

November 2022

The Voice



Newcomers of Catawba Valley Newsletter



Hello Newcomers!

HAPPY NOVEMBER.....a month to be more grateful than usual. Veterans Day is a public holiday held on the anniversary of the end of World War I, on November 11, to honor US veterans and victims of all wars. This holiday is a celebration to honor America and it's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

And we have Thanksgiving Day. It's about being grateful for all of our blessings. It's about family and friends coming together. It's about slowing down; it's about heritage and kindness. A time to honor the first US Thanksgiving and to celebrate the traditions you've developed over the years.

We had several great events in October. The visit to the Carolina Raptor Center (and lunch), Afternoon Tea at Harper House, and an Annual Craft Project at Nailed It! And of course, the monthly cards and games.

Upcoming events include - Lunch at Four Peas in a Pod, then Shopping at Fantastic Finds – Tuesday, November 15th (This is being organized by Cindy Zook.) On Friday, December 9th – a tour of Hart Square Village – 1:00 - 2:00 PM (Sharon Snellings will be coordinating this event.) Also in December, the General Meeting will include a cookie exchange and choral group to sing a few holiday songs. January 2023 will be our annual Winter Party.

WE LOVE OUR AND APPRECIATE OUR VOLUNTEERS! We are always in need of volunteers to head up/or help committees and events. Even if you can only volunteer at one event at a time, it is a huge help. Please see the "volunteers needed" list for opportunities. REMEMBER, WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS THERE IS NO ORGANIZATION.

Speaking of volunteers, Amy Chizen, our Chair of the Social Events Committee (SEC), must resign her position to care for her husband who has ALS. While we appreciate everything Amy has done (and it has been a lot!) and will miss her creative ideas. Our deepest thanks to Amy and our prayers and good thoughts for her and Harlan.

We have a volunteer to take the SEC role. Member Evie Gibson has volunteered to step into this role. We thank and welcome Evie! Evie's new role will take effect immediately and she will work closely with Amy until January 1st when Amy officially leaves her position.

Our quarterly charity for this last quarter of 2022 is TOYS FOR TOTS. We will be providing information for dropping off toys to the collection boxes. Toys need to be new and unwrapped. Newcomers have always been huge contributors to this cause and your efforts are greatly appreciated. In addition to our club donating toys to Toys for Tots this quarter we have the opportunity to help "Stuff the Truck" in early December. See details in the newsletter.

Adra Kryszczuk is, once again, heading up Holiday Baskets for Teens. If you were unable to order a basket to prepare for a teen, you can always make a monetary donation to the United Way in Hickory.

SAVE THE DATE.....the Newcomers Winter Party will be held at Duke's Market on Main (same location as last year) on Saturday, January 21, 2023. Last year's party was an overwhelming success, and so much fun. We expect the same this year. Details coming soon.

Our next General meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 9, at 10:30 AM as offsite at Bethlehem Greenhouse & Nursery, 21 Lakeside Loop, Hickory NC 28601. Bruce Huffman from the Bethlehem Nursery will guide us on pruning and late season plantings. Marv Yokum, master Gardener and a long-time member of Newcomers, will demonstrate fall arrangements. Please bring your own drink to this event.

There are only a few days left to submit your nomination for the Board of Director's positions for the next year (February 2023 thru January 2024). All positions are open. Positions are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors. The slate will be presented to the BOD this month, and elections will take place at the December General Meeting. The new BOD will be announced at that time as well.

Please review our list of Sponsors and use them where you can. Also, when you use our SPONSORS, please let them know you are a Newcomers member. This tells them that their sponsorship is worthwhile. If you know any businesses that could be Sponsors, please contact Kevin McCutcheon.

As always....stay safe and healthy.... Enjoy this beautiful fall season!
Enjoy the newsletter!
I wish everyone a glorious Thanksgiving Day!
Hope to see you soon!

Cathi Montgomery
President Newcomers of Catawba Valley

The Holidays are coming! OH NO!!

