

HIGH NOON



Jackson Noon Optimist
P.O. Box 615
Jackson, MO 63755



Meetings held on Wednesday - 12:00 PM - Delmonico's

October 2019

Volume 1



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.

Optimist International

President's Message

Welcome to the 2019-2020 Optimist Year! We had a great installation banquet to kick off the new year. A big thank you to the Installation Committee. You ladies outdid yourselves!

I would like to thank Clarinda Unger for the great job she did as President. I think all of us can agree that she led our club with dedication, hard work and patience. Clarinda can now relax (just a little) and look back on her year with pride.

During my letters to you each month I would like to include information from Optimist International that some of you may not be familiar with. This month I would like to focus on their Club Recognition Program. There are three levels of club recognition:

- 1) "Bringing Out the Best" Club
- 2) Honor Club
- 3) Distinguished Club

The requirements or each level are listed on page 4 of the newsletter. As you will see, each of these levels can be difficult mainly due to the fact that they require adding and retaining members. Honestly, this is the hardest part for clubs trying to attain any of the levels.

My goal this year for our club is Honor Club. I feel that is doable. However, I am not going to leave out the possibility of Distinguished Club. I am after all an Optimist!

Optimistically yours,

Lauri Spain

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10-02 LAURI SPAIN
10-03 JODI STAFFORD
10-07 MARY BONER
10-23 CHRISTY MOORE
10-29 SANDRA CANNON

Personal Growth and Involvement (PGI)

Members should bring their PGI Passport book to the first meeting of every month so that you can work on requirements to help you meet the various levels of the PGI program.

New members will be given a book at the October meeting.

An explanation of the program will be given for those who are new to the club.

Carol Rohlfs, PGI Chair

BINGO

Noon Club-October 11

Men's Club-October 25

MEETING SCHEDULE October

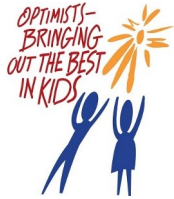
- 01 Board Meeting
6:30 p.m. Jackson Chamber meeting room
- 02 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Business and Work on PGI (Personal Growth and Involvement)*
- 09 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Program: Tori Mincemeyer, Balanced Nutrition Solutions*
- 16 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Fellowship*
- 23 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Program: Sandra Cannon, Make-a-Wish*
- 30 *President's Choice*
Paula Givens Farm

5th Wednesday Meeting October 30, 2019

**Paula Givens Farm
1878 County Road 442
Jackson, MO 63755**

Directions: From McCombs Funeral Home, travel on Route D towards Oak Ridge for 3.1 miles, turn right on County Road 442. Go 1.878 miles and turn right to the log cabin. There is a Century Farm sign at the mailbox.

Exact plans for lunch are still in the planning stages. You will be notified of the details at a later date.



October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Business and PGI</i>	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Program</i>	10	11 BINGO	12
13	14	15	16 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Fellowship</i>	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Program</i>	24	25 <i>Men's Club</i> BINGO	26
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President's Message Continued

Optimist International Club Recognition Awards 2019-2020

1. "Bringing Out the Best" Club
 - a. Complete two or more service projects each year
 - b. Complete the Club Pride Report
 - c. Be Current on District and Optimist International dues
 - d. Add two or more members
 - e. Conduct a Membership Recruitment Drive (i.e. NOW Program)
 - f. Recognize a Club member or local community individual
2. Honor Club
 - a. Complete three or more service projects each year
 - b. Complete the Club Pride Report and Club Officer-Elect Form
 - c. Recognize a Club member or local community individual
 - d. Grow Club by Net of +3 in membership
 - e. Appoint a Club Foundation Representative and make a non-restricted contribution to the OIF or CCOF
 - f. Conduct a Membership Recruitment/Drive (i.e. NOW) Program
 - g. Club President, Club President-Elect (or two Designees) attend District Convention (or two other District meetings/conferences)
 - h. Be current on District and Optimist International Dues and Fees
3. Distinguished Club
 - a. Meet Honor Club Criteria plus one of the following:
 - b. Add Net + 15 in membership OR
 - Build one or more new Clubs OR
 - Increase by Net + 8 and build two or more Junior Optimist International Clubs

Upcoming Special Meetings

Zone 11 Meeting
October 7, 2019
Jackson Chamber of Commerce

Food will be provided

Club officers and board members are encouraged to attend. All club members are also welcome at these meeting. John Strickland is the Zone 11 Lt. Governor for 2019-2020.

jstrickland03@charter.net

East Missouri District
First Quarter Conference
October 25-26
Arnold, MO

Club officers and board members are encouraged to attend. All club members are also welcome at these meeting.

Please contact Debra Hoffmann by October 4 if you plan to attend so that your registration can be submitted.

September Meeting Notes

September 4

Business (See board briefs on the right.)

September 11

Program—Carol Rohlf and Anita Sievers

Carol and Anita presented information about their trip to the Optimist International Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.



September 18

Fellowship: Susan Hahs and Kathy Lowes, leaders

Fall decorations and candy were on each table. Members prepared Santa Keys for the children who will be riding the Santa trains this holiday season.

September 25

No Meeting—Installation Banquet was held on Monday, September 23.

Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at the Jackson Chamber of Commerce meeting room at 6:00 p.m. This was a joint meeting of the current board and the new board for 2019-2020.

Committee Updates

Installation Banquet is Monday, Sept. 23.

Audit—Internal audit of the club books was completed by Heidi Duckworth and Connie Werner. They found no exceptions but suggested that the financial statements end on the end of the month as the bank statements do.

Board Action

- Selected a member to nominate for the iImagine—Together We Can, Together We Will award.

Other Items

- Budget meeting set for Thursday, Sept. 26 at the home of Patty Turner.
- Discussion of background checks was tabled until next month.
- Janet Poston will continue to look for a source for polo shirts. Tabled to next month.

Lauri Spain, Acting Secretary

iImagine

“I have chosen the simple theme of iImagine to guide my year as President. However, though this word is simple, my goals are not. We must re-imagine the financial, marketing and operational programs of Optimist International to become the premier volunteer organization of the world. “

Adrian Elcock
Optimist International President
2019-2020



Installation Banquet

The 2019-2020 Installation Banquet was held on Monday, September 23 at the Jackson Civic Center. Dinner was catered by Tractor's. Entertainment was provided by Southern Harmony.



Guest Speaker—Mary Hatfield,
East Missouri District Governor

President's Citation—President Clarinda Unger presents the 2018-2019 President's Citation to Lauri Spain



2019-2020



Mary Hatfield, East Missouri District Governor installed the new officers and board members for 2019-2020.

President—Lauri Spain
President-Elect—Heidi Duckworth
Vice-President—Paula Givens
Secretary—Debra Hoffmann
Treasurer—Patty Turner
Past-President—Clarinda Unger

Board Members:

Mary Boner
Emily Collins
Janell Hinkebein
Kathy Lowes
Janet Poston
Rhonda Sievers

Awards



Service Awards—President Clarinda Unger presents Service Awards for 2018-2019 to Debra Hoffmann, Janell Hinkebein and Lauri Spain.

Debra Hoffmann, club secretary, presented the perfect attendance awards listed below. Congratulations to this group for their attendance and active participation through the years.

Mary Boner	1	Clarinda Unger	7
Sandra Cannon	1	Susan Hahs	8
Paula Givens	1	Janell Hinkebein	8
Cathy Goodman	1	Donna Rushing	8
Barbara Gohlson	2	Wanda Young	9
Kathy Lowes	2	Esther Bohnert	10
Connie Werner	3	Debra Hoffmann	11
Barbara Lohr	4	Carol Rohlfs	14
Janet Poston	5	Mary Kirn	17
Lauri Spain	5	Anita Sievers	27
Emily Collins	7		



Passing of the Gavel—Outgoing President Clarinda Unger passed the gavel to the new club president Lauri Spain.



Sandra Cannon received her first year Perfect Attendance Award.



Gift for Outgoing President Clarinda Unger—Incoming president Lauri Spain presents a gift to Clarinda for her service as president during 2018-19.

Optimist International Foundation

Dime A Day Donation



Anita Sievers, Club Optimist International Foundation Representative Request:

As the new Optimist 2019-2020 year begins, it is again time to consider a donation to the Optimist International Foundation.

With just one dime a day, you can become part of the movement of "Helping Optimists Help Kids" and become part of a large group of Foundation supporters who realize what a difference they make every day in the lives of children.

Would you consider making a gift of just a dime a day to assist the charitable work of Optimist International?

The Dime-A-Day level is reached by a contribution of \$36.50 to the Foundation within one Optimist Year, and is recognized by the presentation of a pin.

The donation form is attached and will also be available at regular meetings. Completed forms and checks can be submitted to Anita Sievers.

Essay Contest Topic 2019-2020

"Is Optimism the Key to Achieving the Dreams you iMagine?"

Oratorical Contest Topic 2019-2020

"Just iMagine a World without Boundaries".

1st Quarter—October 25-26, 2019
Arnold, MO

2nd Quarter—February 21-22, 2020
Columbia, MO

3rd Quarter—May 1-2, 2020
St. Louis, MO

Optimist International Convention—June 28-July 1
Schaumburg, Illinois (Chicago Northwest)

4th Quarter Convention—August 14-16, 2020
Cape Girardeau, MO



Optimist
INTERNATIONAL
East Missouri District

**Conferences
and
Conventions**

JACKSON NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

2019-2020 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Lauri Spain—204-7006

VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Heidi Duckworth—421-5504

VICE PRESIDENT

Paula Givens—314-956-8705

PAST PRESIDENT

Clarinda Unger—243-5409

SECRETARY

Debra Hoffmann—243-7479

TREASURER

Patty Turner—243-8273

DIRECTORS:

Mary Boner—262-2077

Emily Collins—243-7613

Janell Hinkebein—243-3367

Kathy Lowes—243-5713

Janet Poston—450-0262

Rhonda Sievers—204-0625

Connie Werner—450-9677

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:

Adrian Elcock

EAST MISSOURI DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

Michael Boles

Lt. Governor Zone 11:

John Strickland

Newsletter articles and photos deadline is the 25th of each month. Send reports to Debra Hoffmann: dhoffmannr2@yahoo.com.



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