



Twin City Area Optimist Club

P.O. Box 475
Festus, MO 63028

www.twincityoptimist.org

Do It For The Kids!

May 2019

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018 - 2019

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Mary McDowell

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Peggy Scott

SECRETARY ELECT

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TREASURER ELECT

Debbie Kettler

BOARD MEMBERS

2017 - 2019

Marsha Greenstreet

Sandy Mouser

Carol Schanz

2018 - 2020

Shirley Coile

Caryl Harness

Janet Mace

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR!

We are well into the latter half of this fiscal year. In the next few months, President Elect Phyllis Neff will begin preparing a budget for the next year, asking for members to chair committees, and host board meetings. Please keep your hearts and minds open to serving as a chair or volunteering on a committee.

Thanks to the success of fundraisers and the Marketing Committees effort to obtain sponsorships, the club's treasury is financially sound. Our club was also once again awarded a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Jefferson Foundation for the Coats for Kids / HeadStart winter wear. These efforts help to cover the cost of all projects without continually asking members for financial assistance outside of the fundraising events and frees up our club's money to fully fund other projects.

We have also done well in maintaining the level of membership in the club. One of the criteria for achieving Honor Club recognition is to end the year with 3+ members. Membership as of September 30, 2019, was 107. Current membership is at 113, but we still need to recruit a few more just in case. One of the criteria for being recognized as a Distinguished Club is to meet the criteria of Honor Club and add 15 members or start a new club. The board voted at the May meeting to co-sponsor the new Fenton / High Ridge Club. This should satisfy that requirement. Being recognized as a Honor Club or Distinguished Club is a tribute to all the hard work of our members.

If you have an idea for new project related to supporting the youth of the community, please share that with me or Phyllis as we plan for next year.

Sincerely,
Mary McDowell, President
314-954-4358



*Are you a new member in your 1st Year?
Then you can be A Rookie Rock Star!*

JOI Club to deliver collected items on June 6, 2019



Ronald McDonald
House Charities
St. Louis

WISH LIST

Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis relies on donations of these household items to provide all the **comforts of home** in our three Ronald McDonald Houses and Ronald McDonald Family Rooms. Thank you for your support.

Kitchen Items:

Sweet/salty individually wrapped snacks, such as cookies, soups, mac 'n' cheese, breakfast bars, hot chocolate, trail mix, dried fruit, peanut butter or cheese sandwich crackers, and candy bars

Gallon and quart-size Ziploc bags
Large Tupperware containers
Paper bowls

Cleaning Supplies:

Disinfectant spray
Dishwasher detergent
Dawn dishwashing soap
Multipurpose cleaner
Floor cleaner
Swiffer hand duster sheets
Windex

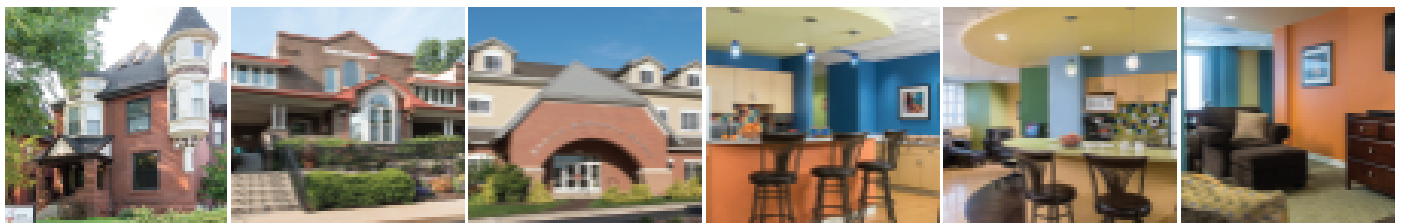
Laundry Facilities:

High-efficiency laundry detergent
Softener sheets

Miscellaneous:

Travel-sized shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, shaving cream and toothpaste
Disposable razors
Individually packaged toothbrushes
Feminine products
iPhones (new or used)

To donate items to Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis, please call 314-773-1100 or e-mail info@rmhcstl.com. Visit us online at www.rmhcstl.com.





Junior Optimists have a Talent Show for the Headstart at Hematite

On Thursday, May 2nd, we had a talent show at the Hematite Headstart. Teagan played Disney songs on her keyboard and Audrey played her trombone. The Headstart children danced and sang along with the JOI



Club members. Each child present received a treat bag from the JOI Club. The treat bags each had bubbles, sunglasses, water balls, gym sticks and sidewalk chalk.



Thank you Debbie and Dawn for your assistance with the JOI Club project, another giving back project to our community.