Do you cringe at the expectations of the Holidays. Many of us do because we can't live up to this ideal falsehood that....



- “Holidays are a joyous and happy occasion for everyone.”
- “Holidays are times when families come together.”
- “There’s no place like home for the holidays.”

Family relationships are complicated because of the expectation that “we are all the same” because we’re part of the same family. The expectations we have of each other (because we’re related) can make it difficult to “be ourselves,” especially if we have different values and goals than do other family members. Because of pre-established roles of who we are supposed to be and how we are supposed to act (based on gender, birth order, family rules, family rituals, sexual orientation), family systems do not always give us the space to be who we are. This causes us tremendous stress during this time when it is expected we are going to get together and be happy.

While we all might desire the kind of holiday perfection we see in a TV movie or all over Pinterest, we will inevitably fall short. We live in the real world, not in the movies or someone’s whitewashed home, cutting the perfectly roasted turkey on the elegantly décor table with smiling faces. The American Psychological Association found that 38% of people say their stress increases during the holidays and only 8% of people say they feel happier.

So some of us AVOID the family gathering or just can’t afford the airfare to our far flung relatives or maybe really don’t have any “real” family. Whatever the reason, this can then bring on loneliness on Thanksgiving Day. This year Newcomers is co-ordinating an “Orphan Thanksgiving.” In Newcomers you have 306 friends who would love to have you over for Dinner with their family for their Thanksgiving feast. (There is always too much food anyhow and your presence might stop Uncle Joe from squabbling with Aunt Rosie).

To participate in sharing Thanksgiving Dinner with a Newcomer Family all you have to do is send an email to Rob Herman (robgherman@gmail.com) indicating you would like to celebrate Thanksgiving with the Newcomers. You will be assigned a Family and a time and day they plan to celebrate. (Be aware it could be Thursday, Friday or Saturday of Thanksgiving and it may not be turkey). If you have an extra seat or two at your Thanksgiving table contract Rob Herman on how many newcomers you can take and he will coordinate the arrangement for some Thanksgiving Orphans to join you.

As newcomers we share the commonality of being together in this place at this time and thus we thrive by sharing these moments in each other’s company.

Wishing you Stress free Holidays,

Rob Herman
Vice President Newcomers of Catawba Valley



Welcome to our newest members!

Donna & Ron Ahlstedt — GA

Linda & William Zacharenko — NJ

Evon & Richard Repaire — SC

Michelle Tomkins — AZ

Donna Thomas — OH

Billy Canipe — NC



PROGRAM NEWS

Newcomers General Meeting & Tour

at Bethlehem's Greenhouse

November 9th - 10:30 AM

Newcomers upcoming November program scheduled November 9 at 10:30 am will be held at Bethlehem's Greenhouse & Nursery located at 21 Lakeside Loop, Hickory, NC 28601.

Bruce Huffman, Bethlehem Greenhouse & Nursery will give us a tour of their extensive nursery grounds & greenhouses. As you can imagine, they are well into the process of preparing for the Christmas season. During this time of year, they are producing poinsettia plants for around 50-60 churches, florists & the public. Bruce will demonstrate how they go about propagating these plants for this year's season.

Also, joining in the November program will be our very own Marvin Yokum, Caldwell County Master Gardener. Fall is a perfect time to divide many of our perennials in our garden. Marvin will bring in a few of his own and demonstrate how to incorporate them into a beautiful container piece.

This is a great opportunity to learn from the masters. Hope you all can attend. Our meeting will be held following the program in one of the greenhouses.



November Charity News

Our 4th Quarter Charity is the Marine Toys for Tots

Here's a little information about them:

The mission of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation is to assist the U. S. Marine Corps in providing a tangible sign of hope to economically disadvantaged children at Christmas. This assistance includes providing day-to-day leadership and oversight of the Program, raising funds to provide toys to supplement the collections of local Toys for Tots Campaigns, to provide promotional and support material and defray the costs of conducting annual Toys for Tots Campaigns. Local campaigns are generally organized and coordinated by the Marine Corps League Detachments.

