

HIGH NOON



Jackson Noon Optimist
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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 this is the last President's Message I will be writing, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Officers and Board for the time they have given to continue to serve the Jackson Noon Optimist Club. Of course, and foremost, a heartfelt thank you to all of the members who have contributed towards serving on committees and working on our fundraisers which in turn have benefited our youth and our community.

Let me urge all of you to refer to our monthly newsletter which provides invaluable information regarding all events, programs and business of our Club. As I have said in the past, we are privileged to have a fantastic newsletter which reports to you the club's upcoming activities as well as their results. A big thank you to Deb and everybody who contribute to our newsletter.

Thank you for the honor of serving as your President this last year. The Jackson Noon Optimist membership is recognized as a highly respected organization which successfully supports our youth in many ways. What a great reputation to have as we continue to serve as leaders in our community.

I have enjoyed the past year being able to get to work with the dedicated women of the Jackson Noon Optimist Club and I look forward to continue being a part of the Jackson Noon Optimist.

God Bless

Clarinda



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

03—DONNA RUSHING

06—CAROL ROHLFS

09—HEIDI DUCKWORTH

19—DEBRA HOFFMANN

BINGO

September 13

Men's Club Bingo

September 27

MEETING SCHEDULE—SEPTEMBER

- 03 Board Meeting—Jackson Chamber @ 6:00 p.m.
- 04 Noon Meeting—Delmonico's *Business Meeting*
- 11 Noon Meeting—Delmonico's *Program: Convention Presentation by Carol and Anita*
**Begin working on Keys for Santa Trains*
- 18 Noon Meeting—Delmonico's *Fellowship: Leaders—Susan Hahs and Cathy Goodman/ Kathy Lowes*
- 23 Installation Banquet
Jackson Civic Center
- 25 **No Meeting**

Installation Banquet

September 23, 2019

Jackson Civic Center

Remember to RSVP by September 11 to Debra Hoffmann or Nancy Collier



September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 <i>Board Meeting</i>	4 <i>Noon Meeting Delmonico's Business</i>	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <i>Noon Meeting Delmonico's Program</i>	12	13 <i>BINGO</i>	14
15	16	17	18 <i>Noon Meeting Delmonico's Fellowship</i>	19	20	21
22	23 <i>Installation Banquet</i>	24	25 <i>No Meeting</i>	26	27 <i>Men's Club BINGO</i>	28
29	30					

August Meeting Notes

August 7

Business (See board briefs on the right.)

Lauri Spain and Debra Hoffmann gave a brief presentation on their trip to the Optimist International Convention.

August 14

Program—Midwest Organics

Jeff Limbaugh presented an interesting program on a new premium organic cat litter. It is called CatSpot Litter and is available for purchase online at catspotlitter.com or also on amazon.com. Jeff distributed samples to members.

Debra Hoffmann made the following presentations:

- ★ LaDonia Beggs received a very special 25 member pen from Optimist International for her recruitment of 25 new members during her time as an Optimist. *Congratulations LaDonia.*
- ★ A check for \$25 was presented to the club for earning 1st place in the A&A points competition at the EMO District Convention.

- ★ A Certificate of Attendance and Participation was presented to Carol Rohlf for the OI Convention. Debra and Lauri received their certificates at the EMO District Convention.

August 21

Fellowship—Esther Bohnert and Janell Hinkebein Members were directed to sit at one of the tables labeled “Smoking Section”. We understood why when we were given a basket containing a box of “candy” cigarettes and pieces of chocolate. We “smoked” our cigarettes and ate our chocolate while we played a trivia game with questions that dated back to the 50’s and 60’s.

Debra Hoffmann presented a Certificate of Attendance to Anita Sievers for the OI Convention.

August 28

Program—Girls State and Boys State

See related pictures of program events on the next two pages of the newsletter.

Band Shell Beautification

Summer is winding down and the concerts have ended but Paula Givens, Deb Hoffmann and myself continue to keep the band shell looking pretty. We do weekly weeding and tending but will probably begin to cut down on that now that the weather is getting cooler. It won’t be long before we will have to put it to bed for the long winter’s nap.

Lauri Spain



LaDonia Beggs receives her 25 Member pen from Debra Hoffmann.

Congratulations for recruiting 25 new members to our Optimist organization



Carol Rohlfs and Anita Sievers received their Certificate of Attendance for the OI Conven-



Jeff Limbaugh, founder of Midwest Organics presents a program to the club.



August Meetings

Fellowship

Lauri & Heidi—
aspiring actresses



Janell & Esther—
"The Bosses"



Lois takes this game very seriously

Winning Table for Trivia game



Girls State/Boys State

On August 28, we had the pleasure of having a few students join us for a meeting. Larissa Bell, Riley Leckie, and Chris Krewson told us about their experiences this summer at Girls State and Boys State. The Jackson Noon Optimist had sponsored these students for these programs.

They explained how they are assigned a city and from that they campaign for government positions within the city or the state. They listened to guest speakers including a news anchor from CBS and Missouri state government officials. They came away with more knowledge of government and politics. They also learned that you can have a different opinion than someone else yet talk it out in a respectful manner. Each stated that they made some great friends that they hope to stay in contact with. The students were very appreciative of the opportunity to attend these programs and thanked the club.

Travis Wilson, Assistant Principal of Jackson High School also came with the students. He explained to the club how valuable these programs are for JHS students. He was particularly excited that Girls State was revived at JHS a few years, thanks in part to our club. Mr. Wilson thanked the club for their continued support in both programs.

