



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings everyone. It's that time of year where Spring is just around the corner but we need to struggle through March weather first. It could rain, hail, freeze and snow all in the same day! But there is plenty to keep us busy this month.

Before you know it, St. Patrick's Day will be here and the buzzards will return to Hinckley. Remember, the Chamber's Buzzard Day Pancake Breakfast and Craft Fair will take place the following weekend, March 24th at Hinckley Preparatory Academy on Ridge Rd. (the old elementary school). Please plan on coming out to support this fundraiser by having some delicious breakfast and having fun at the many activities. Speaking of Buzzard Day, our own member, Beth Crosley has done a phenomenal job of organizing and preparing for the HWC's both at the Craft Fair - "Date with a Book". We had success with our book sale last year. This year we have tons more books and hopefully people will enjoy browsing and buying! Thank you to all the members who donated books and helped with the wrapping.

That will be a busy week. That Wednesday, March 27th we will have a Basket Party at Ann Leo's house at 6:30pm. We assemble the baskets for raffle, prepare the bins for the different age levels with candy and prizes, have a Board meeting, and have fun while we are doing it. For those of you who have signed up, see you there. If you are new to the Easter Egg Hunt and would like to get a feel for what we do, contact Kathy Schreck about signing up. Kschreck@roadrunner.com.

This all leads up to Saturday, March 30th, the

HWC Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Hinckley Preparatory Academy on Ridge Rd. The Hunt is scheduled for 11am but we open earlier for sale of raffle tickets. Please contact Kathy Schreck if you would like to volunteer that day. I want to thank all of the members who have contributed to make this Easter Egg Hunt happen.

New this year, HWC is launching an online auction of wonderful experiences and baskets that will go live in mid-March and continue until early April. More information will be available in the next week or so.

Our March meeting on the 21st at 7:00pm at Town Hall will feature our own member/officer - Leslee Sambor discussing her completion of her first novel, Don't Tell Zina. We can finalize our plans for the Easter Egg Hunt & Raffle, discuss the new slate of officers for next year, and discuss Leslee's journey to becoming an author. Please make plans to attend. See you soon.

leoann1280@gmail.com.

- Ann Leo, President



A Message from our Author:

I am excited about the invitation to speak with the Women’s Club about my book at our March meeting!

Some of you have read it or are reading it now, but that won’t be a requirement for what I will share with you.

I will talk about why I wrote it and how and answer any questions about the story (without spoilers if I can!) I can also talk in general about family trees if anyone would like to find out how to research their own family.

I will have some books on hand for purchase (\$16.00), and of course if you want me to sign your copy, please bring it. 😊

You can also get the book from Amazon if you want to read it ahead of time.

Don't Tell Zina by Leslee Sambor

Thank you everyone for your support!!

- Leslee Sambor

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

Wishing these ladies the happiest and, of course, luckiest of birthdays this month!

-  Rachel Iwasovic - March 3 
-  Cindy Anderson - March 5 
-  Pat Fordosi - March 7 
-  Michelle Crew - March 15 
-  Amy O'Neil - March 15 
-  Karin Rupert - March 21 
-  Kim Young - March 27 

- Connie Huth, Karin Rupert



AND ALSO...

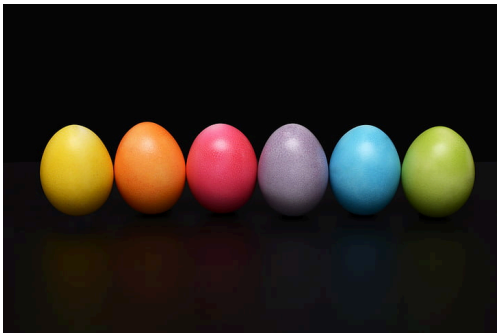
Thank you to Kati White for offering her home for our Kentucky Derby Gourmet Dinner on May 4th, 2024! Maximum of 40 people at Kati’s home. Meet @ 5:30 pm and wear a Kentucky Derby themed hat & attire. Recipes will be sent, a few make the same recipe. More information will be made available on this in our next newsletter. Contact Jacqueline Merker for more information.



Fundraising

Thank you everyone that signed up to help at the Easter Egg Hunt for setup on Fri 3/29 and Sat 3/30 the day of the Hunt. If you were not at the February meeting the signup sheet will be available at the March meeting or you can send me a message and I'll add you to the list. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

- Kathy Schreck



Easter Egg Hunt:

GET READY!! SPREAD THE WORD!

The HWC will be hosting an on-line auction this year from March 16 th to April 6 th , 2024.

