



ASHLAND OPTIMIST CLUB

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

May 13 2017

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

Optimist Board

Greg Hawkins	President
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COMING UP

Board Meeting- June 8, 2017 at 7:15 p.m.

Website:

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

Bingo: May 19- Team Three

Breakfast: May 20- Brenda Austin, Bonita Lenger, and Carrie Fischer

Program- David Babel, Reese Nichols realty and C.L. Richardson property

This year's Safety on Wheels program will be held at the Optimist building after the breakfast meeting this Saturday, May 20th. Janet Popejoy is coordinating it again this year. There is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen door. She would also appreciate any donations of materials for the program or cash to purchase helmets and bicycles, all of which is tax-deductible.

The next day, Sunday, May 21st, please join us at Wes and Sharon Donley's 60th Anniversary celebration, which will be held at the Ashland Senior Center from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The invitation specifies that they prefer no gifts.

A Board meeting was held on Thursday, May 11th. The Board agreed to cover housing costs for the Bossert family while Ivan Bossert is competing in the Regional Oratorical competition in St Louis June 15-16th. The Board also agreed to pay \$70 for an ad in the Rainbow Girls Grand Assembly booklet again this year and to cover up to \$250.00 for expenses at our Fishing Derby that we will hold this summer. The city had requested an easement on our property for sewer and water line updates and the Board agreed to that. The Board also voted Jan Palmer and Megan Morris in as new members. The Foundation voted to be involved in the CoMo Gives campaign this year. We will be sending out opportunities for members to be involved with this program, which starts December 1st.

Speaking of the Board, Rick Gowdy has taken on the responsibility of leading the Nominating Committee for our club. If anyone is interested in joining the Board, please let Rick know at rgowdy@centurytel.net

We had 148 players at Bingo on Friday for our and lots of help on the floor. In fact, there were so many floor workers this week that some of them came back to the kitchen and helped when we were short-handed there.

Greg read a thank you note this morning from Parker Tergin, who was one of our Buddy Glascock Scholarship winners this year. He is the son of Jody Frank.

Barrett also filled us in on Wes Donley's fall last night. He has a good lump on his head, but was back home by Saturday afternoon.

Our speaker this morning was Angie Sullivan, Chief Development officer for the Missouri Girl Scouts Heartland Council, which includes 68 counties from Columbia down to the border with Arkansas.

Juliette Gordon Low started the Girl Scouts in 1912 after meeting Lord Baden-Powell in England who had started the Boy Scouts. There are currently 2.3 million girls and leaders involved in the scouting program, including the 143 girls in Southern Boone. Girls can participate on several levels from being in a troop to just attending Scout camp or events. One of the events that Ashland Optimists provided space for was a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) program that was held on our property in 2014.

Most the funding for Girl Scouts in our area comes through the United Way and from grants, but a proportion of the money also comes from the troops themselves, through dues and cookie sales.

Girls participate in a Leadership Experience, which calls for them to Discover their world, Connect to other scouts, and Act on what they learn. Ninety-eight percent of girls that have been involved in Scouting believe that it has made a significant difference in their lives. The highest award possible is the Gold Award, which is equivalent to earning Eagle Scout in Boy Scouts.

When Angie was finished speaking, she drew for the Attendance drawing. To add insult to injury, Wes Donley's number was the first one drawn. She also drew Bruce Glascock and Jim Green's numbers, but their help last night didn't earn them any concessions this morning, so the pot will have a chance to grow.

Letitia DenHartog