THE GOAL: The primary goal of Marine Toys for Tots is, through the gift of a new toy, help bring the joy of Christmas and send a message of hope to America's less fortunate children.

Website link. <https://www.toysfortots.org/Default.aspx>

What our club does every year is provide new and unwrapped toys.

Boxes will be at the Hickory Airport starting in mid-October and remaining until early December. You can drop toys off there at any time or at any of the many scattered collection spots around town.

In addition to our club donating toys to Toys for Tots this quarter we have the opportunity to help **"Stuff the Truck"** in early December.

If you are interested sign up using the SignUpGenius below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aaaaa29a1f85-stuff>

Nancy Geiger
Charity Chair

Pumpkin Roll

Ingredients

- 3 large eggs, *separated*, room temperature
- 1 cup sugar, divided
- 2/3 cup canned pumpkin
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- **filling:**
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon vanilla extract



Additional confectioners' sugar, optional

Directions

1. Line a 15x10x1-in. baking pan with waxed paper; grease the paper and set aside. In a large bowl, beat egg yolks on high speed until thick and lemon-colored. Gradually add 1/2 cup sugar and pumpkin, beating on high until sugar is almost dissolved.
2. In a small bowl, beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually add remaining 1/2 cup sugar, beating until stiff peaks form. Fold into egg yolk mixture. Combine the flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt; gently fold into pumpkin mixture. Spread into prepared pan.
3. Bake at 375° until cake springs back when lightly touched, 12-15 minutes. Cool for 5 minutes. Turn cake onto a kitchen towel dusted with confectioners' sugar. Gently peel off waxed paper. Roll up cake in the towel jelly-roll style, starting with a short side. Cool completely on a wire rack.

In a small bowl, beat the cream cheese, butter, confectioners' sugar and vanilla until smooth. Unroll cake; spread filling evenly to within 1/2 in. of edges. Roll up again, without towel. Cover and freeze until firm. May be frozen for up to 3 months. Remove from the freezer 15 minutes before cutting. If desired, dust with confectioners' sugar.

Special EVENTS COMMITTEE News

It is with a great deal of gratitude able to present this schedule.

Members have really stepped up and pitched in to help out during this very unsettling time for Harlan and myself. As of January, I will officially step down from the Special Events Committee. Evie Gibson has volunteered to take the SEC position and we will work together on the events for the remainder of the year.

As usual, lots of fun activities were happening in October! Our list for the upcoming weeks has limited activities due to the holidays! We do hope to see you at these events!

Here's what happened in October:

In early October we headed to the Carolina Raptor Center in Huntersville, NC. It was a beautiful day to walk the trail checking out all the various birds. The pictures are of some of my favorites.

Another activity in October was an Afternoon Tea at the Harper House. Susan Mata, and her helper Ray, made us feel like we were royalty! All of the food was made by Susan and all of it was delicious! There were nine of us that were treated to a German Hunters' Soup, followed by scones and tea sandwiches, topped off with mini desserts including German chocolate cake, lemon squares, and a crumb cake. And of course, there was tea... pumpkin spice, maple and peach orchard. What a feast! The company and the event were totally delightful!

On Monday, October 24th Evie Gibson headed up our annual craft project which was held at Nailed It! in downtown Hickory. Some of us began filling our holiday shopping list, while others worked on decorations for our own home. We all were discussing which project we would do next, so watch for another date in the very near future.

Looking forward to November:

Hike with Soup/Chili Lunch – Postponed until next year.

Tuesday, November 15th - Lunch at Four Peas in a Pod, then Shopping at Fantastic Finds – (This is being organized by Cindy Zook.) Here's another chance to get going on your Christmas shopping list! Once again, we're going to go for lunch first, then do our shopping. Because this is a local activity, we will be meeting at the restaurant. However, you are welcome to get in touch with Cindy to find out who is planning to go if you want to hook up with others. Fantastic Finds is just up the street from the restaurant, so we'll head over there afterwards. In case you are unfamiliar with this business in Newton, it is a booth mall that includes antiques, vintage items, collectibles, arts, crafts, home accessories and more. Many of the items are hand made by local crafters! To RSVP for this outing, please send an email to Cindy Zook at cindyzook@horizontech.com.

