



OPTIMIST
INTERNATIONAL

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

October 29, 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 31 Halloween Spooktacular
Nov 1 Basketball sign up deadline
Nov 5 Early Voting Ashland Library
Nov 5 – No breakfast meeting
Nov 8 Election Day
Nov 11 Veterans Breakfast
Nov 11 Bingo 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
Clav Austin-2017

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Breakfast: Nov. 4- No Breakfast meeting. Building is rented.

We will be holding the Halloween Spooktacular again this year on Monday, Oct. 31st from 5:00-7:00 outside the building, with pictures being taken for the Boone County Journal on the stage. As of this morning, there were twenty "trunks" registered, but we can always host more. If you are interested in participating, please go to our website ashlandoptimist.org for the form. There will be a costume competition starting at 6:00, with prizes awarded that evening. We are still looking for judges. If you are interested, contact Dorise Slinker at dslinker@hotmail.com.

We will be holding the Veteran's Breakfast on Friday, Nov. 11 (Veteran's Day) from 6:30-9:00 a.m. and will be serving any veteran and their family. We will need people to cook food starting at 5:45 a.m. The FFA students will take orders and serve the veteran's again this year. If you are willing to assist, please contact Missy Bonderer at 573-694-9801 or via email at mb10mcs@yahoo.com.

In November, the Ashland Optimist club will sponsor Bingo on Nov. 11th and 18th. We can always use additional help on the floor and in the Bingo window, plus in the kitchen. Please let Barrett or me know if you can help.

Our club is saddened with the death of Norma Bennett, wife of Marvin Bennett, long time member and former Treasurer for our club.

This morning Barrett Glascock fixed a delicious breakfast all by himself! Because Dana and Ernie were at the first quarter Missouri Eastern District Conference this morning, Leigh Kottwitz led the meeting, with Jim Green providing the prayer. We were thrilled to have Wes Donley at the meeting with his son Mike.

Our speaker this morning was Krista Moore with the Southern Boone PTA Buddy Pack program. She talked about the fact that our Buddy Pack program is special because it is entirely community funded without support from the Central Missouri Food Bank and currently provides services for 130 families from PreK through High School. Families can sign up at the beginning of the school year or through the PTA Buddy Pack coordinator at sbcuddypack@gmail.com at other times during the year.

Each family is provided with individual serving size containers of kid-friendly foods (selected by Krista's eight year-old daughter), such as juice, cereal, oatmeal, canned meals, fruit, and snacks which are sent home on the last day of the school week (typically Friday). A voucher to the Ashland Moser's store for milk, eggs, cheese, and bread is also provided each month during the school year. There are also vouchers for extended breaks, such as Spring Break, which include additional items such as lunch meat. Vouchers are also issued for holidays. These include enough to provide ham, turkey, or a roast in addition to the normal items on the voucher. During the summer, families are mailed a voucher weekly for groceries from Moser's. Our local Girl Scouts also provide cake mixes, frosting, and candles that can be sent with a student's pack for their birthday.

On Monday, Krista and her vocational skills students lay out items for the buddy packs in a room that is reserved for Buddy Packs in the high school. On Tuesday, The Honor Society members pack the bags, which gives them community service hours. Krista sees this as "Kids helping kids". Then on Wednesdays, Krista's students bring the bags around to the other schools. Primary and Elementary student packs are in bags donated by Moser's and are placed in the student's backpacks while the students are out of the room for recess or special classes. Middle school students can get their bags in their grade hall to bring them directly to their backpacks. High School students still receive their packs in a backpack.

Krista said that at this time, they don't need any physical help, but if you would like to help by donating food, you can contact Krista at 573/864-0079 or kmoore@sbschools.us. If you wish to make cash donations to help toward the Moser's bill, Central Bank of Boone County has an account set up there.

After Krista was finished speaking and answering questions, she drew for the Attendance drawing. Bern Bonderer had a chance at riches on his birthday, but since neither he nor Eric Barmann were at the meeting this morning, Jan Palmer was thrilled to say, "It pays to attend!" Since this was the last meeting of the month, Barrett figured the Poker Pot, which Leigh and I had a chance at with pairs of eights, but Elmer Schafer took it with a pair of tens.

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