



## Coming Events December 13, 2018



### Attendance 11

**Guests:** Lindsey Wulff, Jolene Hackman, Barb Rodgers, Linda Simmons, Chelsea Hagedorn, Penny Chandler, Alexis Chandler, Sue McDaniel, Julie Giesecker, and Wyatt Hartgrove

**Drawing Winner:** Peter Warnock

**Sick Call:** see below

**December Birthdays:** George Frissell 10, Kayde Holton 11, Henry Rainey 12

**Cooks:** the membership

### Coming Events:

**Columbia College Graduation**, Sat, Dec 15, 12:00, Volunteers

**WBB & MBB**, Mon, Dec 31, 1:00 & 3:00, Tm 5

**Coon Supper**, Mon, Jan 7, 6:00, at the clubhouse

**Today's Meeting:** President Don Helmreich opened the evening meeting at 6:00. Bob Bratton led us in our invocation. We then sat down to a dinner provided by our membership. I must apologize that due to a problem with my Instant Pot, my entrée was not available for the meeting. The rest of the food was very good. After the dinner, Mike Gregory led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. It was reported that Bob Grant was doing better, as he is getting out to round up more coons for our upcoming Coon Supper on January 7. We have tickets available for sale. See President Don Helmreich if you need tickets. This has been a busy week for our club. Last Saturday morning, we held our annual Breakfast with Santa. That event was another success. Doug Oncken did a very good job as Santa. Saturday evening, our clubhouse hosted the Zone Optimist Christmas Party. Sunday afternoon we hosted our annual Christmas Party with the kids from Coyote Hill Children's Home. We had another wonderful dinner and plenty of fun games for the kids (young and old). I wish I had pictures of Mike Gregory trying to keep up with the kids on some of the newer dances. After the meeting, Don Helmreich presented Coyote Hill with our continuing check of support for \$750. We will not be too busy at Columbia College this month. All we have is Graduation ceremonies this Saturday and a basketball double header on New Year's Eve. January and February will bring on the CC basketball season. Linda French led us in the Optimist Creed to close the meeting.

**Today's Program:** Chelsea Hagedorn spoke to us again about her literacy project at Blue Ridge Elementary School. She is trying to put more books in the hand of kids to encourage reading and increase student's reading skills. Blue Ridge has a population that is 96% below the poverty level, and about 30% of the students come from homes where English is not the first language. Reading is essential in getting the kids more proficient in English. Don Helmreich presented Chelsea with our check of continuing support for \$250.

**Upcoming Programs:**

No programs scheduled