



## Coming Events April 13, 2023



**Attendance:** 17 Members

**Guests:** Mary Andert, Jan Bradley, Barb Rodgers, Jolene Hackman, Pennie Chandler, and Mike Harvey.

**Drawing:** Mike Gregory,

**April Birthdays:** Blaine Chandler 17.

**Cooks:** Domino's Pizza with sides and salads by the membership

### Coming Events:

**CC Graduation,** Sat, Apr 29, 10:00, Tm 4

**CC Graduation,** Sat, Apr 29, 1:30, Tm 5

**W Soccer,** Th, May 25, 7:30, Tm 1

**Today's Meeting:** Lloyd Viehland opened the meeting with our invocation, then we sat down to a pizza dinner from Domino's Pizza. This was one of our best meetings in a while, with 17 club members and 6 guests. We heard from Mike Harvey, from the Douglas Baseball Association before we started our business meeting. Holly Flynn let us in the Pledge of Allegiance to open our meeting. It was good to see Harold Hackman and Barb Rodgers back with us again. Someone reported that Don Helmreich was down again with another foot injury. There was no update on Kayde Holton after her fall last month. Mike spoke to Milford and he is still struggling with his leg infection. May 5 is reading day at Blue Ridge Elementary and club members are encouraged to attend. There are 2 reading sessions, 9:00 to 11:00, and 1:00 to 2:00. May 6 is our Trivia Night, so get your teams ready. The UTI team is searching for members for the competition. The club is going to buy a kids mobility cart. We will decorate the cart and it will be shown at the Farmer's Market before it is shipped to needy recipient in Africa. Jack went over the work schedule for Columbia College. We have a Hoops Midwest event in late May, and Show-Me State Games in early June, and until we get more details on dates and times, we cannot schedule times and teams. The board has been struggling with what to do about rentals. Several of our recent rentals have abused their rental times and sometimes the police have been called. We are still discussing possible actions. Eliminating rentals will be a big financial burden on the club. Harold Hackman led us in the Optimist Creed to close the meeting

**Today's Program:** Mike Harvey spoke to us about the Douglas Park Baseball program. They average about 132 kids each year in their program. All the teams are coed and they have T-ball, coach pitch and kid pitch leagues. This is a volunteer group and the board members also serve as umpires. The teams are all named after teams from the old Negro Baseball League. Now that COVID is less of a threat, they hope to take the kids to the Negro League Museum this year. President Lindsey Wulff presented Mike with our check of support for \$500.