (5) more minutes. Add the olives, tomatoes and onions, and cook for 1 or 2 more minutes.

Serve with your favorite taco chips. (Recommend using Tostitos Restaurant Style.)









"I never thought it was such a bad little tree. It's not bad at all, really. Maybe it just needs a little love."



A little update on our tree:

Although we came in 2nd Place, our Small Town Big Hearts Hinckley Women's Club tree was beautiful, creative, and a true representation of our community ties. This tree represented all 43 members of our Hinckley Women's Club well!
[A little side note: There are 43 hand created ornaments, as well as some beautiful hearts and clusters of red and silver and iridescent ornaments on this tree that represent the Hinckley Women's Club being around for our 43rd year in 2024, as well as the 43 members that we currently have in our group!]

Community, Philanthropic, Social



things in life are not things.
They're people and places,
memories and pictures.
They're feelings and moments
and smiles and laughter.



From our house to yours....
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, and
TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT!!!!
Happy New Year Too!!!!

- Lynne Rotundo