



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome 2024! Hope all of you were able to be healthy enough to celebrate. Everybody I know, including myself, caught a cold, or flu, or Covid or whatever. I have never meant it more when I wish everyone a healthy New Year.

We have a lot to look forward to in the coming Year. We hope to see you at our January meeting, January 17th at Town Hall at 7pm. We will sample soups (possibly chili) to warm us on a cold night and some Bingo!

There will be updates on the Easter Egg Hunt as well as Buzzard Day. These two events occur back to back this year with a very early Easter on March 31st. We will need everyone to help out in any way they can between now and March 30th- the Easter Egg Hunt! More information will follow about these events and upcoming social events. So don't hibernate, come join us for some fun.

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- Ann Leo, President

FEBRUARY MEETING -

***Please note Date Change

The February Monthly Meeting will be held:

**Thursday, February 8th
@ 7:00 PM
at Coco Cafe on Ridge Rd.**

Please come to the Coco Cafe where we have a presentation by Laura, the owner and head baker while enjoying scrumptious bakery and a warm beverage.

We will also have our regular meeting. Thanks,

- Patty LaFontaine

AND ALSO...

Hosts/Hostesses are needed for the future Gourmet Dinner.. More discussion regarding this will be at the January 18th meeting. Please see Jacqueline Merker if interested. Thank you!



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

Wishing the following ladies Happy Birthday:



Joanne Polizzi - January 7th



Sherrill Parle - January 25th



Chris Studor - January 30th



Connie Huth - January 31st

May the new year bring you exciting opportunities, endless possibilities, and the courage to chase your dreams. Happy New Year!

- Connie Huth, Karin Rupert



New Member event: White Elephant gift exchange to officially end the holidays. Wednesday, January 24th - 6:15 p.m. - Christmas White Elephant Member Gathering to end the holidays at Lynne's house. Bring your wrapped white elephant gift for a fun holiday send-off with light appetizers and desserts and some "cookies" too!



HWC T-SHIRTS:

Our wonderful blue shirts can be ordered by contacting Heather Llicardi, If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, at hliccardi@yahoo.com.

- Heather Llicardi



Fundraising

Easter Egg Hunt On-line Raffle Items Needed!

We are looking for 5 experiences or special items to raffle off on-line for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please contact Vicki Tiff if you have ideas or donations of experiences or special items that we can raffle off. One immediate need we have is to have members volunteer to donate one bottle of alcohol so we can create two large offerings for the raffle. These are always good items to raffle off. If you are able to bring a bottle to the January or February meeting please do so and we'll add it to the basket.

We will also be raffling off a Spaghetti Dinner for up to 10 people to take place in the winner's home. The dinner will be catered by the HWC who will work behind the scenes to make the food and deliver it to the winning bidder. More information to

follow on this auction item. In the meantime, send an email to Vicki Tifft if you would like to be involved in this gourmet offering.

Other items that would be great to have on the on-line auction are listed below. If you know of anyone that we can approach to offer this service or experience up please let us know and we'll contact them.

1. Booze basket #1
2. Booze basket #2
3. Car rust protection
4. Gourmet spaghetti dinner for up to 10 people
5. Hot air balloon ride
6. Restaurant experiences (could be a pack of several restaurant gift certificates)
7. Dental offerings
8. Hinckley basket (with certificates from local Hinckley businesses/residents)

I'm sure there are more auction items that we can come up with. Our goal is to choose the top 5-8 items and auction them off to try out this new method of raising funds for the HWC.

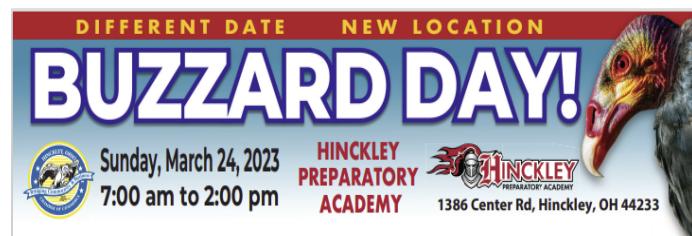
Thank you!

Vicki Tifft - vtifft6@gmail.com.

- Vicki Tifft



UPCOMING HINCKLEY EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES



SOLAR ECLIPSE/SOLAR GLASSES

Ladies.....Great news! As of the writing of this article, we have sold all but 4 of the Solar Glasses, and Pat Fordosi already has a taker for the last 4. Actually< she purchased an additional 25 for a total of 325 glasses bought. With a little extra in donations, the HWC will be making \$656.50. Easy peasy! She thinks she could easily sell more, but doesn't want to purchase more without the HWC's OK, to avoid getting "stuck" with any unsold ones. We can discuss this at the January meeting.

