



Twin City Area Optimist Club

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August 2021 News: Making a Difference

NEW OPTIMISTS WELCOME



Anita Bieberly



Karleh Brauch



Vickie Campbell



Lisa Casey-Rush



Katy Rose Lewis



Cheyenne Pratt



Kathy Todd

EMO CONVENTION

The East Missouri District of Optimist
International invites you to

*The 4th Quarter
Convention and Gala*

August 13-15 at Drury Plaza Hotel and
Convention Center, Cape Girardeau



Jean Naeger, EMO Conference/Convention Chair getting ready for weekend events



Tony Parisio from the Columbia Downtown Club was the BIG WINNER. He won \$769 from the Queen of Hearts raffle Friday evening, \$125 from the 50/50 raffle on Saturday, and he walked off with an attendance prize too!

Phyllis Neff, Club OI Foundation Rep presents checks to Kristin Ham for OI Foundation and Childhood Health and Wellness donations



Installation of 2021-2022 EMO Officers



Regional VP Elect Lister Florence swears in Governor Lauren Dell, Secretary/Treasurer Kristin Ham, Governor Elect Ernest Wren, Lt. Governor Pat Hecht, Zone 11, Lt. Governor Phyllis Neff, Zone 10, and Jan Palmer, Zone 3



Welcome to the
EMO Governor's Gala
August 14, 2021



**Mary Hatfield, Jean Naeger, Gerty O'Leary, Barb Schmidt, and Phyllis Neff
represented the club at EMO Convention.
Four past presidents and one president elect**

CLUB PROJECTS



Parents as Teachers

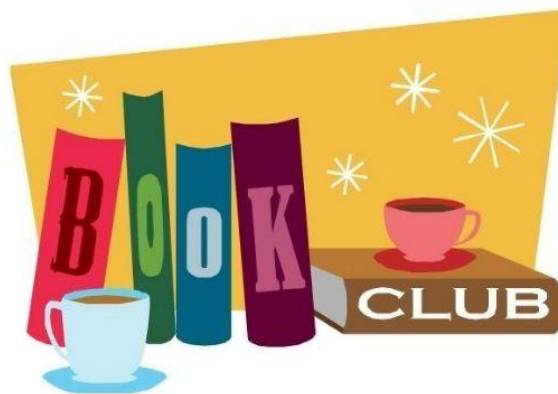
Members will meet to assemble school supplies after our noon meeting at Taytro's

DATE: Sept. 2, 2021

TIME: 1:30 pm

PLACE: Poppy's Parlor

BOOK CLUB



Reading List thru end of the year

All over but the Shoutin' by Rick Bragg, July
Redhead by the Side of the Road by Anne Tyler, August
The Lost and Found Bookshop by Susan Wiggs, September
The Magic Hour by Kristen Hannah, October
The House We Grew Up In by Lisa Jewell, November
Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeycutt, December.

The meetings for the book club will be 45 minutes before the start of the evening meeting on the last Thursday of the month.

CHILDHOOD CANCER

The Childhood Cancer Committee is currently helping two new children. One is a 13 year old girl who has stage 4 Rhabdomyosarcoma. She is receiving 52 chemo treatments, of which she has receive 18. A check for \$150 was issued to help with gas/food expenses.

The second child is an 18 month old girl undergoing treatment for leukemia. A check for \$150 was also issued for gas/food expenses.

Carroll Metzger will continue to follow Hailey Walker and Debbie Schumaker will take over chair position for Cancer Committee, taking on new cases.

CRAVER COMMUNITY NIGHT

**WHITE CASTLE WILL
DONATE 15% OF YOUR PURCHASE TO:**



**This
Twin City Area
Optimist Club
fundraiser
Earned
\$255.71**

A special thank you to Hailey Walker for choosing our club to receive donation for this restaurant fundraiser. Remember you can still purchase raffle tickets from Carroll Metzger. The drawing will take place somewhere around Hailey's October 27th birthday. All proceeds from basket raffles will go to Hailey.

JOI CLUB

August 2021 Junior Optimist Update:

- Forms to be sent out to local schools for students to participate in the BB 5K (for suicide awareness/prevention) essay contest. Subject: "What would you do if you knew someone that did not want to live any longer?" Students are to participate in BB 5K walk/run to qualify as well. Deadline for essay and application is October 1, 2021 per email to Debbie Schumaker or Katie Huck. Proceeds this year go to the winning students for a scholarship!
- Josie and Sophie received a response from their pen pals from Festus Manor.
- Several blankets have been made by members for lap blankets to be given out when we Christmas carol at a local nursing center.
- The JOI members are attending several local school open houses to hand out new membership applications.
- Election of officers for the 2021-2022 year will be at the September 2nd meeting. Nominees must be a JOI member for at least one year and have parent approval. Email entry to Katie by August 26th to be on ballot.
- New location for Junior Optimist meeting starting in September is Joachim Platin Ambulance District at 1235 N Truman Blvd in Crystal City. Thank you sent to Director, Curt Stueve.
- Reminder: 3rd Annual BB 5K is scheduled for Saturday October 23rd at 8 am. See details on flyer as well as link to print out the waiver and consent form. There are many ways to help us with this project by **participating, donating, working or sponsorship.**