Moving on to December:

Friday, December 9th – Tour of Hart Square – 1:00 - 2:00 PM (Sharon Snellings will be coordinating this event.) This is quite the opportunity for our members! Our group will be given a private, guided tour of Hart Square, which will be festooned in its holiday decorations! Our November speaker, Lorissa Vine, will be leading us through the grounds. The cost for this is \$20 per person. Sharon Snellings will be taking reservations, so look for the information from her in this edition of The Voice.

Other activities to watch for in the coming months include:

Annual Cookie Exchange and Social – December General Meeting

Annual Holiday Party – January

Amy Chizen
SEC Chair

Private Tour of Hart Square Village

NCV members have an opportunity to attend a private tour of Hart's Square on December 9, 2022 at 1:00. The tour will be led by Lorissa Vines, who spoke at our General Meeting two months ago. The cost is \$20 per person and the tour will last for 90 minutes and will include entrance to selected buildings. After the tour, attendees are welcome to remain on the Hart Square property and roam the grounds. Selected buildings will be decorated for the holidays. Watch for a flyer about this event and contact Sharon Snellings at (scsnellings@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending.



Turkey Vulture



Crane



Bald Eagle



Harper House Tea Party





Sponsorship Corner



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Kevin McCutcheon
Sponsorship Chair



Several members have requested JD’s Smokehouse, 500 Malcolm Blvd, Rutherford College (a.k.a. Connelly Springs), NC 28612. So let’s hit the road to enjoy some great eats on Thursday, November 10th. I have been told JD’s has some of the best BBQ around!

The restaurant does not take reservations and is only open Thursdays-Saturdays, so we will be doing things a little different for this Lunch Out. JD’s opens at 11:00 AM, so we will need to meet at 11:00 AM and go through the line at 11:15 AM, so we can beat the lunch crowd and get one of the larger eating areas.

Check out their website www.jds-smokehouse.com to help you decide what you would like to eat. When you arrive at the restaurant, you will order and pay for your food and then find a table to sit. Newcomers arriving later may not be able to sit with the main group, so please try to arrive by 11:00AM. Please send your RSVP to me by phone, text or email by Monday, November 7th at dkelso528@gmail.com or 716-480-1606.

Rodney and I are looking forward to trying the famous JD’s Smokehouse Restaurant!





November Bridge

Wednesday	November 2nd	Kathy Durand
Monday	November 7th	Peg Baldwin
Monday	November 14th	Vicki Mullins
Wednesday	November 16th	Kathy Durand
Monday	November 21st	Margie Dickey



Cards and Games,

Tuesday, November 1st at 11:30 PM

Canasta and Games will be held at the Hickory Regional Airport on **Tuesday, November 1** at 11:30 a.m. We're looking forward to seeing everyone, so come eat lunch and play the game of your choice. We offer Canasta, Rummikub, Dominoes and Pinochle (No Samba)! All game components will be provided. Please bring any other game you want to play. I will confirm your request to play as we fill up tables of four. **If you do not receive an email from me, call!** Get your group together or just come on out and try a new game. Please note on your R.S.V.P. the game you wish to play, a second choice and if you will be having the meal. Play includes a catered lunch of Chicken Salad Wraps with Broccoli Salad and Pub Chips SERVED PROMPTLY AT 11:30 a.m., cost is usually \$11. If you don't want to each lunch, you can enjoy games and beverages for only \$5. We must pay the caterer for each meal ordered, so if you make reservations and do not cancel before the deadline of 10:00 a.m. Sunday, you still must pay the \$11 charge! Reserve your spot with Adra Kryszczuk at adraellen@yahoo.com.

