

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

October 15, 2022

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

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COMING UP

Oct 28 MO Eastern Dist Conf Oct 31 Halloween Spooktacular

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 Joy Woods- 2021 Steve Walsh-2021 Kristi Savage Clarke 2022

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Building is rented

The first quarter Missouri Eastern District Conference will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott in Columbia on Oct. 28-29. Please contact Barrett Glascock or President Dana Cafourek if you are interested in attending any part of the conference. It would be great if our club had a good turn-out!

We will be holding the

Halloween Spooktacular again this year on Oct. 31st from 5:00-7:00 outside the building, with pictures being taken for the Boone County Journal on the stage. If you are interested in giving out candy at the Spooktacular, please go to our website <u>ashlandoptimist.org</u> for the form. There will be a costume competition starting at 6:00, with prizes awarded that evening.

The Board met on Thursday, Oct. 13th with Dorise Slinker, Brenda Ravenscraft, and Ernie Wren as guests. The kitchen was discussed in depth regarding its part in Bingo Fridays. We are still looking for more people interested in helping, with the hopes of rebuilding four teams so that we can hold Bingo more often than first and third weeks.

Brenda and Dorise also spoke to the Board about using the Optimist building to hold the Thanksgiving dinner for veterans that Brenda had held at her Skyline Cafe for years, since the restaurant is now closed. Brenda gets donations for the meal and asks for cash donations that day which goes to

Central Missouri Honor Flight. The Board approved her use of the building.

The Board also approved donating to the 4-H Senior Council for their awards banquet again this year, voted to renew our dues with the Association of Charitable Games of Missouri, and voted to donate \$350 to help the Hartsburg American Legion provide flags for the schools. Hartsburg American Legion has provided this service for years, but asked for help to cover because of the additional schools in Southern Boone.

The Board approved Tara and Will Blue as members, as well as Amy Knight and Jessica Robinett once their dues are paid.

After an incredible breakfast from John Travelos that included bagels & lox, chicken livers & gizzards, fresh fruit, and warm apple butter in addition to our regular breakfast offerings, President Dana Cafourek shared a thank you note from Ellie Helms, one of our scholarship recipients this year who plans to go to Mizzou.

Our speaker this morning was Blake Gazaway, founder of the Show-Me Sports Network which broadcasts Southern Boone football and softball games. He grew up in Nevada MO and went to school at Pitt State in Pittsburg KS, where he met his wife who is a teacher at Callaway Hills schools. He has been broadcasting sports for twenty years, starting when he was in high school. They moved to Columbia from Sedalia MO, then here in June. He works at Mizzou. In Oct. 2020, he decided that he was tired of working for stations that didn't always share this view of providing a quality broadcasting service that wasn't focused on charging the schools, so he started the Show-Me Sports Network, originally broadcasting for MINK (Missouri/Iowa/Nebraska/Kansas) League and had 19,000 listeners his first year. After he moved to the area, he coordinated with Southern Boone and provided 127 broadcasts in the past year. He is available through apps on Google Play and the App Store for Apple, as well as on Facebook and YouTube. Blake talked about the struggles with getting an app on the Google Play Store, where he had to reapply seven times, whereas Apple gave him no issues to set up their app. Southern Boone football has an automatic camera feed for their games, which includes the Show-Me Sports Network audio. He is looking forward to covering basketball when the season begins. At this time, Blake is covering much of the cost, but he's looking forward to getting sponsors as he proves his network.

After he was finished speaking, he drew for the Attendance drawing and Rev. Elmer Schaefer's number was drawn. He was heard to say, "It pays to attend!"

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