With regard to the upcoming Solar Eclipse....in September/October the HWC was informed that the Brooklyn Exchange Club (BEC) would be hosting a camping package at their locale, and that the HWC would be participating by selling some items. She is sorry to say that the BEC's event was canceled due to an insufficient

response by their cut off date, therefore, the HWC will NOT be doing any other fundraising at the BEC cabin.



2025 HINCKLEY BICENTENNIAL

As mentioned last Fall, the 2025 Hinckley Bicentennial Committee has been meeting, and 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. It may be time for HWC to set up a "one time" committee to start brainstorming how the HWC can participate. Please give it some thought!

- Pat Fordosi

Philanthropy:

Salvation Army, Adopt-a-Family for Christmas

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our Adopt-a-Family Christmas project. Through your generosity we were able to provide everything on the kids' lists, plus a few extras. Also, we provided two (2) bags of food to help with their Christmas dinner. I'm sure this family had a very Merry Christmas, thanks to the HWC! We are truly blessed to

have such caring members, who are always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need.

Thank You.

- Leslee Sambor & Kathy Schreck

Kindness makes you
the most beautiful person
in the world, no matter
what you look like.

(Quotes Diary)

Easter Egg Hunt Kids Toys Needed

It is that time of year again that we are making plans for the HWC Annual Easter Egg Hunt! We are in need of small toys (both boys and girls) for 2yr olds, 3yr olds, 4 yr old and 1st graders, also for 3rd grade boys. If you are in the Dollar Store, Target Dollar Bins or anyplace else that has inexpensive toys, and you can pick up a few that would be greatly appreciated. We try to keep the toys around \$1.00. You can turn in your receipts to get reimbursed if you want.

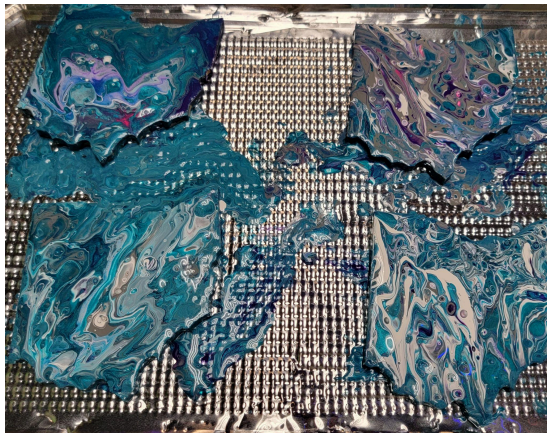
It would be great if we could have the gifts by the February meeting, to

make sure we have enough, since the Easter Egg Hunt is at the end of March.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Thanks

Kathy Schreck



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







Community, Philanthropic, Social

Hinckley Chamber of Commerce (hinckleyohiochamber.org)

Thank you!!!

The 2023 Hinckley Holiday Lighting Celebration could not have been the success it was without our awesome Hinckley Women's Club members - Special Thanks to Marilyn Mocarski, Judy Ogrin, Michele Lee, Lynne Rotundo, Patty Colvin, Karin Rupert, Leslee Sambor, Kathy Schreck, and Carol Owens!!!

- [Heather Liccardi, Liaison](#)

Upcoming Events:

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

Wednesday, January 24th - 6:15 p.m. - Christmas White Elephant Member Gathering to end the holidays at Lynne's house. Bring your wrapped white elephant gift for a fun holiday send-off with light appetizers and desserts and some "cookies" too!

Sunday, February 4th - Newsletter deadline - email Lynne @ sparklynne102@gmail.com

February 8th - Meeting / COCO Cafe - 7 p.m.

February 19th - 7 p.m. Board Meeting at Joanne Polizzi's home.

February 17th - Gourmet Dinner?

February 25th, 12:30 p.m.

Castle Noel with an early dinner at Dominic's
An off-season visit to keep us in tune with the holidays and it will be less crowded too!

