

HIGH NOON



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



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

December 2018

Volume 3



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

As the season of giving to our fellowman approaches, Jackson Noon Optimist continue to gladly give throughout the year. We are honored to be able to raise the funds to generously give to our community and its citizens.

At the end of last year it was decided that we would select a Focus Project which allows a designated amount of money to be donated to a specific project/organization. The goal of this monetary gift is to make a positive difference and financial impact to the selected charitable organization.

It was a privilege of our organization to offer a \$4,000 check to the Mississippi Valley Therapeutic Horsemanship (MVTH); this donation will assist in building a tack room at MVTH. We were able to give to this Focus Project due to our membership's dedicated fund raising efforts such as Bingo and Southeast Missouri District Fair. Not only does our commitment to assist financially with area projects bring recognition to our Club, but also allows each of our members to actually receive the blessings of community spirit through hands-on leadership roles.

Congratulations to our Club for placing first in our division of Achievement and Awards (A&A), by achieving 61,775 points. Anita Sievers, the Chairperson for A&A, is the individual for our Club who reports our activities. It is important we keep Anita informed of our activities and the number of members who participated in each Community project.

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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 11 Lynette Moore**
- 21 Jodi Thompson**
- 23 Anita Sievers**
- 24 Merideth Pobst**
- 26 Marilyn Turner**

MEETING SCHEDULE DECEMBER

- 04** Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Jackson Chamber meeting room
- 05** Noon Meeting—Delmonico's *Business*
- 11** Christmas Party
Susan Hahs home
6:00 p.m.
- 12** **No Meeting**
- 19** Noon Meeting—Delmonico's
Fellowship: LaDonia Beggs and
Emily Collins, leaders
- 26** **No Meeting**
- January 2—No Meeting

Reminder

Christmas Party
December 11
6:00 p.m.
Susan Hahs Home

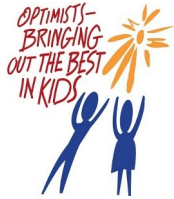
RSVP by December 7
Mary Kirn @ 979-4890 or
maryekirn@yahoo.com

BINGO

December 14

Men's Bingo

December 28



December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Board Meeting	Noon Meeting Delmonico's Business			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Christmas Party	No Meeting		BINGO	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Noon Meeting Delmonico's Fellowship			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Merry Christmas	No Meeting		Men's Club BINGO	
30	31					

President's message continued

There is an extensive list of areas we can receive points for our Club, below are a few examples:

- ◇ Number of members who have perfect attendance
- ◇ Hold more than 36 meetings
- ◇ Add a new member
- ◇ Donation of \$5 or more per member to OI Foundation or Childhood Cancer
- ◇ PGI Program – per level achieved
- ◇ Community Projects, Contests and Service Projects – hands on involvement

Please note on our calendar we do not meet Wednesday, December 12, 2018, Wednesday, December 26, 2018 and Wednesday, January 2, 2019,

The holidays are a time for family and loved ones. We count our blessings and celebrate the birth of our Christ. I am fortunate and count as one of my blessings to be associated with the Jackson Noon Optimist Club and all of you. Wishing all of you a wonderful and safe holiday.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



God Bless

Clarinda

Optimist Bingo Meeting

On Monday, November 26 a meeting of the four area Optimist Club who are responsible for Friday Bingo met to discuss some important issues. Representatives from the Jackson Noon, Jackson Evening, Cape Noon and Cape Evening were present. Bruce Scherer led the meeting. The agenda included:

- Need to replace Mary Kirn as chairman of the Optimist Bingo Board.
- How clubs could handle more of the weekly duties that have been done by Mary.
- Future of Bingo as a fundraiser.

Club Policies

At the November board meeting the club policies and procedures for 2018-2019 were updated and approved. A copy of the policies are attached to the newsletter email. Several items have been added and/or revised. Therefore, please review them.

The board is looking forward to a very successful and enjoyable Optimist year.

November Meeting Notes

November 7

Business (See board briefs on the right.)

November 14

Program—SEMO Prom Mothers

Brenda Randolph presented an interesting program about SEMO Prom Mothers of Jackson—First Presbyterian Church. This organization is an active chapter of Becca's Closet. They collect and distribute formal attire to young women in financial need so that they can attend their high school formal events.

Distributions are free. They have 3 Open Houses a year or can meet with girls individually. They accept donations of party dresses formals and accessories as well as cash donations.



November 21

No Meeting. Happy Thanksgiving.

November 28

Program—

Jodie Brunke and Varina Luttrull from Mississippi Valley Therapeutic Horsemanship presented information and answered questions about MVTH. The club selected MVTH as the Focus Project this year and a donation of \$4,000 was given to build a tack room at their facility. (See Photo on next page.)

Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 in the meeting room at the Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

Committee Updates

Basketball—Susan reported that registration for Girls Basketball had been held on Saturday, November 3 with approximately 80 girls registering.

Bicycle Safety—planning is being done for updating Bicycle Safety area in the city park. Work to begin in the spring.

Pumpkin Patch—Five members volunteered at this event.

Board Action

- Club policies and procedures were approved.
- Approved purchase of \$200 in Delmonico's gift cards from Sam's Club at a discount to use in paying for guest speaker meals.

Debra Hoffmann, Secretary

Optimist International Foundation

Dime A Day Donation



Remember to turn in your Dime A Day donation of \$36.50 to Anita Sievers, Club Optimist International Foundation Representative.

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.

Focus Project 2017-2018



At the noon meeting on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 members of the Jackson Noon Optimist Club presented Jodie Brunke and Varina Bosworth-Luttrull of Mississippi Valley Therapeutic Horsemanship a \$4,000 check. The money will be used for a tack room at the MVTH facility. MVTH is an organization dedicated to offering therapeutic horse riding to children and adults living with disabilities. The facility is located off Highway D in Oak Ridge.

Presenting the check is Susan Hahs, Club President 2017-2018. Pictures from left to right—Row 1: Past President Susan Hahs, Jodie Brunke, Varina Luttrull, Paula Givens, President Clarinda Unger. Row 2: Finance Committee consisting of Janet Poston, Mary Boner, Debra Hoffmann and Connie Werner.

JACKSON NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

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