



ASHLAND OPTIMIST CLUB

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

January 5, 2019

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

Optimist Board

Janet Popejoy	President
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Bruce Glascock	2019
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Robert Blake	2020
Shawn Steelman	2020
Greg Hawkins	2020

COMING UP

Board Meeting- Jan. 10, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

[Website: Ashlandoptimist.org](http://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: Jan. 11- Team Two

Breakfast: Jan. 12- Rick Gowdy, Bryan Chapman, and Jim Green

Program- Art Gelder talking about model trains. Jan invites any young train enthusiasts to join us for breakfast and the meeting

There will be an Optimist Board meeting Thursday, Jan. 10th at 7:15 p.m.

Sunrise Optimists is holding a Wild Game Supper on Mon. Jan. 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Sunrise Optimist building, 2410 Parker St. This is an opportunity to try out different game meats and help support a local Optimist club. The cost is \$12 in advance (contact Don Logan) or \$15 at the door. The proceeds will support youth programs in Boone County.

The 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship local competition will be held on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at the Fr. Tolton Catholic High School gym, located at 3351 E. Gans Rd., Columbia, MO for boys and girls aged 9-14. Registration will begin at 12:30 PM and the competition will follow immediately after. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact the Columbia Council 1529 Youth Programs Director Mike Fulca at pgk1529mike@columbiaknights.org or (573) 657-0086. Entry forms are also available for download at the Columbia Council 1529 website, www.kofc1529.org.

Our annual Pancake Day will be held on Sat. Feb. 2nd from 6:30-1:00, with Lena Long leading the way. Get this on your calendar and decide how you can help. We will need cooks, servers, and folks to help with clean-up.

We were seriously in need of floor workers to help on Friday night with the 125 players. With help from Barrett until Eric got off work, the kitchen had enough help and was even able to send support to the Bingo window so that the worker from there could help on the floor.

Lee Fritz, our district Lt. Governor was at a breakfast prepared by Cody Hackmann, Mike Fulca, and me, along with our visitor, Heather Martin. I hope that the food was good enough for her to consider joining our club!

Janet shared several Christmas cards that had been received, as well as a thank you note from the Southern Boone Teacher's Association in regard to the hams we provided for the Christmas baskets they gave out.

Our program this morning was provided by Dave Babel, updating us on the C.L. Richardson property south of Moser's. He began by sharing that Ashland has recently been recognized as the fastest growing community in the state of Missouri and that our population is expected to increase by 30% in time for the 2020 census. Our schools have continually earned the state's Distinction in Performance Award annually since 2002. All of this will draw businesses to our area.

The Richardson property has been divided into eleven lots, with the largest lot being over 4.5 acres and all lots are equipped with utility connections. The initial road is graveled in and will be ready for paving once the weather settles. Two of the lots are currently under contract with other parties expressing interest. A right-of-way attachment to the development to the south has been agreed on and a CID is in place. Open lots are available at the reasonable price of \$4.50 per square foot and Dave assured us that he would be back as negotiation progress.

After Dave was finished speaking and answering questions, he drew for the Attendance drawing. Danna Wren, Lester Gilpin, and Beverly Steelman missed more than just a yummy breakfast, so the pot will have a chance to grow again.

Letitia DenHartog