We have eight (8) amazing auction items/experiences to bid on including:

1. Pre-season Browns tickets for two in the Kardiac Club. Seats come with food, beer, wine, seltzers and water.
2. A Sports and Fun basket loaded with tickets, prizes and merchandise
3. Catered Italian dinner for 8-10

people (catered by the HWC) in the home or approved location of the HWC

4. Hot Air Balloon ride in NE Ohio for two
5. Sandblast or Powder Coating for 4 outdoor furniture chairs OR 4 car/tire rims
6. Gold Bracelet
7. Bartenders Bliss – Yeti filled with libations for all occasions
8. Instant Whiskey Bar – cooler filled with whiskey to outfit any bar!

Let your friends and families know they can start bidding on March 16 th by clicking the link below:

https://givebutter.com/c/HWC_Auction

The HWC will be advertising all these auction items over the next couple of weeks so please share the links on social media and spread the word! All bidding will be done on-line so Everyone can bid regardless of where they are! Bidders will need to arrange to pick up their prize or arrange for shipping if they are the highest bidder.

- Vicki Tift

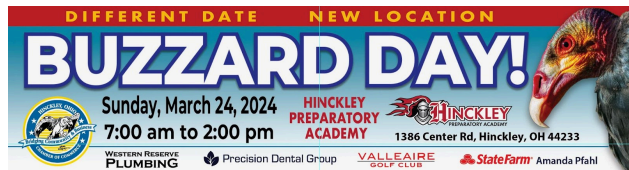
SOLAR ECLIPSE/SOLAR GLASSES

If you are interested in purchasing any solar glasses, they will be available at the next meeting. And then we will be selling them at Buzzard Day till they are gone.



- Pat Fordosi

Hinckley Chamber of Commerce (hinckleyohiochamber.org)



Buzzard Day is March 24 from 7 until 2. We will not be having our usual HWC Concierge Team this year. Instead, please sign up to help any way you want on the Chamber Sign-upGenius (hinckleyohchamber.com).

Wearing your gorgeous blue HWC shirt will be a big plus. It will show everyone who we are and what we do. We still have a few left for sale, and I have an extra you can borrow.

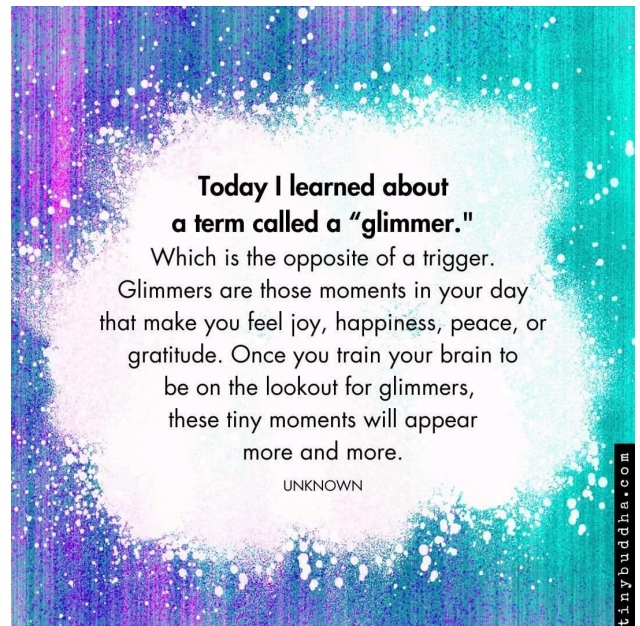
The Chamber will be hosting a golf outing at Valleaire Golf Club on May 17. So, golfers, start polishing your clubs! More info will follow.

The Chamber is offering 2 scholarships of \$1000 each to Hinckley residents currently pursuing post high school training or planning to do so in the fall. More information is available on the Chamber website. Deadline for applications is March 15.

<http://www.hinckleyohchamber.com> -
Scroll down to "Volunteer at 2024 Buzzard Day"

- Heather Liccardi, Liaison

Community, Philanthropic, Social



Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 21st @ 7 p.m. - HWC General Meeting at Hinckley Town Hall, 1410 Ridge Rd.

Sunday, March 24th - Buzzard Day

Wednesday, March 27th - Meet at Ann Leo's home to prepare baskets for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Friday, March 29th - Setup at Hinckley Preparatory Academy for the Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30th - Easter Egg Hunt begins at 11 a.m. - volunteers be there at 9:30 a.m.

There will be a New and Seasoned Member Pop-Up in April after the very busy March we have going on, as well as an upcoming Social Outing: Miss Hickory Tea room on Saturday, 4/27/24 at 11:30am.

HWC T-SHIRTS:

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

- Heather Liccardi

And now for the long awaited pictures of past events:



February 25th lunch at Dominic's in Medina, followed by an off-season visit to Castle Noel.



February 8th at Coco Cafe. Yummy treats and a great presentation by the owner, Laura Baciu.





**Some people
don't understand that
sitting in your own
house in peace, eating
snacks and minding
your own business is
priceless.**

Inside Scoop:

My name is Patty LaFontaine and I have been a resident of Hinckley for almost 38 years. I have two daughters; Dana and Annie. My husband, Jim, is retired from an IT career, and I retired in 2019 from the Cleveland Clinic. Being retired has allowed me to spend more time on my passion for gardening. I am currently a member of the Hinckley Garden Club and several other garden-related organizations.

