

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings and Happy (belated) Valentine's Day to you all.

The longest month-year of January is finally past us!

The HWC shirts are in, so if you were not at our January meeting, the HWC shirts will be available for those that have ordered them prior to the end of 2024.

Scholarship information has been updated on the website, and the forms have been distributed to the schools. The deadline for submissions is March 15th!

We are looking forward to the Italian Gourmet Dinner on **March 1st**! Thank you to Joanne, Heather and Judy for hosting!

As of the January regular meeting, the members that attended unanimously agreed to have the actual general meeting start at 7:00 p.m., but if members want to come a bit earlier, we would open it up to have a little **Social Time** (with food) at 6:30 p.m. prior to the actual meeting. That way, no one feels rushed and we can then start the meeting on time at 7 p.m.

The time between the newsletters has been very busy. We had a Social event on February 1st at the Foundry in Medina. Then, we had another pop-up paint-n-sip at Patty L's home on the 2nd, followed by a planned girls only event at the Engage Virtual Shooting Range.

This newsletter will be a short and sweet one, as

we gear up for Buzzard Day, our annual Easter Egg hunt, and all that jazz.

This Thursday's meeting will have a Chunky knit blanket tutorial after the business section of the meeting. In order to make a mini-lap blanket, you will need at least two skeins of chunky knit blanket yarn. The recommended one to use is Yarn Bee and can be found at Hobby Lobby. After you finish the lap blanket, you may choose to donate it to Concord Village, or keep it for yourself. Concord Village is a skilled nursing & rehabilitation facility that one of our members, Michele Lee, has been making lap blankets and donating to this place for a while.

Thank you to Judy Ogrin for being such a phenomenal member of the Hinckley Women's Club; your generosity is beyond words!

Looking to the future - well, we will have some more news on this at the meeting... so stay tuned. Hope to see you this Thursday as we have new and old business to discuss!

- Lynne Rotundo, President



#### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:**

"Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, always bring your own sunshine."

- Anthony J. D'Angelo

## February Birthdays!



Leah Barboza 2/4



Lauren Alterman 2/11



Gerri Powell 2/17

- Gayle Staron-Michelle Crew-Kim Young, Sunshine Committee



#### Hinckley Chamber of Commerce

HINCKLEY GREETERS: Hinckley Greeters is a combination of Chamber and Hinckley Women's Club members who hand-deliver information to new neighbors about Hinckley businesses and organizations. Currently, there are 6 of us. We deliver monthly during the warmer months with the information stuffed neatly in a Foster's Pizza Box. New residents have been very receptive because they (1) get useful info about their new neighborhood and (2) they actually get to meet some Hinckley neighbors. We also promote HWC and the Chamber. What can YOU do? - If you have a business or organization, - or if you pick up advertising at your doctor, restaurant, etc., get that info to Heather or Patty L or Kim Y. We deliver to about 20 homes per month. Flyers, brochures, discount cards, etc. Debbie Moss coordinates this.



**BUZZARD DAY** 

Heather Liccardi - Liaison to Hinckley Chamber Buzzard Day Breakfast 2025 is coming up March 16. It's a great way to pitch in and help at the event that made Hinckley famous!

There are 3 ways to be a part of Buzzard Day:

1. HWC Table - "Blind Date with a Book" - help with our fund-raising.

Ann Leo and Beth Crosley are setting this up. Check with them.

- 2. Go on Hinckley Ohio Chamber Facebook page and find the SignUpGenius. Sign up for however you want to help. Wear a Hinckley Women's Club shirt to let them know we're here!
- 3. Concierge Team: Help me smooth the day! I'll be there all day, and I need 1 2 HWC women to "smooth" with me each shift. (WEAR THE LIGHT BLUE SHIRT You can borrow if needed).

Greet guests with a smile, make them feel good, give directions,

Oversee the school part - hallways, classrooms, craft area, for smoothness. Pitch in as necessary. Shifts: 6:30-8:45, 8:45-10:45, 10:45-1PM

You can email me if you'd like to be on #3 (Concierge Team) - or I'll have a sign-up sheet at our February meeting. (There is no Sign-up Genius for the Concierge Team.)

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- Heather Liccardi, Chamber Liaison



# **Events to last a lifetime:**

The Foundry Social









The Paint-n-sip Pop-Up ...







There was a choice between the Snowman Heart painting and the Beating Heart Swirl painting.



#### **Engage Virtual Range**



Hi & Low Winery





### SUPER BOWL SQUARES:

\$10 football squares. Prizes awarded for each quarter. Winners to be announced at our February meeting.

- Lauren Alterman



#### **MEMBERS' CORNER:**

My nephew/godson is getting married this summer! Who am I? (There will be a prize at the February meeting for anyone who can guess the correct person.)

We are still looking for volunteers to submit a 2-3 paragraph biography for the Inside Scoop. This is a fun way for other members to get to know you a little better.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at Hinckley Preparatory Academy on Saturday, April 19th at 11am. Given the later date in April, we will make plans to have the Hunt outside, but make arrangements with the school for an alternate indoor event, similar to last year if it rains.

Ann will be calling a meeting of the Committee soon to go over preparation. We will need members to volunteer for the day of the Hunt to set up, help run the event and cleanup. We will talk more about this at the next few meetings.

We did an inventory of the prizes in the bins for the various age groups. We will need prizes for all ages (infant to 4th grade). If you are in Dollar Tree or Target (in the dollar bins) and see something that would work, please consider donating. We like to stay around \$1(or less) for a prize.

We collect donations from area businesses to help create the baskets that are raffled off at the event. If you have anything you would like to donate for a basket, go in with another member to create a basket, please let me know. We try to have around 35-40 baskets to raffle off.

Any questions, please contact Ann Leo 330-404-4988 or <a href="mailto:leoann1280@gmail.com">leoann1280@gmail.com</a>.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thursday, February 20th General Meeting
Hinckley Town Hall
6:30 PM Social time
7:00 PM Meeting start

For our February General meeting, we will be learning how to make a Chunky Knit Lap Blanket, with the option to donate the lap blanket to a local area nursing home. Those who wish to participate must purchase their own 2 skeins of chunky yarn. Hobby Lobby "Yarn Bee" brand is best, \$4.99 on sale, and max of \$7.99 not on sale.

Saturday, March 1st -Gourmet Dinner Sopranos' Godfather Theme

Sunday, March 2nd Newsletter deadline
Send articles to:
sparklynne102@gmail.com

Wednesday, March 5th - 6:30 pm Board Meeting Host: Lauren Alterman 838 State Rd.

Committees: Easter Egg Hunt & Baskets, Nominating Committee, and Installation Banquet

Sunday, March 16th - Buzzard Day

Thursday, March 20th General Meeting
Location TBD
Social Gathering 6:30 PM
General Meeting 7:00 PM
Program: Feeding Medina County



## **Recipe for the Month:**

Northern Lights Glow Punch Ingredients:

1 and ½ cups blueberry juice (or blueberry concentrate)

½ cup pineapple juice

1 and ½ cups white cranberry juice

1 cup lemon-lime soda (or club soda for less sweetness)

Edible glitter (blue and purple shimmer)



**NORTHERN LIGHTS GLOW PUNCH** 

## **Nominating Committee:**

Have you thought of perhaps running for a board position? We will have two board positions open for the 2025-2026 season: 2nd Vice President & Treasurer. Please contact our Nominating Committee if interested.

 Kati White, Joanne Piotrowski, Michelle Lumadue-Kosinski



May each sunset bring a full heart within you.

~ Lynne Rotundo, Joanne Piotrowski & Rachel Baker