



THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF COLUMBIA (Downtown Optimist)

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DIn Person/ Zoom Meeting
Monday, November 10, 2025

Meeting began at 12:00 noon South Shakespeare's Pizza

Members in attendance: President Adam Cumbliss, Sean Reberry, Steve Winter, Mary Dewey, Larry Fick, Rick McKernan, Barb West, Steve Klein, Pat Brown, Jim Murphy, Deb Swanegan, Scott Stager, Jerry Sullivan, Daryl Stockstill, Ed Musterman, Carl Scott, John Carter, Jack Curtis, Jake Jolley, C.O. Scheffer, and Joe Palikkathayil

Special Guests: Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Stephens, Exec Editor Missourian, Community Newspaper Management Chair, MU School of Journalism

Welcome Back: Everyone on this beautiful cool day

Invocation: C.O. Scheffer Pledge of Allegiance: Ed Musterman

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Barb West Birthday on November 1st, Paul Hinshaw and Jim Murphy birthday on November 4th and Steve Winter's birthday on November 16. Adam Crumbliss Thanked all of Vartan's members who are Steve Klein, Jim Murphy, Jerry Sullivan, and John Carter for all they did for our freedom.

Pay the pig (Money goes to the OIF Children Cancer): Carl Scott paid \$1.00 for the Food Bank food drive the Tuesday before Thanksgiving at HyVee and Schnucks, and \$25.00 Donations will feed up to 75 families, Rick McKernan paid \$.75 for Kansas Jayhawk win and Veteran Day and Steve Klein paid \$1.00 for Veteran Day and all he did in the military.

Club Dues are due as soon as you can \$105.40 and Life time members \$59.70

Steve Winter let us know that he will be serving breakfast of biscuit and gravy and lunch will be hamburger and chips. Amish candy will be the same order as last year with 2 cases of black berry and Jalpo Jellies. C.O. Scheffer said the 1st load of Fraser trees will be here Saturday, November 15 and non-Fraser trees will be in on Tuesday, November 19. He will send out the sign-up Genius Sign up in the few weeks for the tree lot. We will have people from the Ruby Club, fencing members and other people coming out to up unload the trees.

Jerry Sullivan said "The new shed." Great job Daryl and Jerry for the great job on the new shed.

Bringing Out The Best In Kids Since 1936

Ed Musterman want to let us know that next week meeting will be at the South Shakespeare's at 12:00 with Jeff Noe, Columbia Youth Rugby- Meeting at Boone Electric Community Bldg

Steve Winter said Everything is ready to be picked up at the club house. He hands out everyone gift card who had some to pass out. The second order is due today to Ed Harre and will be in next Thursday.

Board meeting will be on Thursday, November 20 at 6:00 pm in the north room of the club house. There are 2 to 3 funding requests: They are Job Point by John Salise \$1000, Pinnacles Youth Park Marilyn Toalson \$3000 and Eagle Elite Cheering

High School Scholarship information is out there online and at the high school.

Holiday Parade with Sunrise Optimist Club at 3:00 pm. Please let me know if you want to take part in the parade.

Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Stephens, Exec Editor Missourian, Community Newspaper Management Chair, MU School of Journalism (Power point will come later)

Club winner: Travis Kempf

Optimist Creed was recited and meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm

President: Adam Cumbliss,



November 2025						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Barb West Birthday
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends	3 Guest Speakers Adam Ziervogel, Columbia Visitors Bureau Sports Commission, Amy Schneider, Director of Visit Columbia MO and Tevin Riddle Sports Sales Specialist Columbia Visitors Bureau. At the Club House at 12:00	4 Paul Hinshaw and Jim Murphy Birthday	5	6 Koeze Nut order will be coming in help unloading	7 Help Bag Koeze Nut Orders	8
9	10 Guest Speaker Elizabeth Stephens, Exec Editor Missourian, Community Newspaper Management Chair, MU School of Journalism at South Shakespeare's at 12:00 pm	11 Veterans Day 2 nd Order is due to Ed Harre	12	13	14	15 First Load of Fraser Christmas Tree come in All hands-on Deck 8:00 am Breakfast (Moved to Monday at 9:00)
16 Steve Winter's Birthday	17 Guest Speaker Jeff Noe, Columbia Youth Rugby- Meeting at Boone Electric Community Bldg at 12:00 pm	18	19 Pat Kelly Birthday	20 Koeze Nut order will be coming in help unloading	21 Help Bag Koeze Nut Orders	22
23 Holiday Parade with Sunrise Optimist Club at 3:00 pm	24 Guest Speaker Brenda Porter - Child Advocacy Center -Meeting at Boone Electric Community Building at 12:00	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28 Open Day of the Christmas Tree Lot All Hands on Deck	29
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