



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

**June 5, 2021**

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

**Optimist Board**

<b>Jan Palmer</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Lisa Barnum</b>	<b>VP</b>
<b>Dana Plunkett</b>	<b>VP</b>
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<b>Bruce Glascock</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Bernie Bartel</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Shawn Steelman</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Robert Blake</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>John Dougan</b>	<b>2022</b>

**COMING UP**

**Board Meeting:**

**June 10, 2021 7:00 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

**There will be an Optimist Board meeting this Thursday at 7:00. It will be held at the Optimist building.**

**June 12: Breakfast by President Jan Palmer  
 Speaker- Kevin Blake**

We held our first weekly Optimist breakfast of the year this morning, which included a delicious full breakfast provided by Bernie Bartel and Lelande Rehard, Assistant City Administrator for the city of Ashland was our speaker. Now that we are back to having a full breakfast, the price returns to \$5.00 for breakfast.

We will be sponsoring a Fishing Derby on June 19th at the pond in the Ashland Park. It is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. until noon. We need plenty of volunteers to help with sign-up and to help the youngsters fish. This is a fun event that the kids all look forward to, but the fishing club at the school is currently without a sponsor, so we will need Optimists to help! Contact John Dougan at [douganmo@gmail.com](mailto:douganmo@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping.

We will also be holding the Arcie Sapp Commemorative Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 22 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Bernie has said that she can make sandwiches but would appreciate it if others could provide cookies and help check people in, as well as serving them when they are finished donating.

Barrett shared a thank you note from Grace Gosek who was involved in our Oratorical Competition and was thanking us for her winnings.

Lelande grew up in Macon Missouri, then worked in Columbia before joining the staff here in Ashland. He spoke about all the improvements that are occurring around Ashland, starting with the new YMCA, the new Ranken Tech facility, and all of the new residential growth to the south and east of our community. Lelande talked about the Downtown revitalization project and the upcoming road construction at Broadway and Henry Clay. He also spoke of future projects, including updated software as well as new clarified rules and codes for the city. Lelande spoke of the future, with growth in the East Ashland Plaza and Cartwright development areas.

To finish his presentation, he spoke of the differences that may happen if the 2020 census shows our population to be over 5,000 people, then drew for our first Attendance drawing of the year, which went to Norm Geary.

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