



## **THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLUMBIA** (Downtown Optimist)

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### **In Person/ Zoom Meeting**

**Monday, January 20, 2025**

**Meeting began at 12:00 noon at the Clubhouse**

**Members in attendance: President: Mary Dewey, Pat Brown, Larry Fick, Carl Scott, Ed Musterman, Jerry Sullivan, Bob Slemmon, Rick McKernan, Sean Reberry, Nadia Ryakmyaulliov (Zoom), Jake Jolley, Steve Winter, Evan Schilling, Ken Oster, and Daryl Stockstill**

**Special Guests: Miranda Clines from Mizzou Children Development Lab, and Beverly Oster (Ken's wife)**

**Welcome Back: Evan Schilling and Ken Oster**

**Invocation: Rick McKernan**

**Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Slemmon**

**Birthdays/Anniversaries: N/A**

**Pay the pig (Money goes to the OIF Children Cancer: Pat Brown paid \$1.00 for NO NAME TAG (left it at home), Carl Scott paid \$1.00 for KU getting beat by ISU and Mizzou beating Florida and Arkansas in basketball, and Rick McKernan paid \$1.00 for KU beating KSU in basketball and buying batteries for Carl Scott bright orange shirt he was wearing that day. He was only joking.**

**Board Meeting on Thursday, January 16 at the Club House at 6:00 pm**

**We funding Adam Crumbliss from the Heart of MO United Way asking for \$5000 for Reading Across Columbia Program.**

**Nadia Ryakmyatulliov talked about the High School Scholarship is at all 4 high schools and will be due February 19<sup>th</sup>. It can be found on google on our website.**

**Jerry Sullivan want us know that our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pickleball Tournament will take place on Saturday, March 15 from 8:00 to 7:00 pm at the Sports Fieldhouse. He will be looking for volunteers to help with set up on Friday night and Saturday. Evan Schilling will be helping him put this together again this year with brackets.**

***Bringing Out The Best In Kids Since 1936***

**Rick McKrenan let us know that the Essay and Oratorical Contest will take place in March 16.**

**Ed Musterman want to know if you getting his weekly email about chicken dinner for the Monday meeting. If you know someone who not getting the weekly email please let Ed know. Thank you**

**Mary Dewey reminded us that Saturday, February 22th is our Super Zone meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> qtr. conference here at the clubhouse. We will have special guest going us from other Optimist club around us like Ashland, Kids First, Fulton Breakfast Club, Moberly, Sunrise, Mike Boles and Phyllis Nerf. Please let Mary know if you can attend so, she know how much food to order for lunch.**

**Carl Scott also reminded us that Boy's and Girl's Club Rootin Tootin Chili Contest is on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Holiday Inn Executive Center from 2:00 to 5:30. Greg Schneider if charge of this contest for the club. Looking for member to help cut up the vegetables, and hand out the sample of chili to the people. This event is a lot of fun talking to people about Optimist.**

**Our Speaker next week will be: Shelly Fair: Director of English Learners & Migrant Education CPS**

**Guest Speaker: Miranda Clines from Mizzou Children Development Lab (see attached)**

**Club winner: Mike Hatchett**

**Optimist Creed was recited and meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm**

**Mary Dewey: President**



**The MU Child Development Laboratory**



Located at 31 Stanley Hall

**CDL is an educational setting for community children and a teaching and research laboratory for University students, faculty and staff. The CDL operates a full-day, full-year teacher-training lab school affiliated with the Department of Human Development and Family Science (HDFS) within the College of Education and Human Development.**

**The CDL is licensed and accredited and was rated as one of the top ten child care centers in the nation by Child Magazine. The CDL serves 68 families with children from six weeks of age through age five. Promoting high quality child care in a model setting is a primary goal.**

## **CDL Mission**

**The mission of the CDL parallels the service, teaching and research missions of the University of Missouri. We strive to facilitate the teaching and research missions of the University, to promote the professional growth of undergraduate and graduate students, and to secure strong foundations for children and their families.**

**The intent of our program is to encourage and support the development of each child and to provide opportunities for self-exploration and discovery. An assumption of the program is that children are active and curious; it is our goal to provide learning experiences designed to stimulate the child's creative learning abilities.**

**The overall development (cognitive, social-emotional, linguistic, physical, creative) of the child is considered and planned for through a variety of activities. It is our objective to learn the needs of the individuals in our program and to plan for the successful fulfillment of those needs. Positive development of the child's image of self is of prime importance in the program and is a priority in all aspects of program planning.**

## **Growth and Development**

**The young child is a member of his family. It is our aim to work with the family in creating the best possible environment for the child while at the lab. The staff and students of the CDL are concerned with the total and unique growth and development of each child by promoting:**

### **Cognitive Development:**

- Learning to solve problems and form concepts.
- Demonstrating positive approaches to learning.

- Discovering and exploring the near environment.

