

# HIGH NOON



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



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

December 2021

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.

### President's Message

Hi Ladies!

As we are approaching the holiday season I want to express my wish that you have a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a great thanksgiving with their families.

Our Christmas Party is coming up on Monday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Emanuel United Church of Christ at 304 E. Adams Street. Members are invited to bring an appetizer or dessert. We will be having an Ugly Sweater Contest, our usual (optional) humorous gift exchange and a canned food drive to benefit the Jackson Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry. A list of suggested items will be on the reverse side of the invitation. Our goal is to collect 100 or more items. Our club voted on November 17 to go ahead have our regular Optimist meeting on December 15, the same week as our Christmas party.

A BIG thanks to everyone who has been working toward our goal of improving our youth our communities and ourselves. Our Bingo program is very challenging but also very rewarding. It funds a majority of our endeavors in a minimal amount of time and the players get a lot of enjoyment out of it. I was saddened to hear of Cathy Ring's eye problems but hopefully several of our members will step up to replace her as caller for Bingo.

Another BIG thanks to all who have helped/supported me (and kept me on track) as president. A lot of things go into leading the club and all your help and advice is greatly appreciated! Thank You.

Please keep our club and all our members in your prayers this holiday season and throughout the year.

Yours in Optimism

*Esther Bohnert*



### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 11 Lynette Moore**
- 23 Anita Sievers**
- 24 Merideth Pobst**

### MEETING SCHEDULE—DECEMBER

November 30—Board Meeting—(This is the December board meeting)

6:30 p.m. *Meeting Room at Jackson Chamber of Commerce*

01 Noon Meeting—Delmonico's  
*Program: Jennifer Gast, Student Santas*

13 Christmas Party—Emanuel United Church of Christ (See invitation on pages 3-4)

15 Noon Meeting—Delmonico's  
*Program—TBD*

# BINGO

## December 10

## No Bingo December 24

*Merry*    
*Christmas*

"Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas." – *Calvin Coolidge*

"The thing about Christmas is that it almost doesn't matter what mood you're in, or what kind of year you've had—it's a fresh start." – *Kelly Clarkson*

"Peace on earth will come to stay, when we live Christmas every day." – *Helen Steiner Rice*

"Christmas is a day of meaning and traditions, a special day spent in the warm circle of family and friends." – *Margaret Thatcher*

"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving." – *Mother Theresa*



# Jackson Noon Optimist Christmas Party

Monday, Dec. 13, 2021, 6:00 pm  
United Church of Christ  
304 East Adams, Jackson, MO



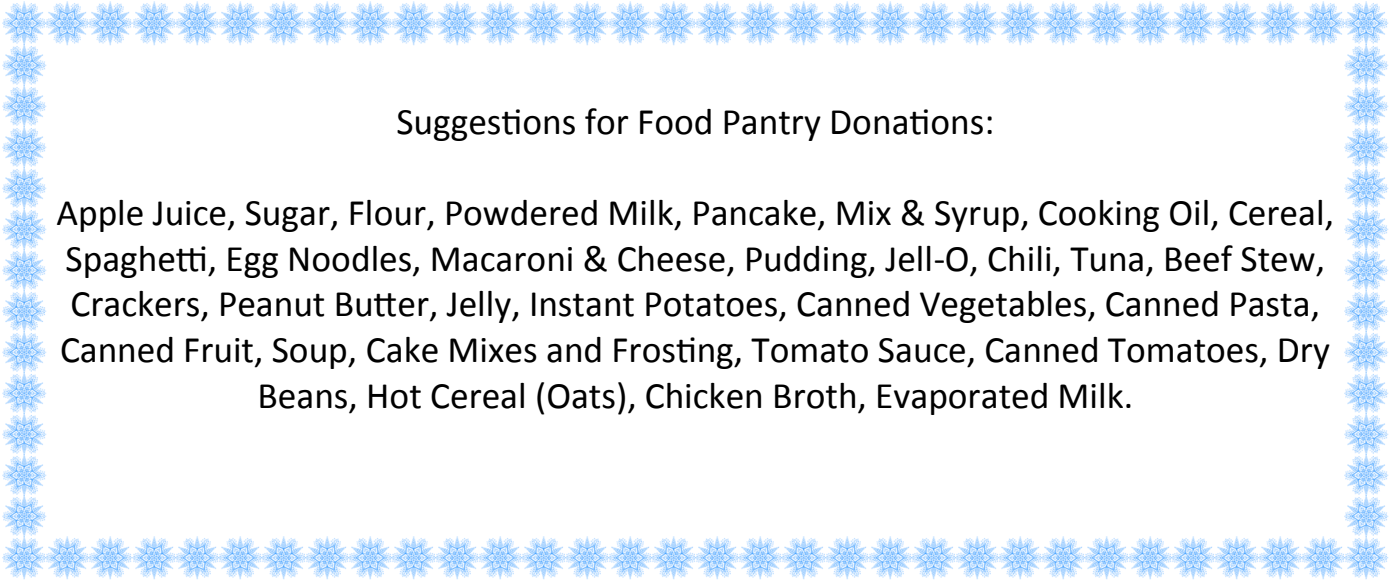
We will be having a Food Drive for the Jackson Ministerial Alliance. Suggestions on back of invitation.

