



Twin City Area Optimist Club

P.O. Box 475
Festus, MO 63028

www.twincityoptimist.org

Do It For The Kids!

June / July 2019

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2017 - 2019

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2018 - 2020

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Caryl Harness

Janet Mace

iMAGINE for 2020

Those of us who were able to attend the Optimist International Convention in Louisville have tried to bring back the enthusiasm, motivation, and inspiration we experienced. If you want to feel like you were there, just search Optimist International on YouTube for some of the videos. Of course, it's always better if you can experience it firsthand if you can.



Here are just a few of the things I heard at the convention:

- Align yourself with positive people.
- Focus on the creed.
- Bring out the best in others by bringing out the best in yourself.
- Work towards goals and encourage others to do the same.
- Failures are opportunities to learn
- Face obstacles with optimism.
- Don't be afraid of failing. Be afraid of not trying.
- Find your purpose. Don't let your challenges define you.
- Generosity begets generosity. If you give to the world, then the world will give back. Never take more than you give.

Current OI President Rebecca Butler Mona and her team have worked hard to lead the organization into the next 100 years! There was a focus on doing a better job of marketing our clubs in our communities. Our Marketing Committee has done an excellent job with that task. I also look forward to the leadership of OI President Designate Adrian Elcock. His theme for the new 2019/2020 Optimist year is iMAGINE and next year's OI Convention will be held in Schaumburg, Illinois (a northwest suburb of Chicago). I highly encourage you to consider attending next year. It is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow club members better as well as members from your zone, district, and across the world! Can you just imagine the "Mango Ladies" in Chicago? I CAN!

Sincerely,
Mary McDowell, President
314-954-4358

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

EMO 4th Quarter District Convention

August 9-11, 2019

Holiday Inn Executive Center,
2200 I-70 Drive

Columbia, MO 65203



Come on out to the 4th Quarter East Missouri District Convention. It's our final conference of the Optimist year where we vote for our Governor-Elect!! We have two excellent candidates, Mary Meers and Liz Christman!!

Friday Night Soap Box Derby putt-Putt Golf



Bring a broom on Friday evening for our Optimist Hockey game in honor of the Stanley Cup Champions!!



Mid-Missouri Soap Box Derby

Exhibition on Saturday Afternoon thanks to Columbia Downtown Optimist Club!!



Putt Putt Golf Friday night in honor of our District Jr. Golf Tournament.

Educational Sessions



OI Trainer Tracy Huxley will be on-site Saturday for Club Officer Training!!
Additional Training Sessions offered Saturday.



Junior Optimists visit and tour the Ronald McDonald House delivering donated items.

**JOI CLUB OFFICERS
2018 - 2019**

PRESIDENT
Ayden Eldridge

VICE PRESIDENT
Addisen Eldridge

SECRETARY
Olivia Blair

TREASURER
Audrey Staley

The Twin City Area Optimist and Junior Optimist Clubs went to Ronald McDonald House on Thursday June 6, 2019. Thanks to all that participated either by donating the items (two carts) or coming to join us at the RMH for the tour. It was well worth it and as always we had fun and learned so much from the ambassador. The dining room was full of people that use this wonderful facility. We ended the evening with a trip to Chick Fil-A which was yummy.



Thank you, Debbie for bringing a prospective member.



Another successful project by both our clubs!! Congratulations.



Katie Huck
Adult Adviser
JOI Club

UPCOMING

JOI CLUB MEETINGS

7pm at the YMCA

August 1st

ADULT ADVISER
Katie Huck

CO-CHAIRMAN
Debbie Schumaker

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Ronald McDonald
House Charities®
St. Louis

Dear Katie,

Thank you so much for your generous gift. By supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis, you are keeping families close when they need it most.

While we cannot take away the pain that comes with having a critically ill child, we are able to provide the comforts of home: a place to rest and rejuvenate, homemade meals each night, and warm showers. Most importantly, we offer a place of community, where families can spend time together and lean on one another. All of this is made possible by our friends and partners. Your contribution of \$100.00 will help RMHC St. Louis provide comfort, care and a home-away-from-home for nearly 14,000 families this year.

On behalf of those who call our Houses "home," thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Frank Cognata
Vice President, Development

Please send our deepest gratitude to all Twin City Optimists

FUNDRAISER FOR KIDS!

Sponsored By

TWIN CITY AREA OPTIMIST CLUB

*Benefiting the kids of southern Jefferson County
(Pevely, Herculaneum, Festus, Crystal City, Hillsboro, DeSoto)*



Presents...

