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# *The Shepherds' Voices*

*Mid-North Shepherd's Center for Adults 55+*

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## *Happy Birthday!*

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*God bless you on your January birthday. We will celebrate this month's birthdays on Wednesday, January 9, with cake and ice cream for everyone. A special thank you to Norma Arend and Marilyn Downey for volunteering to call our birthday folks for each month.*

Deadline for newsletter items is  
December 12th

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### Shepherd's Center Office Hours:

Monday:	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday:	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday	Closed

### January MNSC Mystery Member

Do you know who this member is?

- She has been on the Program Committee for about three years.
- She has lived in Indiana, Florida, Iowa, Illinois and upstate New York.
- She was born on a farm in Iowa
- While she was living in upstate New York, she and her family attended some of the events at the Winter Olympics at Lake Placid.

Look on the back cover for December's MNSC Mystery Member.

## Happy New Year!

First of all, a very Happy New Year to you all! I don't know about you, but at this point in my life, New Years' resolutions are kind of a passing thought. The things I want to do I am doing, and the things I want to quit are still in process. No date has given me the motivation in either case.

You have heard me talk about the 20/80 rule – where 20% of your people do 80% of the work – and Shepherd's Center is no exception. Some of us are motivated to make the commitment while others like to march to other drummers. However, what happens when your "20%" starts to dwindle? In our case, folks get tired of doing the same thing, move away to be closer to family, or any number of things that we see happen. What happens then?

That is where we are now as we start a new year. We need folks to help us continue to make Mid-North Shepherd's Center a place to learn and enjoy each other's fellowship. Specifically, we need folks to greet our members and take lunch money every week, help set-up and clean-up our lunch area, create a monthly bulletin board, and many others. Could one of these fit into your schedule?

As you plan what you are going to do this 2019, please consider giving some of your valuable time to your fellow members. You will not be disappointed!

Jeff Linnan  
Executive Director



## Happy Travelers

We have been very fortunate that Debbie Hinderliter has continued to coordinate the Happy Travelers trips – even after having retired from MNSC 3 years ago. Debbie has now entered a new chapter in her life and doesn't have the time to plan and coordinate these trips anymore. Thank you, Debbie, for doing such an awesome job with Happy Travelers!

Who enjoys traveling around Indiana and would like to take over planning and coordinating future Happy Travelers trips for MNSC? If you are interested, please let Jeff know.

## Thank you to our Donors

### October Donors

Margaret Bettenhausen, Ed Johnson, Betty Lingeman, Ruth Shaw, Randy and Bonnie Strait.

### Fall Appeal Donors

Norma Arend, Thomas Brethauer, Andy and Gail Crawford, Paula Curtin, Leslie and Margery Galbraith, Dotti Gerner, Dick Hamilton, Enid Havens, Phil and Nancy Hexamer, Bob and Carol Kirk, Ed and Mary Lavagnino, Betty Lingeman, Lois O'Banion, Barbara Ralston, Anita Simmons, Randy and Bonnie Strate, Doc Taylor, George and Carol Zeltner.

## Shepherd's Center Book Club

In January, we will discuss *Fly Girls: How Five Daring Women Defied all Odds and Made Aviation History* by Keith O'Brien. The author weaves together the stories of five remarkable women who fought for the chance to race against men. In 1936, one of them would triumph in the toughest race of all.

Our February book will be *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn. This historical novel of spies and suspense is the story of two women – a female spy recruited to the real-life ALICE NETWORK in France during WWI and an unconventional American socialite searching for her cousin in 1947. The women are brought together in a story of courage and redemption.

Our book choices are all available at the Indianapolis Public Library and can generally be found in a variety of media formats. Join us for our next session, Wednesday, January 9 at 1:15 p.m. in the NUMC library.

## November MNSC Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance (11/30/18): \$9,834.22

## Get Ready for your 2018 Tax Return!

Start gathering your receipts for your 2018 tax return and make sure to come hear Joan Barclay and David Sedgley. They will talk about changes in the tax laws for this year that you need to be aware of. They are presenting on January 9 at 10 a.m.

## I Sit

By Ed Alley

I sit.

waiting  
for a poem  
to arrive

like my cousin,  
Chester, junior,  
who came only  
once and never

again.

Like watching a bud  
turn to blossom,  
birds build a nest,  
a storm roll in,  
a quiet evening  
in the woods.

From "The Big Listener" a book of poems by  
Ed Alley