### **Social-Emotional Development:**

- Developing self-esteem and personal adjustment skills.
- Achieving self-confidence in relationships.
- Developing a sense of responsibility and persistence in completing tasks.

### **Physical Development:**

- Developing hand and body coordination.
- Learning physical skills.
- Learning good health habits.

### **Creative Development:**

- Expressing ideas through creative skills.
- Expressing self through creative medium.
- Developing the ability to think and act in different and unique ways.

### **Language and Literacy Development:**

- Developing the ability to listen to and understand language.
- Developing the ability to use language to communicate ideas, thoughts, and feelings.
- Emerging writing skills and phonological awareness.

## **Classrooms:**

### **Blue Door- Infants/Toddlers**

- Enrolls 12 children, ages six weeks to 24 months
- Open 7:30am to 5:30pm

### **Green Door- Two Years Old**

- Enrolls 16 children, ages two to three years
- Open 7:30am to 5:30pm

### **Yellow Door- Preschoolers**

- Enrolls 20 children, ages three to five years
- Open 7:30am to 5:30pm

### **Red Door- Preschoolers**

- Enrolls 20 children, ages three to five years

- Open 7:30am to 5:30pm

## CDL PERSONNEL

All paid personnel of the MU Child Development Laboratory (CDL) are part of the Department of Human Development and Family Science within the College of Education and Human Development.

Each room has at least two full-time teachers; Blue Door has three full-time teachers. MU work study students, practicum students, volunteers and other students also spend time in the classroom to provide extra one-on-one interactions.

A variety of family and child needs are met through the CDL while college students from several departments are learning from first-hand experience how to become better teachers.

The CDL is directed by a faculty member who is responsible for day-to-day oversight including supervising personnel, enrollment, managing the budget, coordinating the educational program and maintaining licensing and accreditation. The director is also responsible for teaching, research, and advising within the department.

Each room is coordinated by a lead teacher who has a bachelor's degree in Human Development & Family Science, Early Childhood Education or a closely-related field coupled with extensive experience working with the specific age group and teaching college students.

All CDL full-time teachers have CPR, AED, First Aid certification, and a criminal background check.

### *Enrollment Fee*

There is a one-time enrollment fee of \$250.00.

**Newly Enrolled Deposits:** A \$300 security deposit is required for all newly enrolled children but is refundable if 30 days' notice is given. The deposit will hold a space for the child and will be refunded after you leave the CDL provided you give notice. All withdrawals require a 30-day notice submitted in writing to the CDL Office. Written

notification of withdrawal of less than one month will result in the forfeiture of the security deposit.

The tuition rate is based on a yearly amount, paid in 12 equal installments at the beginning of each month. No refunds or prorates are given for absences, vacations, holidays, days the CDL is closed, or professional days.

Program	Current Tuition
Infant	\$1,458/month
Toddler	\$1,430/month
Twos	\$1,381/month
Preschool	\$1,210/month

Tuition increases, if necessary, occur in July. Tuition rates are typically determined in Feb.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy New Year!	2 Mark Stevenson Birthday	3	4
5	6 Jake Jolley Birthday	7 Jack Crusie Birthday	8	9	10 Carl Scott Birthday	11
12	13 Patrick Kelly Admissions Director Father Tolton High School 12:00 pm Club House	14	15	16 Board Meeting 6:00 pm Clubhouse	17 Bryan Ninichuck joined the club in 2012	18

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19	20 Miranda Clines, Director, MU Child Development Lab 12:00 pm Club House	21	22	23	24	25 COSMO Pancake Day 1715 Burlington 6 to 1 pm  Moberly Spaghetti Dinner from 11 to 2 pm at St. Pius X Catholic Church
26	27 Shelly Fair, Director of English Learners & Migrant Education CPS 12:00 pm Club House	28	29	30 Robert Bellinghausen joined the club in 2001 Jake Jolley and Dave Murphy joined the club in 1997	31	

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Sunrise Optimist Club Spade Tournament starting at 7:00 pm for \$5.00	1 Ashland Optimist Club Pancake Day 511 Optimist Dr. 6 to 12 pm  Brent Sappington Birthday

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Kevin O'Brien, MO State Public Defender, Area 13 Trial Division 12:00 pm Club House	4	5 Bonnie Yantzi joined the club in 2018	6 Jerry Sullivan joined the club in 2019 National Optimist Day wear your Optimist shirts	7	8
9	10 Michael Parks, Manager Columbia Regional Airport 12:00 pm Club House	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Kelly Schilling, Member Spot Light 12:00 pm Club House	18	19	20 Board Meeting 6:00 pm Clubhouse	21	22 Super Zoom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr. at the Downtown Optimist Clubhouse Steve Klein joined the club in 2005
23	24 Barbara Horrell Columbia African American Heritage Trail 12:00 pm Club House	25	26	27	28 Greg Schneider joined the club in 2003	February 22th Boy's and Girl's Club Chili Contest at Holiday Inn Executive Center at 2:00 pm