



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

January 13 2024

"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**

Jan 19 Bingo  
 Jan 20 Breakfast meeting Kyle Michael  
 Jan 27 Breakfast meeting  
 Feb 3 Pancake Day Everybody cooks!  
 Feb 18 Social gathering BYO  
 Feb 23-24 Eastern Conf meeting

**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: Jan. 20- Brenda Austin, Bonita Lenger, and John Dougan**  
**Program-Kyle Michael, Ashland City Adminstrator**

**We will host Bingo on Friday, Jan. 19th. We have new members who have not had a chance to try working at Bingo; this would be an excellent opportunity. Contact me if you are interested.**

Feb. 3rd will be our annual Pancake Day, from 6:30-11:30. Bev Steelman will be coordinating and will need plenty of help. Leigh is looking into the option of ticket pre-sales for guests. Tickets for adults are \$10, kids under 12 for \$5, and under 4 are free.

Our next Social will be Sun. Feb. 18th with a carry-in meal at 5:00 p.m. in our building. We look forward to lots of members (and possible new members) to be in attendance.

The 2nd Quarter Conference of the Optimist Eastern Missouri District will be held virtually on Feb. 23-24. As a service project in conjunction with this conference, clubs will hold food drives with a goal of at least 100 items during the month of January. We received some last Saturday but will be collecting throughout the month. I plan to bring spaghetti sauce and noodles, which provide a full meal. The food we collect will go to Helping Hands and possibly our local Buddy Pack program.

Several people at last week's meeting displayed an interest in ordering a new Optimist t-shirt. I believe Leigh and Barrett are looking into options and prices. Let them know if you are interested, but missed the last meeting.

Even though there was no breakfast meeting this Saturday because of the freezing weather, we still had youth basketball. Thank you to Leigh, Barrett, Tara and Will Blue for covering those. Contact Leigh if you are interested in helping with future games. I hope everyone is staying safe while we wait for this cold snap to pass.

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