



ASHLAND OPTIMIST CLUB
Meeting Saturday Mornings @ 7:30 A.M.
Optimist Drive, Ashland, MO 65010

March 14, 2020

"You cannot do all the good the world needs, but the world needs all the good you can do."

Optimist Board

Missy Bonderer	President
Lena Long	VP
Jan Palmer	VP
Janet Popejoy	Past Pres.
Barrett Glascock	Secretary
Heather Martin	Treasurer
Robert Blake	2020
Shawn Steelman	2020
Greg Hawkins	2020
Bruce Glascock	2021
Bernie Bartel	2021
Lisa Barnum	2021

COMING UP

Board Meeting:

Apr. 9- 7:15 p.m.

TAKE A MINUTE TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO MADE US STRONG:

Carroll Sapp – 1987
"Buddy" Glascock – 1988
William Burnett – 1992
Remus James – 1994
Ron Marley – 1997
Cecil Vaughn – 2001
Billy Jo Sapp – 2004
Marvin Sappington – 2004
Arcie Sapp – 2005
Kenneth Nichols – 2006
Lahmon Wren – 2007
Joe Smith - 2009
Jimmy Jo Calvin- 2009
Bob Sappington – 2010
Clifford Caldwell-2013
Mel Rupard-2013
Ernest Woods—2013
John Johnson—2013
Michael Dalton--2013
Jim Moore--2016
Carl Long--2016
Don Jones-2017
Clay Austin-2017
Sharon Donley-2017
Ben Nieman- 2017
Nick Kimbler- 2018
Barbara Perry- 2018
Jacob Zagorac- 2019

Bingo: March 20- Team Three

Breakfast: March 21- Deb & Jim Bowden, Mike & Traci Howard

Program- Paul Hobbs- Taps & Bugles

Due to the growing concern about COVID-19, the Optimist Business Bonanza has been postponed until a future date. I will let you know more once future decisions are made.

The Optimist Board meeting was held on Thursday, March 12. The Board agreed to host the SBCED Leadership Breakfast on April 16th again this year, but we are still in need of two breakfast casseroles and two fruit bowls. Please contact Barrett or Missy if you are willing to help.

The Board passed the budget for the Pool, including seventeen lifeguards. The Pool committee is interviewing this week and has five lifeguards returning from last year.

Jan and Missy shared a framed article and proclamation from Representative Sara Walsh regarding the club's upcoming fifty-fifth year of service to the Ashland community and youth.

Bonita Lenger, Lena Long, and John Dougan shared a wonderful breakfast this morning in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday this month by serving green eggs & ham with a delicious coffee cake.

Our speaker this morning was JoNetta Weaver with Meals on Wheels of Columbia. To receive meals, you must be over the age of 70 and require assistance with meal preparation. Recommendations may be made by a senior needing the service, a family member, or a Health Care professional and services can begin the day after the referral. Hot meals are provided on a sliding fee scale, with the highest cost being \$5.25 per meal. Special diets are available for diabetic clients, as well as people requiring low-sodium or special consistency meals.

To be a driver, you must have a valid driver's license, pass a background check, and complete a thirty-minute training. Beginning drivers will ride with an experienced driver until they are comfortable, then will generally deliver meals from 10:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. one day each week.

If you know of a senior that needs this service or are interested in driving, please contact JoNetta at 573-866-7554. Meals on Wheels is hoping to expand to Ashland, but needs clients, drivers, and donors to make this work.

When JoNetta was finished speaking and answering questions, she drew for the Attendance drawing. Matt Czerwonka and Jim Dapkus had their chance at riches, but Bernie Bartel was thrilled to hear her number and proclaimed, "It pays to attend!" just before she donated her winnings back to the club.

I thought some members might be interested in supporting this GoFundMe that Barrett mentioned during the meeting last Saturday morning for Nikki Courtney at <https://gf.me/u/xpvuut>. Even a small donation could help Chris Palmer reach the fundraising goal that has been set to help the family. If you don't feel comfortable donating, it would be great if you could share the fundraiser to help spread the word. Thanks for taking a look!

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