



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

March 2, 2024

"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**

Mar 7-8 Senior Center Spring Fling  
Mar 8 Family of Christ Fish Fry  
Mar 9 Breakfast meeting: Angie Regan  
Mar 9 SoBo Library 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday book sale  
Mar 14 Board Meeting  
Mar 15 Bingo  
Mar 16 SBC Middle School spaghetti dinner  
Mar 16 Sunrise Optimist Trivia Night

**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  
Johnny Pauley 2023

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**Breakfast: Mar. 9- Barrett Glascock and Shawn Steelman**  
**Program- Angie Regan, National Association of Women in Construction and their Block Kids program**

According to Barrett Glascock, the 180 players we had at Bingo on Friday night was the biggest crowd we've had in years. We had great help on the floor, where three horse races and eleven other games were sold, leading to a deposit of \$7,265 (\$4,765 above the original bank) and in the kitchen, with a deposit of \$1,202.

After a delicious breakfast of all our regular fare, plus French vanilla cream doughnuts from this morning's speakers, Brooke & Jared Thomassen who own Heart of the Home Bakery here in Ashland.

Jared grew up in Ashland, helping his parents with their cooking and catering business. He met Brooke in high school, and they started Heart of the Home, a family centered bakery in Sept. 2022. They currently work out of their home, which is handy since they have two young daughters. They offer weekly deals through preorders at 573-639-8508 through their Facebook account (this week is Shamrock mint and chocolate cookies) and at the local Farmer's Market when it's open. They can also offer special orders with advance notice but hope to have a store-front location eventually.

When they finished speaking, they drew the Attendance drawing. Ben Travlos had his chance at riches, but Barrett Glascock was thrilled to say, "It pays to attend" when his number was pulled.

Since we didn't figure the Poker Pot last week because of the FFA Breakfast, Barrett included this week's card and Jan Palmer won with a pair of Kings.

**Other events coming up soon:**

The Southern Boone Senior Center will hold their annual Spring Fling fundraiser on Mar. 7th & 8th with excellent meals each day from 11-2 for \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12.

Family of Christ Lutheran Church will hold their drive through fish fry this year on Friday, Mar. 8th, from 4-7. Adult portions are \$15.

The Southern Boone Library will hold their monthly Second Saturday book sale next Saturday. Buy a tote for \$5 and get all the books you can fit in it included at that price.

March 16th will be a busy day, with a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser at the Middle School from 11-6, cash or check donations of any amount, with all funds raised going toward the outstanding meal debt (which is currently \$33,000 for all four buildings).

Then, if you are interested in trivia, Sunrise Optimists will be holding their Trivia Night starting at 6, if we have people interested in putting together a team. A table of eight for \$200 or \$25/person. This will benefit the Tryps Children's Theater program.

Don't forget about the Optimist international Essay and Oratorical Competitions. The theme for the Oratorical contest is "How to Change the World with Optimism" and entries need to be ready in April. If you plan to participate, please contact John Travlos at 573-657-2959. Local scholarships begin at \$200, with the top prize for oratorical at \$22,000. These are open to all middle school and high school students under the age of nineteen.

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