Samba, Thursday

Thursday, November 17th at 5:30 PM

Samba will be played at the Hickory Regional Airport on **Thursday, November 17** at 5:30 p.m. Dinner, beverages and an evening of Samba is \$11. If you don't want to eat, you can enjoy cards and beverages for only \$5. Don't know how to play? There is always a learning table offered for those who want to learn or simply brush up on their skills. All Newcomer members, men and women, are welcome. I will confirm your request to play as we fill up tables of four. **If you do not receive an email from me, call!** We like to start playing the game right at 6 p.m., so please be considerate of others and get to the airport on time. Play includes a catered meal of a Loaded Baked Potato Bar (served with bacon, sour cream, butter, cheese, steamed broccoli, sautéed onions and mushrooms) and includes a tossed salad SERVED PROMPTLY AT 5:30 PM. We must pay the caterer for each meal ordered, so if you make reservations and do not cancel before the deadline of 10:00 AM Tuesday, you still must pay the charge! To join in the fun, contact Adra at adraellen@yahoo.com.

Bowling

- **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM with practice starting at 6:20 PM.**
- Cost is \$8.00 per person to bowl 3 games
- Bowling will be weekly

Newcomers Bowling will take place every Wednesday, but do not feel obligated to participate every week. If you don't have your own ball and shoes, Pin Station has a large selection of balls that you can use for free and shoe rentals are inexpensive.

If you are interested in Newcomers Bowling, please contact Vince LeGrand at Legravin@gmail.com. Legravin@gmail.com. I maintain a roster of everyone who has signed up for bowling, and I send out a reminder to everyone on the roster early each week.

We hope to see many of you on the lanes!!!

NCV ACTIVITY CHAIR VACANCIES & DUTIES (November 2022)

PUBLICITY CHAIR. We need one (or more) person(s) to fill the Publicity Chair (new position). Duties would include the distribution of the Rack Cards; writing/working with the Hickory Daily Record on Newcomer’s events; writing/updating Facebook articles, other articles for social media monthly. Other duties as the BOD/chair sees fit.

THESE CHAIRS ARE NEEDED

CANASTA AND GAMES DAY * DOMINOES * MAHJONGG (IN-PERSON GAMES)
SAMBA DAY * SAMBA AND GAMES NIGHT

The duties of Canasta and Games Day, Dominoes, Mahjong, Samba Day and Samba and Games Night are all basically the same:

- Events are at the Hickory Airport meeting room.
- Select a menu and confirm it and price with Crosswind Cafe
- Send out announcement emails for the game about 2 weeks in advance followed with a reminder email the week before
- Take reservations and confirm
- Ensure that all tables are even (filled), take a wait list if needed
- Make a check-in list for the event
- Set the room up for activity (arrive at least 30 minutes prior to start time)
- Collect monies at event and check in all participants
- Provide rotation cards, as needed
- Ensure that all equipment is returned to the cabinets and that the cabinets are locked.



Officers, Directors, Activity Chairs& Committees

Officers	Position	
Cathi Montgomery	President	
Rob Herman	Vice President	
Kathy Rozea	Treasurer	
Karen Mills	Secretary	
Delilah Bragg	Past President	
Directors		
	Amy Chizen	
	Nancy Geiger	
	Adra Kryszczuk	
	Kathy Kuehn	
Activity	Chair	
Book Club	Laura Moran	
Bowling	Vince LeGrand	
Bridge	Gloria Berg	
Canasta and Games Day	* * * * * Position Available * * * * *	
Canasta and Games Night	Adra Kryszczuk, Addie and Lonny McSherley	
Charity Coordinator	Nancy Geiger	
Coffee & Conversation	Sheri Binning	
Dominoes	* * * * * Position Available * * * * *	
Events Committee	Amy Chizen (chair), Cyd Acolia, Chris Beekom, Dottie Dema Kevin McCutcheon, Audrey Rozzelle, Sharon Snellings and F	
Items of Interest	Bob Jones	
Hospitality	Sharon Snellings, Carol Sawicki, Judy Dostall	
Lunch out	Debbie Kelso	
Mah Jongg	* * * * * Position Available * * * * *	
Membership	Rob Herman	
Members Helping Members	Sandi Johnson, Hazel Poppe	
Newsletter Editor	Susan Mata	
Programs	Kathy Kuehn	
Publicity	Amy Chizen	
Rummikub	Michele LeGrand	
Samba Day	Elizabeth Strickland (Apr.-Sep.), ***Position Availabl	
Samba and Games Night	Audrey Rozzelle	
Shooting Practice	Vince LeGrand	
Sponsors	Kevin McCutcheon	
Team Cuisine	Jon Kiser * (co-chair)	
Webmaster Team	Adra Kryszczuk (site and calendar), Greg Gervasio (site advisor)	



