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

October 24, 2026
"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

Oct 31 John Martin of the 47th District
Oct 31 No Excuse Absentee voting
Oct 31 Halloween Spooktacular
Nov 6 Bingo
Nov 7 Breakfast meeting Micheal Dwyer
Nov 11 Annual Veterans Breakfast
Nov 12 Board meeting
Nov 20 Youth Basketball Grades 1-4 registration deadline

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
Florence Hahn 2011
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
Wes Donley 2025
Louise Martin 2025
Rev. Elmer Schiefer 2026
Bern Bonderer 2026

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Breakfast (Oct. 31): Bernie Bartel, Rich Ward, & Bev Steelman
Speaker: State Representative, Rocheport resident John Martin

We will host another Ashland Optimist Halloween Spooktacular that evening from 4-6, but we still need help coming at 2:30, especially to help with parking. Please contact Ernie Wren at 573-239-1105 for more information. This is always a fun community event!

We didn't have a breakfast meeting this morning, but it was still a busy day for our Optimist club, with several members attending the joint EMO/WEMO Convention in Jefferson City and others celebrating with Jim Green and his family for his 90th birthday. I hope that everyone who was interested had the chance to attend one of these events.

There will be no excuse absentee voting at the Southern Boone Middle School on Saturday, Oct. 31st from 10:00-3:00. Please remember to bring your state or federal photo ID. Regular voting will be on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd. You can get more information about your polling location at https://www.boonemo.gov/clerk/

We will host Bingo on Nov. 6th and we will need all hands on deck. If you normally help on the first Friday, but won't be available, please let Barrett or me know.

Our next event will be the Veteran's Breakfast on Wednesday, Nov. 11th from 7:00-9:00 a.m. spearheaded by Leigh Kottwitz. If you haven't contacted her and are still interested in helping, contact her at leighkottwitz@gmail.com.

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