Jim and I love to travel especially in Europe as well as US National Parks. One of my bucket-trip goals is to attend the winter Olympics. Additional interests include biking, cooking, drinking wine and summer patio dining especially where we can take Toffee, our Springer Spaniel. We are active members of St Ambrose Church in Brunswick where I am a member of the Ladies Guild.

Recipe World:

Easy Pineapple Dessert

INGREDIENTS

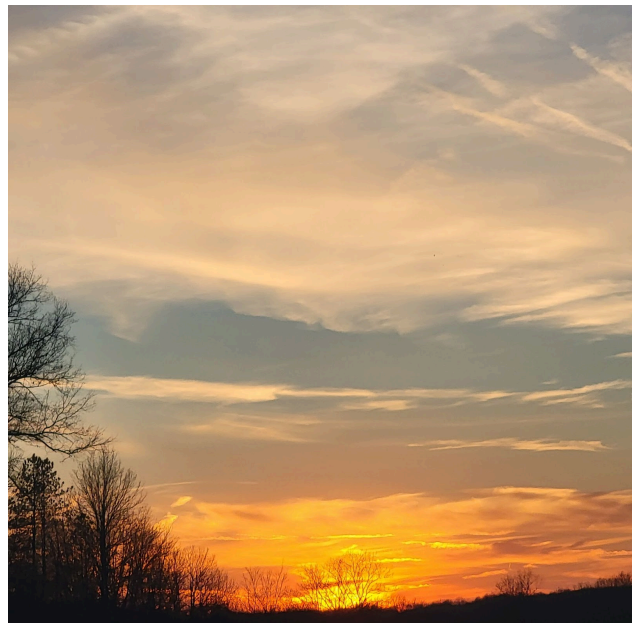
1 can (20 oz.) Crushed Pineapple in Juice, undrained

1 pkg. (3.4 oz.) Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding

1 cup thawed Whipped Topping

INSTRUCTIONS

Mix pineapple and dry pudding mix. Gently stir in whipped topping. Refrigerate for an hour before serving.

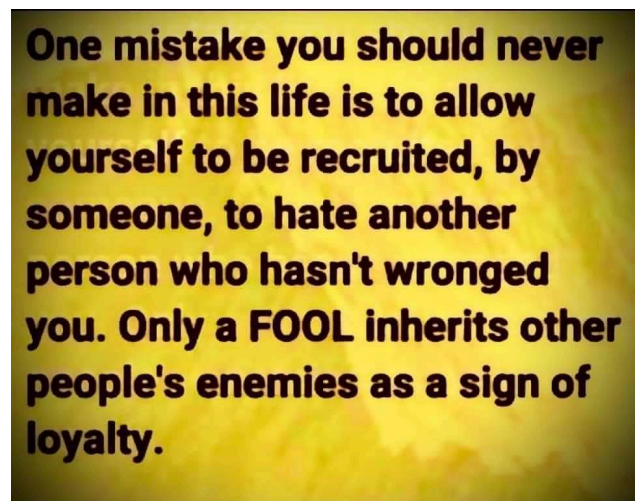
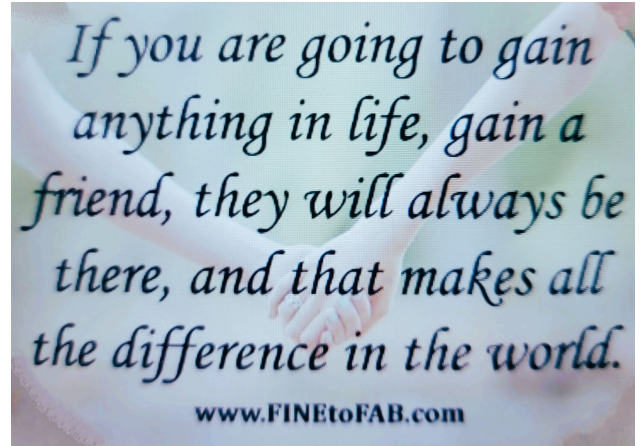




Nominating Slate:

- ❖ President: Lynne Rotundo
- ❖ 1st Vice President: Kati White
- ❖ 2nd Vice President: Lauren Alterman
- ❖ Secretary: Karin Rupert
- ❖ Treasurer: Leslee Sambor

This information will be presented at the March meeting.



If there is ever anything that you would like the Hinckley Woman's Club to improve upon, please feel free to let any of the board members know. We want to make sure that we all enjoy and work together for an interesting and worthwhile experience.

Hope everyone has a great St. Patrick's Day, and a wonderful early Easter!!! Enjoy the time with family or friends, and if you can, make a new friend wherever you go, for the luck of a good friendship will lead you to where you belong.

- Lynne Rotundo