



THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLUMBIA (Downtown Optimist)

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The Weekly Bulletin

Monday, January 21, 2019

Call to Order: Mary Dewey, President at 12:05 pm

Invocation: Ken Oster

Pledge: Jim Murphy

Introduction of Guests and New and Old Member (who have been gone): Rick McKernan had a guest. His name is Ron Lueck, of Lueck Surveying. Ron's office was adjacent to John Sapp's office, and the mailman would often leave mail for John or the Optimist Club o/o John at Ron's office. Ron is often at the clubhouse as a member of the Old Wheel Car Club which meets at the clubhouse and already knows many of our club members.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: No Birthday or Anniversaries this week

Mystery Person: Mary Dewey gave the gift card to Rick McKernan

Announcements:

Sign In or Pay the Pig

Welcome any new or retuning members

Tri-District Optimist (West Missouri, East Missouri and Kansas 2nd Quarter Conference: on Friday, February 15 and Saturday, February 16 at the Adam's Marks Hotel (9103 East 39th Street Kansas City, MO). If anyone is interested please let me know as soon as you can Registration deadline is Friday, February 8.

Food Bank: Larry Fick or Jim Murphy

We are sponsoring 2 CYBA this year. We are sponsoring a 1st and 2nd grade team and a 4th grade boys team. The 1st and 2nd grade team is playing at Beulah Ralph at 12:00 pm Downtown Optimist vs Midway Optimist Club team by Shannon Bahadori and Wendell Coonce this Saturday and the 4th grade boys team is playing at 9:00 am coach Kevin Pistole at Gentry Middle School. If you have time Saturday please go out and support our teams. If you want a copy of their schedule please let me know and I can get you one.

Downtown Optimist Club Annual Chili Cook-off:

Event will occur on 1/22/19 at the D. O. Clubhouse. Cook-off will start at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$10/adult. There is no meal charge for kids. Money from the Chili Cook-Off will be going to keep up the clubhouse with paper goods.

Boys and Girls Club of Columbia Annual Rootin' Tootin' Chili Cook-off:

Scott Stager stated this event will occur on February 16, 2019. He requested additional assistance from the D. O. Club with funds (e.g., to reserve booth space) for our Club to prepare Chili at this event. Steve will double check with the Boy's and Girl's club to see if we can sell the Koeze Nuts during the Rootin' Tootin Chili Cook-Off. if we can sell the rest of the Koeze Nuts during this event and give the money we make will go back to

the Boy's and Girl's Club. Scott is looking volunteers to come a help Friday, February 15 evening to help set up. Saturday, February 16 he will need help from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm for preparing and cooking for the chili and then from 2:00 to closing for passing out the chili samples and cleaning up. The last 2 years we have taken 2nd or 3th place during this event.

Computer Give-Away:

President Dewey stated that Rick McKernan wanted everyone to know that the computer give-away is slated for February 20-23, 2019. We are looking for members to help with this event. Computers will be coming to the clubhouse on Wednesday, February 20, and Thursday, February 21 at 4:00 pm is when we will be putting the computers together. He would like the board members to come and help with this before our board meeting at 6:00 pm that evening for those who can help. On Saturday, February 23 the Boone County Sheriff Department will come and talk to parents and kids about the computer safety before the families will receive a computer. Rick will need help that day too.

Reminder the January 28, 2019 D. O. Club Meeting:

President Dewey reminded members that on January 28, 2019 the weekly D. O. Club meeting will be held at the Tiger Hotel beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for members who cannot make the noon meetings, due to scheduling conflicts with work, etc., can attend this meeting in the evening. Invitations have been sent to all D. O. members and other Optimist Clubs in the area.

Does anyone else have anything else to say from the floor:

Rick Mckernan told us about A young man remembers:

Last week, after the heavy snow and the city snow plows made pulling into the parking area in front of the clubhouse. I stopped by the clubhouse and was shoveling a small patch so at least one car could pull in for a pickups or deliveries. Shortly after I started, a young man jumped out from the passager side car and asked if he could help. I told him this was just volunteer job, no pay involved. he said that was fine, because there was a tall man from the Optimist Club that had given him his first job back 7 years ago, working on the drilling team for the Christmas trees with his dad and his grand-dad. He was talking about John Sapp, and his grand-dad is Walter, who has still been working for us all these years later. Guess what we do does make a difference...

Rick McKernan: Past Derby racer Ross Mutrux went through a collection of old papers from over fifty years ago when he raced and found a Derby racing booklet from 1949. There were many interesting historical tidbits contained therein, nut there were two items I found that made me chuckle given the comparison to today. One was that the very frist line in the rules book stressed , in capital letters, that the derby was just for BOYS. (Last year 20 of the 47 racers were girls.) The second was that the cost of all th eparts purchased to build the car had to be itemized and could not exceed \$6.00. (Today the cost of purchasing a car kit and getting it shipped to Columbia, MO is right at \$800.00.)

Cyrilla Galbreath told us about Dottie. She fell a couple week ago and broke her femur and she is at Lenior Home for recovery and physical therapy.

Cyrilla Galbreath also let us know that she will taking over the Downtown Optimist Club High Scholarships form to the high school on Tuesday, January 21 if the weather is good to the school counselors. The deadline for turn in is Monday, March 18, 2019.

If you enjoy Pancakes then come out and support our two local Optimist Clubs and Cosmopolitan Club:

Cosmopolitan Breakfast Club Pancake and Sausage Day on Saturday, January 26 from 6 to 1 pm cost \$8.00 at the door and \$7.00 advance. This will take place at the Jerry Sigmund Cosmopolitan Center 171 Burlington Street.

Ashland Optimist Club Pancake Day is on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at the Ashland Optimist Club House (511 Optimist Dr.) from 6:30 am to 2:00 pm

Midway Optimist Club Pancake Breakfast is on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Midway Elementary School (8130 US Highway 40 West) from 7:00 to 10:30 am. Cost is \$7.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for kids (K-5th grade).

Today's Speaker:

Monday, January 21, 2019 (NO Speaker today)

Upcoming Speakers:

Monday, January 28, 2019 (NO NOON MEETING) Evening meeting at 6:00 pm at the Tiger Hotel (23 S 8th Street)

Monday, February 4, 2019 Debbie Waggoner and Linda Karl from Be the Change Volunteer

Monday, February 11, 2019 Jessica Taylor from The Central Missouri Foster CARE Adoption Association

Monday, February 18, 2019 Valerie Zumwalt from Show Me Leaders

Monday, March 4, 2019 Christina Torbet from Girls on the Run

Monday, March 11, 2019 Nikki McGruder from Inclusive Impact Insitute

Monday, March 18, 2019 Annelle Whitt from CPS MAC Scholars

Monday, March 25, 2019 Steve Smith from Job Point

Meeting ended at 12:45 pm with the Optimist Creed

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