



ASHLAND OPTIMIST CLUB

Meeting Saturday Mornings @ 7:30 A.M.
Optimist Drive, Ashland, MO 65010

November 24 2018

"You cannot do all the good the world needs, but the world needs all the good you can do."

Optimist Board

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COMING UP

Board Meeting- Dec. 13, 2018 at 7:15 p.m.

Website: Ashlandoptimist.org

TAKE A MINUTE TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO MADE US STRONG:

Carroll Sapp – 1987
"Buddy" Glascock – 1988
William Burnett – 1992
Remus James – 1994
Ron Marley – 1997
Cecil Vaughn – 2001
Billy Jo Sapp – 2004
Marvin Sappington – 2004
Arcie Sapp – 2005
Kenneth Nichols – 2006
Lahmon Wren – 2007
Joe Smith - 2009
Jimmy Jo Calvin- 2009
Bob Sappington – 2010
Clifford Caldwell-2013
Mel Rupard-2013
Ernest Woods—2013
John Johnson—2013
Michael Dalton--2013
Jim Moore--2016
Carl Long--2016
Don Jones-2017
Clay Austin-2017
Sharon Donley-2017
Ben Nieman- 2017
Nick Kimbler- 2018
Barbara Perry- 2018

Bingo: Nov. 30- Team Five

Breakfast: There will be no breakfast meeting on Dec. 1. Instead the Boy Scouts will be holding their 30th Annual Santa's Little Workshop Craft Show in our building from 9:00-3:00.

We're still accepting payment for dues for 2019. The prices remain at \$80 for an individual or \$120 for a couple and can be paid by check to P.O. Box 201, Ashland MO 65010 or online at <https://form.jotform.com/72136728772160>.

It's that time of year again! We have kettles from the Salvation Army and we are ready to go. Ringing will be at Moser's again this year. You can ring for 5 minutes or 5 hours. Please contact Bern Bonderer at (573)395-4354 if you are interested and he will get you on the schedule since he has to report data every time we ring. Please do not just go over there and start ringing. Please pass around the word to church groups, school clubs, sports teams, or any other individuals that might be willing to help out. Last year was one of the lowest totals that we have ever had, so we are starting earlier in order to have a bounce-back year.

The voting has started for 2018 CoMo Gives! Just go to the website: www.CoMoGives.com and look for the Ashland Optimist Foundation, which is in the Community section. All donations must be made through credit cards and be at least \$10. All donations are 100% tax deductible. The funds that we raise will go to update the kiddie area at the swimming pool. We can win additional funds by having the highest number of donations or the highest amount by Dec. 31st, when the campaign ends. We can even win extra money just by receiving the highest ratio in comparison to what we raised last year, so please consider donating through CoMo Gives to help the Ashland Optimist Foundation this year.

For those who are interested, there will be a Zone Three Meeting on Nov. 29 at Backyard BBQ starting at 6:30 p.m. This is a chance to meet other Optimists from our area and enjoy some good food.

Bingo was very sparse this week, with only 101 players. There was plenty of help on the floor, but the kitchen could have used more help. We still brought in close to \$450, which wasn't bad for the size of crowd that we had.

A wonderful breakfast was served this morning by Deb & Jim Bowden, Michael & Traci Howard.

Our speaker this morning was Tracy Eichorn with Mid Missouri Arts Alliance. She was at our meeting to share about the upcoming 3rd Annual Winter Gift Gallery, which will be held Friday Nov. 30 (10-8), Saturday Dec. 1 (10-4), and Sunday Dec. 2 (12-4) at 115 E. Broadway here in Ashland. This will be an excellent opportunity to pick up local, original artwork for Christmas presents and all artwork and gift items will be priced \$50 or less. There will be refreshments all three days.

Tracy also talked about the Mid Missouri Arts Alliance (www.midmissouriartsalliance.com), which provides classes for adults and children from grade 2 through 12, as well as studio space for local artists. Every Wednesday, a Community Art Night is held from 6:30-9:00 to allow people to work on projects. Mid Missouri Arts Alliance has provided four \$500 scholarships to Southern Boone seniors so far and has a program called Artbank which provides rotating exhibits of local art to businesses for a monthly fee. The Arts Alliance also provides craft or team building parties for groups of adults or kids and workshops on various different art types. In 2019, they have classes and workshops on basic encaustics and oil painting planned, as well as knitting and paper casting.

You don't have to be an artist to support the arts in this area. You can be a Friend for \$40 or a Patron for \$100. Either level provides discounts on many of the classes and toward youth classes. As a Patron, you also receive additional perks.

When Tracy was finished, she drew for the Attendance drawing. Shaun Steelman would have gladly taken the money to his mother, but since she missed her chance when she wasn't in attendance. Candy Payne had her chance also, but Traci Howard was thrilled to hear her number and gladly said, "It pays to cook!"

Letitia DenHartog