Saturday, September 14th

6:00 p.m.

**at Mississippi River Eagles
330 Bailey Rd, Crystal City**



Tickets Include:

**A chance to win a 65" TV
PLUS Draft Beer, Soda & Snacks
And a Gaming Voucher
Live Auction and Prize Baskets**



SOME OF THE OPTIMIST CLUB'S PROJECTS FOR THE KIDS:

- Coats for Kids · Head Start Christmas Party
- Dictionary for every 3rd grader · Food baskets for families
- Childhood Cancer Campaign · Art Contest

**Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.
Must be 21 or older. For more information or
to order tickets, contact Debbie, 314-471-7213**



Welcome
New Member
Jaclyn Brown



Welcome
New Member
Delores Pijut



Welcome
New Member
Tammy-Moran!



A Toast by

Our Governor,
Mary Hatfield



Appreciation Lunch
at
Convention, Louisville



Congratulations
Rookie Rock Star
PATTY MEYER!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

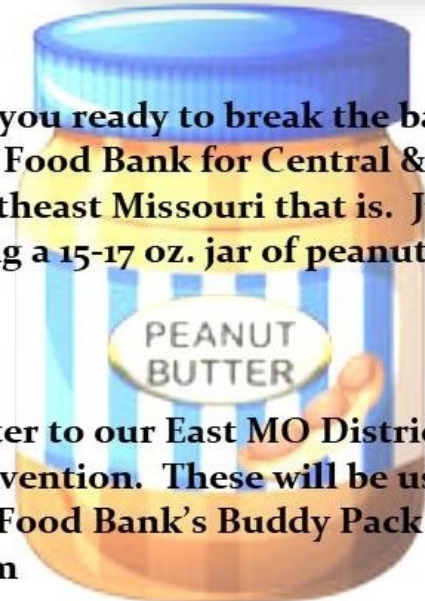
JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1st - Becky LeBoube
- 6th - Phyllis Neff
- 6th - Joann Thompson
- 10th - Loren Macon
- 11th - Geralyn Cash
- 12th - Elizabeth Check
- 14th - Elsie Williams
- 18th - Suzy Rauls
- 28th - Judy Lowe
- 29th - Sherry Armstrong

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1st - Pat Doenges
- 1st - Lillian Flynn
- 4th - Spencer Haley
- 6th - Barb Schmidt
- 7th - Kathy Nausley
- 8th - Judy Kreitler
- 10th - Tabitha Brauch
- 10th - Mavis Witte
- 18th - Janice Boyd
- 21st - Mary Kay Scott
- 23rd - Nicole Carter
- 29th - Caryl Harness
- 29th - Leisa Spiker
- 31st - Barbara Bates

Are you ready to break the bank?
The Food Bank for Central &
Northeast Missouri that is. Just
bring a 15-17 oz. jar of peanut



butter to our East MO District
Convention. These will be used in
the Food Bank's Buddy Pack Pro-
gram

July 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 30	1 Becky LeBoube	2	3	4 Happy July 4th	5	6 Phyllis Neff Joann Thompson
7	8 No Board Meeting	9	10 Loren Macon	11 Convention Update Geralyn Cash	12 Elizabeth Check	13
14 Elsie Williams	15	16	17	18 Jeff Co Parenting Network Suzy Rauls	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Evening Meeting Detour Grill & Bar Imperial, MO	26 BUNKO	27 Zone Meeting 9am Arnold
28 Judy Lowe	29 Sherry Armstrong	30	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
- Make up Credit can be received by:
 - 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.



HELLO AUGUST 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Pat Doenges ¹ Lillian Flynn Promise Yourself...	2	3
4 Spencer Haley	Parker Decker Golf Tournament Board of Directors Meeting, 5:30	6 Barb Schmidt	7 Kathy Nausley	8 Judy Kreidler Update	EMO 4th Quarter District Convention - Columbia Tabitha Brauch Mavis Witte	
11 EMO 4th Qtr District Conv Columbia	12	13	14	15 Old Bag Luncheon	16	17
18 Janice Boyd	19	20	21 Mary Kay Scott	22 NEW OPTIMISTS WANTED	23 Nicole Carter	24
25	26	27	28	Leisa Spiker ²⁹ Caryl Harness Evening Meeting Next Steppers Performance	30	31 Barbara Bates

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Festus – Crystal City
(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
Phyllis Neff 636-795-3665
pjneff@usmo.com

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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