



**November 16, 2019**

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

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**COMING UP**

**Board Meeting- Dec. 12, 2019**  
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**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
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- Kenneth Nichols – 2006
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- Joe Smith - 2009
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- Clifford Caldwell-2013
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- 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
- Jacob Zagorac- 2019

**Bingo: Nov. 22- Team Four**

**Breakfast: Nov. 23- Mike Fulca & Letitia DenHartog  
 Program- Rick McCurran- Columbia's Annual Soap Box Derby**

A big thank you to everyone who came and helped Monday with our annual Veteran's Breakfast, led by Lena Long. The numbers served were down some this year because of the weather, but everyone who came appreciated a hearty breakfast!

I would also like to thank everyone who covered for me so that I could spend time with my family, including Greg Hawkins, Jerome Glascock, Lena Long, Danna Wren, Les and Jerilyn Hahn on Friday night and Bryan Chapman for taking notes Saturday morning. The rest of this will be from his notes.

Bingo on Friday 11/15 lassoed in 124 players. We sold five special games and the kitchen brought in over \$600

Breakfast on Saturday 11/16 was cooked by Bryan Chapman, Rick Gowdy and Lena Long.

There was an Optimist Board Meeting held on Thursday 11/14. The board agreed to conduct the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign this year and will be making a \$100 contribution to Optimist International in the memory of Jacob Zagorac.

Our speaker today was Colin Wright of the Jefferson City Fire Department (JCFD). Colin formerly worked for the Boone County Fire District and currently resides in Ashland. Colin formerly worked as a medic for the Cole County SWAT team. Colin was watching the news when the tornado hit Jefferson City. His pager went off and he told his wife he would be back-when he did not know. While driving to Jefferson City he was monitoring the radio traffic of the JCFD to get a grasp of the situation. JCFD put out a request for mutual aid and Holts Summit and Columbia both sent equipment and personnel. The former Sears store at the mall was designated as a place for those in need of shelter to stay. Within 24 hours of the tornado, rescue crews had searched over one thousand damaged buildings looking for victims. Although no person died directly from the tornado, over 500 people had medical treatment to remove glass from their bodies. Colin went 30 hours without sleeping and then took a short nap on the concrete floor of the fire department.

Colin recommended the following steps to make it through a disaster:

- a. Keep a minimum of three days of food and water in your house. Assume one gallon of water per person per day.
- b. Buy several large tarps and keep them handy. If your roof is damaged, they will prove to be quite useful.
- c. If you have natural gas in your residence, know where the shut off is located.
- d. Sleep with your bedroom door closed. If there is a fire in the home, the door will give you up to an additional 15 minutes of time to escape. Most deaths in home fires are caused by smoke inhalation and not the flames.

Be sure to put the Boy Scout Craft Fair on your calendar for December 12<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a meeting that morning.

Jerilyn Hahn, Jim Bowden and Glen Sapp could have walked away with the attendance jackpot, but it will grow for another week

Bryan Chapman