



Optimist Board

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COMING UP

Board Meeting: June 9

**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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Next week:

Breakfast: May 21- Carole Iles, Dorise Slinker, and Jennifer Lawson

Program- Ken Bishop- Armed Forces Day

- **Trivia for VA Fisher House- May 21 6:00 p.m. at the Columbia Knights of Columbus Hall (free food from Fuzzy Taco)**
- **Jane Flink Memorial- May 22nd 12:00 p.m.**
- **Corn Hole & BBQ (Optimist clubs from Zones 1, 2, & 3)- May 28 10a.m.-5 p.m. Sunrise Optimist Club House**
- **NOW (New Optimists Welcome) breakfast meeting at our building- June 4th**
- **Corn Hole fundraiser for Terri Nichols- June 4th at our building 10 a.m.**
- **Blood Drive- June 29th 2:00-6:00 Ashland Optimist Building**
- **Cattleman Day's Rodeo- August 26-27**
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We need people who are willing to help President Jan Palmer plan the NOW program. Please get in touch with her if you are interested.

Because I was out of town this morning for my birthday celebration, Leigh Kottwitz was gracious enough to take notes.

This morning we held our Respect for Law program. Lisa Barnum had done a fine job of getting the word out in advance. After saying the Pledge of Allegiance, Elmer Schiefer provided the invocation. Mayor Dorise Slinker greeted the guests and led the breakfast line for our law enforcement guests, who enjoyed a wonderful breakfast provided by Bernie Bartels and Jan Palmer.

Jan called the meeting to order at 8 a.m. Barrett gave the board report from Thursday's meeting. The board voted to approve the financial statement and file for audit. The club received a check from Optimist International. Our funds have earned 10-11% and we received \$18,722. The board voted to donate \$300 to the 4-H shooting team. Missy gave a pool report and dates for an open house and the opening of the pool were set for late May. There is a leak in the pool that will need to be fixed before the opening.

Jan introduced Mayor Slinker for today's program. Dorise gave the history of the Respect for Law program and introduced the guests before inviting Sheriff Dwayne Carey to speak. Sheriff Carey appreciates when clubs want to recognize law enforcement. The media doesn't always portray law enforcement well, but most people support law enforcement and are a silent majority.

Dorise also introduced Ashland Police Chief Gabe Edwards. Chief Edwards stated that the Ashland community is supportive of law enforcement. He introduced the staff: Megan Young, services division operator, plus five of the Ashland officers. There was also an officer from Hallsville who lives in Ashland and came for our program. Dorise presented Pizza Haus gift certificates to Chief Edwards.

Gabe drew for the attendance drawing: Ernie Wren, Bern Bonderer, and Dennis Sapp all had their chance at riches, but since they missed the meeting, the pot will continue to grow!

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