Lauri Spain



Quotes to Help You Reach New Heights This September

“When opportunity presents itself, don’t be afraid to go after it.” – *Eddie Kennison, Entrepreneur*

“You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.” – *Christopher Columbus*

“Nothing will happen unless you take the initiative to do it.” – *Akhil Nigam, MassChallenge*

“Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go.” – *T.S. Elliot*

“Believe you can and you’re half way there.” – *Theodore Roosevelt*

Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 in the meeting room at the Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

Communications:

Thank You Notes from

- ★ Mary Hatfield, East Missouri District Governor for allowing her the opportunity to attend the club's Respect for Law dinner.
- ★ Rev. Sam Roethemeyer, President of the Jackson Ministerial Alliance for our gift of \$100.
- ★ Chris Krewson for sending him to the American Legion Missouri Boys State .
- ★ Certificate of Appreciation from American Legion Auxiliary Missouri Girls State for sponsorship of two delegates from our community.

Committee Updates

- *Bingo*—Our Bingo night is August 9 and Men's Club is August 23 and 30.
- *Fair Gate*—Emily and Janet will be handing out signup sheet at upcoming meetings.
- *Youth Appreciation*—Susan reported that the club again joined with the men's club for a successful event at the Jackson Home-comer's celebration. We distributed a total of 1500 ride tickets to 300 kids. They also received a ticket for a cup of ice cream from the DeMolay stand.

Board Action

- Approved renewal payment of \$655 for the club's liability policy
- Approved a \$300 donation to the Jackson DeMolay chapter to assist them in purchasing a new ice cream freezer
- Approved expenditure for the engraving of Kathy Roth's name on the Memorial Bench
- Approved to continue ordering club t-shirts for new members
- Approved reimbursement requests from members attending OI Convention.

Debra Hoffmann, Secretary

East Missouri District Optimist First Quarter Conference

October 25-26
Drury Inn & Suites
Arnold, MO

Please let Secretary, Debra Hoffmann know if you plan to attend by October 3 for early bird registration.

If you want to read the official call letter, it is available on the EMO website:
oi-emo.org

New Member Induction

We are excited that we have recently added 6 new members to our club. Lisa Reitzel was inducted on June 26. On August 7 we inducted Mary Prince, Amy Romack, Dorothy Rowley and Kathy Wallis. On August 28 we inducted Rebecca Noel-Terry. Please welcome these new members.



Kathy Wallis

Sponsored by Jodi Thompson

Mary Prince and Amy Romack

Sponsored by LaDonia Beggs

Dorothy Rowley

Sponsored by Emily Collins

Pictured above: Mary Prince, LaDonia Beggs, Amy Romack, Dorothy Rowley, Emily Collins, Kathy Wallis and Clarinda Unger, President.

*Below left: Patty Turner, Lisa Reitzel, Susan Hahs
Below right: Clarinda Unger, Rebecca Terry, Paula Givens*



Lisa Reitzel

Sponsored by Susan Hahs



Rebecca Noel-Terry

Sponsored by Paula Givens

East Missouri District Convention

The East Missouri District Optimist Convention was held in Columbia, Missouri on August 9-11, 2019. Attending from the Jackson Noon Club were: Emily Collins, Debra Hoffmann, Janet Poston, and Lauri Spain.

Agenda:

Friday evening: Executive Committee meeting followed by Hospitality room. Putt-Putt golf and Sweep Hockey

Saturday

7:45-9:00 a.m.: District Board of Directors Meeting

9:00-9:45 a.m. First General Session

10:00 –11:45 a.m. Training and Breakout Sessions

- Club Secretary/Treasurer Training conducted by OI Representative Tracy Huxley. *I attended this session.*
- Breakout Training Session included Parliamentary Procedures, How to Conduct a Successful Meeting, and S.M.A.R.T.Goal Setting. *Lauri, Janet and Emily attended these*

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:15-3:00 p.m. Training and Breakout Sessions

- Club President and Lieutenant Governor training with Tracy Huxley presenting. *Lauri and Emily attended this informative session.*
- Breakout Training Session included Engaging Younger/Newer Members, How to Start an Essay or Oratorical Contest, and So You Wanna Be a Governor. *Janet and I attended these.*

3:00-4:00 Second General Session

- Liz Chrisman was selected as Governor-Elect
- A&A Awards were presented. **Our club took 1st place in Category 3 with 44,725 points** and received a \$25 award. The men's club came in 3rd with 19,000 points.
- The Jackson Noon Club received **1st place** for Category 3 in both the **Newsletter and the Scrapbook** competition.

6:00-6:30 p.m. Cocktail Reception

6:30-8:00 p.m. Installation Banquet

8:00-10:00 p.m. Roast of Outgoing Governor Mary Hatfield

Sunday, August 12

8:00-8:30 a.m. Memorial Service for Optimist members who passed away in 2018-2019

- ★ Kathy Roth, a charter member of our club who passed away on XXXXX was honored

Debra Hoffmann

JACKSON NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

2018-2019 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Clarinda Unger—243-5409

VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Lauri Spain—204-7006

VICE PRESIDENT

Donna Rushing—243-4995

PAST PRESIDENT

Susan Hahs—204-7574

SECRETARY

Debra Hoffmann—243-7479

TREASURER

Patty Turner—243-8273

DIRECTORS:

Mary Boner—262-2077

Emily Collins—243-7613

Janell Hinkebein—243-3367

Janet Poston—450-0262

Rhonda Sievers—204-0625

Connie Werner—450-9677

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:

Rebecca Butler Mona

EAST MISSOURI DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

Mary Hatfield

Lt. Governor Zone 11:

Emily Collins

Newsletter articles and photos deadline is the 25th of each month. Send reports to Debra Hoffmann: dhoffmannr2@yahoo.com.



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