All Saints Day	November 1
All Souls Day	November 2
Guy Fawkes Day	November 5
Daylight Savings Time	November 6
Election Day	November 8
Marine Corps B'day	November 10
Veteran's Day	November 11
World Kindness Day	November 13
Sadie Hawkins Day	November 13
Nat'l Button Day	November 16
Nat'l Hiking Day	November 17
Apple Cider Day	November 18
Thanksgiving	November 24
Black Friday Shopping	November 25
Turtle Adoption Day	November 27
First Sunday of Advent	November 27
Cyber Monday	November 28



November 1	Sherri McGinnis
November 4	Richard Brands
November 5	Bob Kidd
November 5	Kathleen Whiddon
November 6	Jim Young
November 6	Christine Pfingst
November 6	Susan Mata
November 7	Pam Allison
November 7	Linda Scott
November 7	Pat Connor
November 10	Linda Baker
November 12	Don Fecteau
November 15	Rodney Kelso
November 24	Susan Reese
November 26	Sandi (Shear) Johnson
November 27	Kathleen Rozea
November 29	Dottie Demarest

Celebrities Born in November

Sally Field * Billy Graham * Mark Twain
Winston Churchill * Jimi Hendrix
Meg Ryan * Marie Curie * Grace Kelly
Tina Turner * Marie Antoinette *
Bruce Lee * Matthew McConaughey
Stanley Tucci * Jamie Lee Curtis
Robert F Kennedy * John F Kennedy Jr
Gordan Ramsey * Billy the Kid
Leonardo DiCaprio

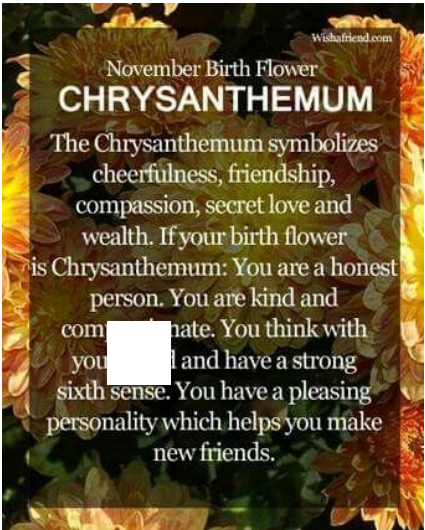


BIRTHSTONE LORE

NOVEMBER: TOPAZ
CONSIDERED AMONG THE MOST POWERFUL OF GEMSTONES, THE TOPAZ SIGNIFIES EMOTIONAL BALANCE AND GIVES PROTECTION FROM GREED.



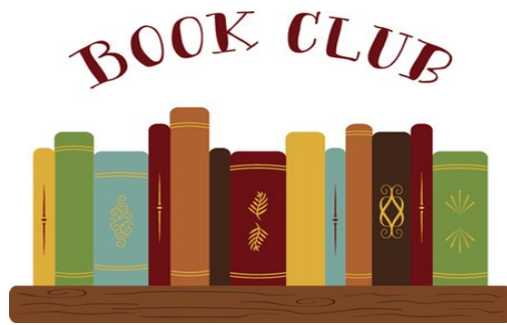
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A federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans, who are people who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

What is the historical significance of Veterans Day?