The "Inside Scoop"

Due to the craziness of the holidays, we had a delay in getting the "Inside Scoop", so here goes:

Lynne Rotundo has been a resident of Hinckley since 2020... Yes, in the middle of "covid", they bought their house and moved her from Strongsville. Been married for twenty-eight years, Mike and Lynne have one daughter who is currently attending Ohio University, 3 dogs (all rescues), and one elusive cat. She loves all kinds of art projects, and even has a side business of Home Painting parties in which she customizes the painting based on what the customer wants, and then teaches it to the people at the party. Lynne graduated from Baldwin Wallace with a Computer Information Systems degree, and also a Business Management degree from Cuyahoga Community College. Currently, Lynne works as a Web Programmer for Hinckley Township. Prior to this, she did the "corporate thing" and worked for UPS for almost 25 years. Lynne loves meeting new people. She likes to focus on the positive and loves to give compliments. "Life is short, so enjoy every moment".

Recipe Corner:

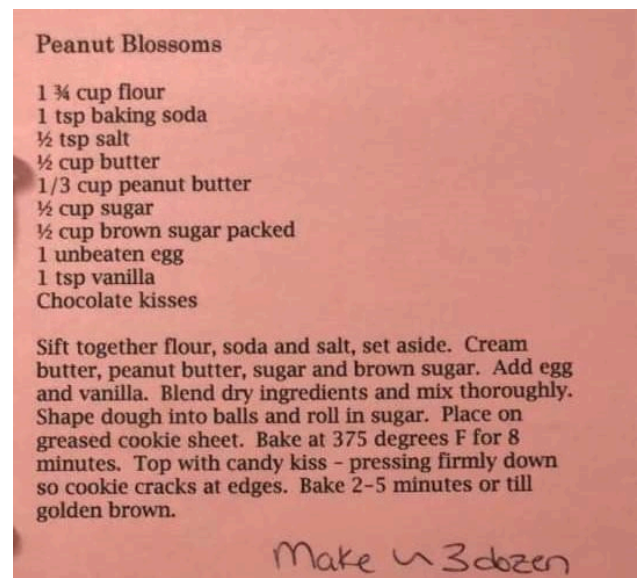
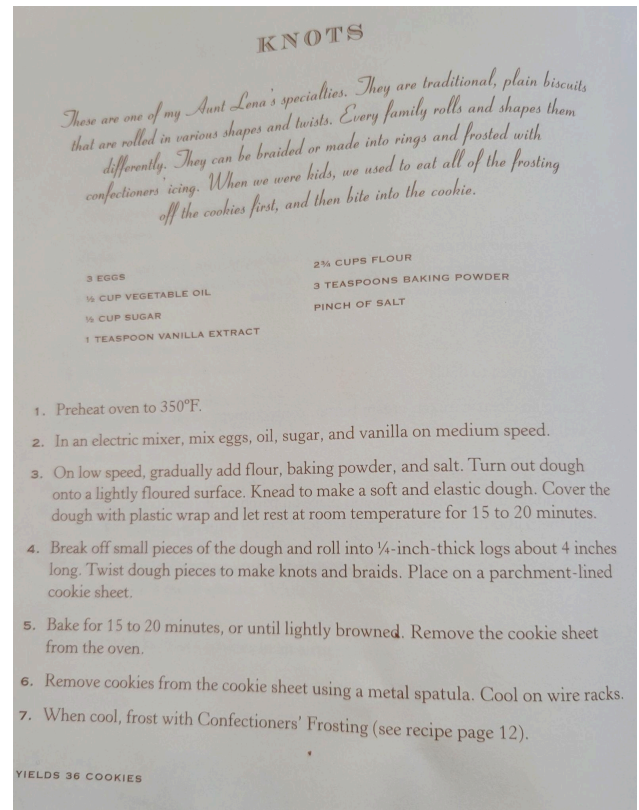
Impossible Pie

From Christmas party

2 cups milk
4 eggs
1 cup flaked coconut
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup flour
1 stick margarine
2 tsp vanilla
1/2 tsp salt

Measure all ingredients into blender.
Blend until all ingredients are mixed and smooth except some bits of coconut.
Grease 10 in pie pan. Pour in mixture.

Bake 350 oven. 40 to 45 minutes.
Cool slightly before serving.
Enjoy



It's easy to judge.
It's more difficult **to understand.**

Understanding requires compassion,
patience, and a willingness to believe
that good hearts sometimes choose
poor methods.

Through judging, we separate.
Through understanding, we grow.

Doe Zantamata



Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday!
Here's hoping 2024 is the best year ever,
full of health, happiness, love and strength
of heart!

- Lynne Rotundo