Also an Ugly Sweater Contest!

Please bring your favorite appetizer/dessert and a \$15 wrapped gift for our annual gift exchange (optional). If you bring a friend please bring a gift for them as well. Beverages provided.

RSVP: [ehbohnert1s@yahoo.com](mailto:ehbohnert1s@yahoo.com) or on sign-up sheet at meeeting December 1st.  
573-270-3187





### Suggestions for Food Pantry Donations:

Apple Juice, Sugar, Flour, Powdered Milk, Pancake, Mix & Syrup, Cooking Oil, Cereal, Spaghetti, Egg Noodles, Macaroni & Cheese, Pudding, Jell-O, Chili, Tuna, Beef Stew, Crackers, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Instant Potatoes, Canned Vegetables, Canned Pasta, Canned Fruit, Soup, Cake Mixes and Frosting, Tomato Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Dry Beans, Hot Cereal (Oats), Chicken Broth, Evaporated Milk.



### Christmas Tree Sales

The Jackson Noon Club has joined with the Jackson Men’s Club to sell Christmas Tree’s at the tree lot on the American Ice Cream parking lot. Sales began the day after Thanksgiving and will continue through December 23 or when all the trees have been sold.

Workers are needed on Monday –Friday for one shift per day from 5-7:30 p.m. Workers are needed on Saturdays for two shifts—(a) 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and (b) 1 p.m. –5 p.m. Sundays have one shift from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

If you can volunteer to fill one or more of these shifts, please contact John or Riley:

\*John Strickland at 573.450.1812 or email him at [jstrickland03@charter.net](mailto:jstrickland03@charter.net)

\*Riley Talbut at 573.275.7242 or email him at [rileytalbut@gmail.com](mailto:rileytalbut@gmail.com)

# November Meeting Notes

## November 3

*Business—(See Board Briefs at the right)*

Janna Clifton was inducted as a new club member. Janna's sponsor was Paula Givens.



## November 17



President Esther presents Janell Hinkebein the President-Elect pin. Janell was unable to attend the installation luncheon in September. She will serve as President-Elect this year (2021-2022) and move up to the office of President for 2022-2023.

# Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at the Jackson Civic Center conference room at 6:30 p.m.

## Communication

- Thank you from Catholic Charities for our donation to the Life House Crisis Maternity Home in Cape Girardeau.
- Thank you from Boys State for our support.

## Committee Updates

- *Bingo*—Noon Club Bingo--November 12, Men's Club Bingo--November 26.
- *Essay*—Co-chairs Clarinda Unger and Wanda Young have set February 16 as the tentative date for the Essay Contest.
- *Santa Keys*—Members turn in completed Santa keys at the meeting on Wednesday.
- *Audit*—Connie Werner has completed the audit of the 2020-2021 financial books.
- *Shine Club*—Five club members helped with the Pumpkin Patch activity on Saturday, October 30 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- *Special Olympics*—The club will again this year assist the Shine Club by working at the practices for the Special Olympics. Volunteers are needed 1 day a week for about 7 weeks. More information to follow.
- *Girls Basketball*—Susan Hahs, Committee Chair reported that preparation for this project is underway. Volunteers will be needed to help with registration.
- *Membership*—At the first quarter district meeting the club received a check for \$105 for adding the most new members in the last quarter of the 2020-2021 Optimist year.

## Board Action

- Approved \$100 be added to the budget for the club Christmas party.
- Board will poll the membership regarding regular noon meeting schedule.
- Fifth Wednesday President's Choice will be reactivated for this Optimist year.
- Board meeting for December will be held November 30 at the Jackson Chamber building.

*Debra Hoffmann, Secretary*



# JACKSON NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

## 2021-2022 OFFICERS

### **PRESIDENT**

*Esther Bohnert—573-270-3187*

### **PRESIDENT-ELECT**

*Janell Hinkebein—573-243-3367*

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

*Shelly Kaiser—573-225-4649*

### **PAST PRESIDENT**

*Paula Givens—314-956-8705*

### **SECRETARY**

*Debra Hoffmann—573-243-7479*

### **TREASURER**

*Dorothy Rowley—573-243-5882*

### **DIRECTORS:**

*Judy Beussink—573-243-5873*

*Cathy Boyd—573-243-1858*

*Heidi Duckworth—573-421-5504*

*Barbara Gholson—573-243-8582*

*Cathy Goodman—573-243-7710*

*Rebecca Terry—573-579-1376*

### **OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:**

*Patsy Garner*

### **EAST MISSOURI DISTRICT GOVERNOR:**

*Lauren Dell*

### **Lt. Governor Zone 11:**

*Pat Hecht*

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