While many realize that Veterans Day, which always falls on November 11th is a day to honor our Veterans, few people realize the historical significance behind the day. Veterans Day originated as Armistice Day and marked the end of hostilities of World War I that occurred at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month.



"Beyond the Book"



**The next meeting of the Book Club will be held on
Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 1:30 PM at the
Women's Resource Center in Hickory.**

The book we will be discussing is **Oona Out of Order** by Margarita Montimore:
NATIONAL BESTSELLER
A GOOD MORNING AMERICA BOOK CLUB PICK
AMAZON EDITORS' 20 BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR PICK

"With its countless epiphanies and surprises, *Oona* proves difficult to put down." —USA Today

"By turns tragic and triumphant, heartbreakingly poignant and joyful, this is ultimately an uplifting and redemptive read." —The Guardian

A remarkably inventive novel that explores what it means to live a life fully in the moment, even if those moments are out of order.

It's New Year's Eve 1982, and Oona Lockhart has her whole life before her. At the stroke of midnight she will turn nineteen, and the year ahead promises to be one of consequence. Should she go to London to study economics, or remain at home in Brooklyn to pursue her passion for music and be with her boyfriend? As the countdown to the New Year begins, Oona faints and awakens thirty-two years in the future in her fifty-one-year-old body. Greeted by a friendly stranger in a beautiful house she's told is her own, Oona learns that with each passing year she will leap to another age at random. And so begins *Oona Out of Order*... Hopping through decades, pop culture fads, and much-needed stock tips, Oona is still a young woman on the inside but ever changing on the outside. Who will she be next year? Philanthropist? Club Kid? World traveler? Wife to a man she's never met? Surprising, magical, and heart-wrenching, Margarita Montimore has crafted an unforgettable story about the burdens of time, the endurance of love, and the power of family.



The Book Club meets every other month on the 4th Wednesday of the month except for November when we meet on the third Wednesday.
The Book Club coordinator is Laura Moran, moran.laura@att.net.
We will be choosing 2023 books in November. Please join us!



Upcoming November Events

November 1	Cards & Games
November 2	Bridge
November 4	Chatty Crafters
November 9	Bowling
November 7	Bridge
November 9	General Mtg / Bethlehem Greenhouse
November 10	Lunch Out — JD's BBQ
November 11	Veteran's Day
November 14	Bridge
November 15	4 Peas in a Pod / Fantastic Finds Outing
November 16	Bridge
November 16	Book Club
November 16	Bowling
November 17	Samba
November 18	Chatty Crafters
November 21	Board Meeting
November 24	Thanksgiving
November 24-26	Orphan Thanksgiving
November 25	Black Friday

And coming up quickly...

December 9	Hart Square Village Visit
December 14	General December Meeting / Cookie Exchange
December 14	BOD Elections
January 21	Winter Party at Duke's



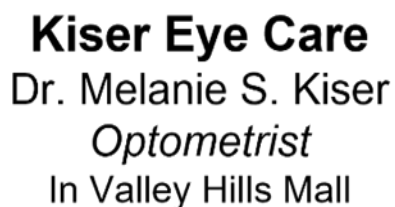
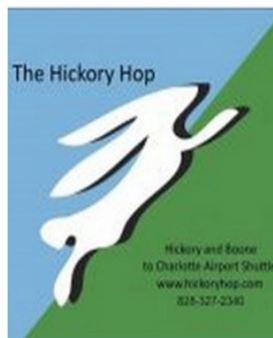
Chatty Crafters will be at Amy Chizen's on Friday, November 4th and Friday November 18th. Amy has plenty of space, but would appreciate if you let her know you are coming so she will know where to set up the coffee. If there are a lot of crafters attending then you will be downstairs, but if just a few attend then she will set up in the dining room.



There will be no Coffee and Conversation in November. We will meet in early December between the holidays. I'll let you know when and where. Suggestions, of course, are always welcome.

Sheri Binning

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