



THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLUMBIA (Downtown Optimist)

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Downtown Optimist Club Zoom Meeting Newsletter

December 7, 2020

Members attended:

On December 7 meeting: Club President, Tony Parisio Rick McKernan, Mary Dewey, Jerry Sullivan, Ed Musterman, Scott Stager, C.O. Scheffer, Jim Murphy, Red Leighton, and Steve Winter. Our Special Guest was Meredith Donaldson (former member) and Patricia Kanyike from the Ungrawee (Optimist Club of Kampala)

Prayer/Pledge for December 7: Ed Musterman Pledge and Rick McKernan Prayer

Jerry Sullivan celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary on November 25.

Don't forget to pay your social dues if you haven't yet. The second notice has been sent out to you now. There will be one more reminder sent out later. After that if, you haven't paid your due by then you will be dropped from our club roster. I do not want to see one be dropped for forgetting to pay their social dues.

Mary would like to thank everyone who come out and helped this weekend at the Christmas Tree Lot. We were very busy we made 50 thousand over this weekend with 23 thousand of that was made on Black Friday opening day. Half of the trees were gone over the weekend (most of the big trees are gone). Let's keep selling those trees

Saturday one the Health Department came and brought herself a tree. She said "We are doing great keeping everything clean. She also said "We can make our Charlie Brown Trees and give them to the children who want one."

We like to Thank Steve and Rebeca Winter for a great job setting up the North Room. Everyone had to go through the Koeze Nuts Display and always make out with some candy that they really didn't want when they went to pay for their tree. Thank you Steve again for a great set up let's do it again next year

Steve Winter says the last order is due to Ed Harre by Wednesday this week. The order will be in next week.

I have some sad news to let you all know. Dale Gregory, June 29, 1933 — Nov. 25, 2020
President of the Sunrise Optimist Club Mike Gregory's dad

Dale enjoyed golfing, fishing and was a 50-year member of the Sunrise Optimist Club. He served as president, lieutenant governor and other positions promoting optimism in the Columbia community. He also loved spending time with his grandchildren, teaching them to play golf. He also taught them to always have a strong handshake and to "Look 'em in the eye."

Our special guest Patricia Kanyike from the Optimist Club of Kampala, Ungrawee. She is the President of this club. She is also administrator at Crystals International School Nursery & 24 hours Daycare Centre. The Optimist Club of Kampala 1st project as a new club was this Saturday in Nateete Natuka Zone where they feed 50 families. She will try to join us again next week and talk to us more about her club.

Tony Parision

East Missouri District 2019-2020 "IT'S FOR THE KIDS"

Here are some pictures of Patricia Kanyike from the Optimist Club of Kampala, Ungrawee service project

OPTIMISTS DONATED FOOD TO MORE THAN 50 HOMESTEADS IN UGANDA!

Optimist Club Of Kampala, Gladly carried out its first project in Nanfuka Zone 2. This Slum village exposes one of the worst living conditions ever. It's found in Lubaga division, Nateete Parish located on the southwestern edge of the city of Kampala. The distance from the area to Kampala Capital city is approximately 8 kilometres (5.0 miles). For a reason above average, most of the families in this area are led by Single mothers who are reported not to have serious work employments, where as most are engaged in side hawker businesses to afford for their survival at a Household level. With the Outbreak of the world pandemic (Covid-19), Effects of the lockdown worsened the dwellers living conditions to date, hence justifying the need for OPTIMIST CLUB OF KAMPALA to extend a sharing hand with the Nanfuka village dwellers.

Optimist International organisation representatives from Kampala club were highly appreciated for such a caring heart!

Thank you team for your contributions!

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