Katie Huck
JOI Adult Advisor

Debbie Schumaker
JOI Chair



3rd Annual BB 5K



5K Teen Suicide Awareness Walk
Saturday, 8AM
October 23, 2021
At Larry Crites Memorial Park
(Formerly West City Park)

Cost of 5K - \$30
Includes t-shirt, certificate of appreciation, snacks, fruit and Behavioral Health information
Unable to walk, T-shirts may be purchased for \$20
Student cost without t-shirt \$10
Sweatshirts only-\$30 or \$45 as participant
Checks to TCA Optimist at PO Box 475, Festus MO 63028 or Venmo @JOI63028

Student scholarship winners of funds raised will be announced after the 5K

**ALL AGES ARE
WELCOME TO
PARTICIPATE**

Contact information:
Debbie Schumaker 314-471-7213,
Katie Huck 314-520-6340, or
Carol Schanz 314-222-4344



Junior Optimist International
3rd Annual 2021 5K Run/Walk for Bryan Brennan
Take 10 for BB ... "Teen Suicide Awareness/Prevention"
Waiver and Consent Form

Please read the information below and to the right carefully.

By completing the form below and submitting your information, you are agreeing to the Rules and Conditions outlined here for participation in the Optimist Walk at Larry Crites Memorial Park formally West City Park located in the far back pavilion (north end).

If under age 18 years, you must have your parent or legal guardian's consent to participate, and a parent/legal guardian must attend with you and sign in on Saturday October 23, 2021 at 7:30 am. Walk starts at 8 am.

We have new t-shirt or sweatshirt color this year: **Blue**

Cost is \$30.00, which includes your T-shirt or \$45.00 for a sweatshirt. If you do NOT wish to participate the cost of the T-shirt is \$20.00 or \$30 for a sweatshirt. Deadline to order shirt is October 1, 2021. Must receive fee before we can order your T-shirt. **Student fee without shirt is \$10.00.**

Send payment and form to Twin City Optimist Club, Attn: Debbie, P.O. Box 475, Festus, MO 63028 or to Venmo @ JOI63028.

*form must be filled out, submitted per text, e-mail, or mail.

Any questions call Debbie at 314-471-7213 or Carol at 636-222-4344.

Participant info:

Name: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Phone Number: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Type of shirt _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian/Participant Signature: _____

Date _____

By submitting this form, I hereby agree to participate in the Junior Optimist Walk at Larry Crites Memorial Park formally West City Park, Festus, MO and I confirm that I have read, understand and agree to the Rules.

In addition to giving full consent for my participation, I do hereby waive, release and hold harmless the organizations named below, its sponsors, volunteers, supervisors and representatives for any injury that may be suffered by me in the normal course of participation in the designated activity and the activities there to, whether the result of negligence or any other cause.

I authorize the use of the participant's name and any photos taken of the participant, during the Junior Optimist Walk at Larry Crites Memorial Park formally Festus West City Park project solely for the purposes of promotion of this or future events.



****Proceeds of the BB 5K will go to a local school.***

****All ages are welcome.***

FUNDRAISERS



MOUSE RACES

**Twin City Area
Optimist Club
Fall Fundraiser**

DATE: Saturday September 18, 2021

TIME: 7 pm (doors open at 6 pm)

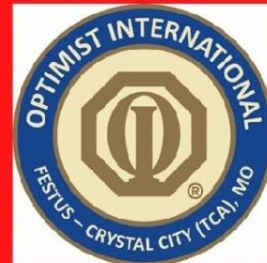
PLACE: Mississippi River Eagles
330 Bailey Rd., Crystal City, MO

Non-Refundable Tickets

\$20 in advance

\$25 at the door

MUST BE 21 OR OLDER



Purchase tickets by phone: 314 471 7213

Venmo: @TC-Optimist

Website: Fundraisers (twincityoptimist.org)

Tickets include beer, snacks, & soda

MEETINGS

ZOOM BINGO

Thursday August 26, 2021

6:00 p.m. meeting
followed with BINGO

Contact Peggy Scott to obtain a BINGO Card
peggyscott@leaderpublications.biz

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BINGO				
2	21	32	46	66
15	30	44	58	70
5	29	FREE SPOT	48	74
6	16	33	52	68
10	26	45	53	63



ZOOM link will be sent out
prior to meeting



Members meet at Taytros every Thursday at Noon - 1 p.m. The last Thursday of the month is an evening meeting. Time and place TBD.

Our Club will continue looking at the sunny side of everything and being committed to bringing out the best in our area youth.

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