



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

May 11 2024

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

Optimist Board

Leigh Kottwitz President
Ken Bishop Vice President
Jan Palmer Lt. Gov, Zone 1
Dana Cafourek Past President
Barrett Glascock Secretary
Heather Martin Treasurer
Bruce Glascock
Shawn Steelman
Robert Blake
Marsha Lessley
Tara Blue
Bernie Bartel

COMING UP

Now thru May 23 Walking School Bus
May 17 Bingo
May 18 Breakfast – Jenna Stiek
May 18 finish updating bleachers
May 24 5-7pm Pool Open House...Free!
May 25 Breakfast meeting
May 25 Noon: Pool Opens for season
May 27 Memorial Day (observed)

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: May 18- Bern Bonderer, Robert Blake, John Travlos

Program- Jenna Stiek talking about the Nature School

I hope everyone had a wonderful time, this busy Mother's Day, Graduation, and birthday (mine) weekend!

We will have Bingo this Friday, May 17th. If you usually work the third week and will not be available, please let Barrett Glascock or me know.

Next Saturday will be a workday to finish updating the bleachers.

Ken Bishop has agreed to step up to be President and the three Board members whose terms were expiring: Robert Blake, Shawn Steelman, and Bernie Bartel have agreed to remain on the Board.

John Dougan will lead the Fishing Derby on June 8th and would appreciate more help than last year.

We will hold a Social on Sep. 22nd to commemorate our 60th anniversary as an Optimist Club. Get it on your calendar and watch for more details!

The Ashland Optimist Board met on Thursday, May 9th with a full group. They accepted the financial reports for March & April, since Heather Martin has been busy with doing taxes for her job.

Kyle Baker reported that since he is stepping down as Soccer Commissioner, he has talked Tilly "Bill" Dowd into taking over the Optimist Soccer program as of this Fall. Since she was one of Southern Boone's best soccer players and has a preschool student, she is very qualified.

Bern Bonderer reported that Softball T-ball is under way, with somewhat lower numbers than last year. He would appreciate our club's assistance in providing t-shirts and hats or visors. He presented his budget for this year, which included funds for work on the fields.

Barrett confirmed that the new air handlers have arrived and will be installed soon. The FIG committee is still going through the process to receive the ARPA Funds from the County.

We had a delicious breakfast, provided by Carole Iles and Dorise Slinker. They are still looking for another person to join their breakfast team. Bryce Beal was back, for the first time since baby Hilda was born several weeks early and was glad to share cute pictures of her.

Tony Ash brought Legend and two of the Buddy Glascock Scholarship winners came with family members, plus Zoe Anderson Clark, who will receive a scholarship for her Oratorical speech and was our speaker this morning. James Brooks came with his mother, Jenny. He plans to attend Mizzou and get a degree in finance. Blaine Hargis came with his mother, Erin. He will start at Mizzou in the Fall and plans to be a Pediatric Cardiologist.

Zoe shared her Oratorical speech, which took first at the Club level and second at the District level. She attended the Third Quarter Conference last weekend to share her speech at the Zone level and shared it with us this morning. The theme was How to Change the World with Optimism and Zoe focused on starting to change with an optimistic outlook today.

When Zoe was finished, our three guests drew for the Attendance drawing. Wes Donley, Jessica Ward, and Chris Palmer had their chance at riches but with their absence, the pot will have a chance to grow.

 2024 SPRING WALKING SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM.docx

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