



OPTIMIST
INTERNATIONAL

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

August 19 2023

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

Optimist Board

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COMING UP

The Pool is open only through Aug 27!
Aug 26 Note: No breakfast meeting
Aug 25-26 Cattlemen Days Rodeo\
Sep 9 Fall Festival
Sep 9 Sadie Strong Poker Run

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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It was decided that there will not be an Ashland Optimist breakfast meeting on Aug. 26 because the Rodeo parade will be lining up outside the Optimist building that morning. Enjoy the parade and the rodeo!

Cattlemen Day's Rodeo- Aug. 25 & 26 If you haven't signed up to help in the concession stand or beer garden, please contact Barrett Glascock or Robert Blake. We will need plenty of Optimist help.

Ashland Fall Festival- Sep. 9 Jan Palmer has secured a site and a shelter, thanks to Bernie Bartel's son. We will need people to help set up and to work our booth, starting at 9:00. Contact Jan if you are interested in helping at 573-268-5919 or sign-up on the sheet at the Optimist building during a breakfast meeting.

The All-Vehicle Sadie Strong Poker Run is scheduled for Sep. 9th as well, starting at 10:00 a.m. from the Ashland Optimist building, sponsored by the Good Vibrationz Ladies Charitable Riding Group. This is to support Sadie Robinette as she resumes treatment for her third bout with leukemia. Please support Sadie and the family however you feel drawn to.

The Ashland Optimists held Bingo on Fri. Aug. 18, with 114 players and plenty of help. The kitchen was able to deposit over \$700, thanks to Les Hahn, and all of the people who brought in extra desserts and helped out. .

We had a small group this morning, with Barrett Glascock leading the meeting after a delicious breakfast of two kinds of hash, ham slices, and an abundance of fresh fruit by Bern Bonderer, John and Ben Travlos. Barrett shared about the ceremony for the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) winners here in Ashland, which include the Southern Boone School District and us. He also mentioned a request he had received from the Hartsburg American Legion Auxiliary to provide financial assistance for their program providing flags to the Southern Boone Schools. Barrett will share this request at the next Optimist Board meeting on Sep. 14th.

Our speaker this morning was Lee Conner, Plant Protection Specialist (Plant Industries) for Area 8, which includes fifteen counties in our area, and State Apiarist (beekeeper). He has been with the Missouri Department of Agriculture since 2014. He also is the Boys & Girls Wrestling coach for Southern Boone High School, since 2017. Most of his work involves yearly inspections for all licensed nursery growers in Missouri, including facilities that are sending any products, including timber, to over seventy countries around the World.

As State Apiarist, he inspects incoming hives from other states, as well as providing a certificate of health for hives going from Missouri to other states that require certification. Lee brought in his protective suit, smoker, his hive tool, and examples of hives. He spoke about how to start a hive and how to keep a hive happy and healthy. Lee talked about the different bees in the hive and their separate roles. A queen can live for years, but most drones and worker bees only live about six weeks and no drones are allowed to survive the Winter in the hive to save needed food.

Lee talked about why bees swarm when they feel they don't have enough room left in the hive, so the queen and half of the other bees leave the hive, but he also offered solutions to keep the bees happy in their hive. by pulling a nucleus of five frames to start a new hive, which will provide space in the old hive. Lee also spoke about treating hives for varroa mites with formic acid and other issues that can affect hives.

When Lee was finished sharing his abundant knowledge and answering questions, he drew for the Attendance drawing. Jan Palmer, Bryan Chapman, and Traci Howard had their chance at riches, but with their absence, the pot will continue to grow.

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