

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

September 30 2023

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

Optimist Board

Dana Cafourek President VP Lisa Barnum Past Pres. Jan Palmer **Barrett Glascock** Secretary **Heather Martin Treasurer Bruce Glascock Bernie Bartel** Ken Bishop **Shawn Steelman Robert Blake**

Leigh Kottwitz **COMING UP**

Sep 30 Installation of new officers Oct 6 Bingo Oct 12 Board meeting Oct 13-14 East Dist conference Oct 31 Halloween Spooktacular Nov 11 Veterans Day Breakfast

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 Jacob Zagorac- 2019 Joy Woods-2021

Steve Walsh-2021

Kristi Savage Clarke 2022 Johnny Pauley 2023

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Breakfast: Bern Bonderer, John Travlos, Robert Blake

Program-Kelley Upton- Sleep in Heavenly Peace, child bed project

New President, Leigh Kottwitz, would like to learn more about the Ashland Optimist Club members and is asking that you fill out the following survey. It's only ten questions: https://forms.gle/mwbLYSFJCFbDyuhq9 Please fill it out, if you haven't had a chance to yet. Leigh also has a goal for the coming year of every member serving in some way -- large or small! Share how you would like to **serve.** Thank you to our many members who are generous with their time and effort. There will also be paper copies of both

of these surveys at the upcoming meetings, if

you would prefer to handle it that way.

The first Eastern Missouri District Conference of the year will be held in Columbia at Courtyard by Marriott on Fri., Oct. 13th and Sat. Oct. 14th. You do not have to be an officer or on the Board to attend, but you do need to register through Barrett soon if you are interested in joining this kick-off themed time to spend with fellow Optimists.

Our next big event will be Spooktacular on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31, 5-7 p.m. Please help promote this to kids and organizations, businesses, families and individuals who would like to host a "Trunk or Treat" and pass out candy. We also need members to help provide or solicit prizes, serve as judges and welcome the community that night. The form to host a trunk is **up!** Flyers will also be available at Saturday's meeting.

Our next Bingo will be on October 6th. If you normally help on that team and won't be available, please let Barrett or me know. Remem

A free Veterans Breakfast will be held at our building on Nov. 11 from 7:00-9:00 a.m. Contact Missy Bonderer at 573-694-9801 or mb10mcs@yahoo.com for ways to help. She is looking for members to help with setup, cook, and clean up, plus donations of supplies and raffle items.

Ernie Wren provided the invocation this morning before we enjoyed an incredible breakfast, provided by Jennifer Lawson and Carole Iles, with Wes and Mike Donley in attendance.

After we finished eating Ernie, in his final duty as

Missouri Eastern District Governor presided over our Installation of Officers, with Leigh Kottwitz stepping up as President, Dana Cafourek stepping back to Past President, Jan Palmer taking on the duties as Lt. Governor for Zone One. Barrett Glascock will continue as Secretary, Heather Martin will continue as Treasurer, Bruce Glascock is continuing on the Board for another two years, along with Marsha Lessley and Tara Blue, who joined the Board as of this morning. Once the Installation was completed, Ernie drew for

the Attendance drawing. Charles Nicholaus, Sam Gunter, and Dale Wilson all had their chance at riches, but since they weren't in attendance this morning, the pot will have a chance to grow. Ernie's last duty was to figure the Poker Pot, which

had continued since August since we didn't have a meeting the last week of August because of the Rodeo parade. There were several members who had pairs, but Leigh Kottwitz took the pot with three Aces. She was thrilled to exclaim, "It pays to attend!"

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