**JOI CLUB OFFICERS
2018 - 2019**

PRESIDENT
Ayden Eldridge

VICE PRESIDENT
Addisen Eldridge

SECRETARY
Olivia Blair

TREASURER
Audrey Staley

UPCOMING

JOI CLUB MEETINGS

7pm at the YMCA

**June 6th,
Ronald McDonald House**



On June 6th we will be travelling to the Ronald McDonald house at the Mercy Hospital, Creve Coeur location, to deliver many donated items. We will meet at the Home Depot parking lot park at 5pm if any wish to carpool. The wish list for items needed at the Ronald McDonald house are listed on Page 2 of this newsletter.

ADULT ADVISER
Katie Huck

CO-CHAIRMAN
Debbie Schumaker

Katie Huck
Adult Adviser
JOI Club





It's time for tea
 Optimist Members and Guests
 Sunday May 5, 2019 3-5 p.m.
 Elk Pavilion, Festus



THE OPTIMIST
International Junior Golf Championships

ages 10 - 18

June 5, 2019

Ste. Genevieve Golf Club

17450 Clubhouse Ct.

Ste. Genevieve, MO

register online at oi-emo.org



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 15th - Nicki Ruess
- 17th - Debbie Schumaker
- 29th - Judy Kuhlman

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 10th - Megan Meyer
- 14th - Betsy Barnes-Wilson
- 16th - Abbi Schuh
- 20th - Katie Huck
- 23rd - Mary Renner
- 30th - Judy Williams

Shopping for Easter Food Baskets for Headstart Families



Donate your shoes to the Optimist Shoe Drive

A joint project of
Twin City Area Optimist Club
and
Arnold/Imperial Optimist Club





2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 JOI Club 5:30 Hematite Headstart	3 EMO 3rd Quarter District Mtg - St. Louis	4
5 Tea Party 3-5 pm @ Elk Pavilion	6 Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 Hostess: Tracy Anderson & Kitty Ebersoldt	7	8	9 Update	10	11
12 Happy Mother's Day	13	14	15 Nicki Ruess	16 Respect for Law	17 Debbie Schumaker	18
19	20	21	22	23 to be announced	24	25
26	27	28	29 Judy Kuhlman	30 Evening Meeting	31	

GETTING CREDIT FOR YOUR PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Print your name: _____

Meetings Attended: _____

Make-Up Credits Used: _____

List Make-Up Credit Below:

When completed give this to Peggy Scott.

INTERESTED IN RECOGNITION FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE?

- Record your attendance on the monthly calendar.
- On the dates of weekly meetings, please mark:
 - ✓ for meeting attended
 - X for meeting missed
 - E for meeting excused, due to illness or out of town
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 - Attending a board meeting
 - Participating in any club activity
- Track your make up credit earned and record it on the monthly calendar when it is used.

June 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 30 Judy Williams						1
2	3 Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30 Hostess: Cheri Phillips	4	5	6 Update JOI @ Ronald McDonald House	7 JOI Club Swim Party 1 - 4 pm	8
9	10 Megan Meyer	11	12	13 Dawn Capstick Memorials	14 Betsy Barnes-Wilson	15
16 Abbi Schuh	17	18	19	20 D. Shilling Homeless Youth Scholarship Katie Huck	21	22
23 Mary Renner	24	25	26	27 Evening Meeting	28	29

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(TCA), MO

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WEEKLY DAY MEETINGS

When: Noon - 1pm,
each Thursday except the last
Thursday of each month

Where: Poppy's Banquet Center
2002 N Truman Blvd
Crystal City, MO 63028

Doors open at 11:00 AM, Close at 2:00 PM
Room is available for committee meetings
before or after the Lunch Meeting.

MONTHLY EVENING MEETING

When: The last Thursday of each month

Where: Will vary each month

Have an idea for our next evening meeting?
Let us know.

Newsletter Deadlines

Deadline for submitting information or photos for the newsletter is the **Tuesday following a board meeting.**

Newsletter Editor

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The Optimist **CREED**

Promise Yourself...

To be **SO STRONG**

that nothing can disturb your

PEACE OF MIND.

To talk **health, happiness and prosperity**

to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel

that there is something in them.

To look at the **sunny side of everything**

and make your optimism come true.

To **THINK** only of the best,

to **WORK** only for the best and

to **EXPECT** only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about

THE SUCCESS OF OTHERS

as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the

GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance **at all times** and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have

NO TIME to criticize others.

To be **too large** for worry,

too noble for anger,

too strong for fear, and

too happy to permit the

presence of trouble.

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