

HIGH NOON



Jackson Noon Optimist
P.O. Box 615
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Meetings held on Wednesday - 12:00 PM - Delmonico's

October 2018

Volume 1



Promise Yourself...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

Optimist International

President's Message

Thank you for the honor of serving as your president this coming year. The Jackson Noon Optimist membership is recognized as a highly respected organization which successfully supports our youth in many ways. What a great reputation to have as we continue to serve as leaders in our community!

A special Thank You goes to Susan Hahs for her outstanding leadership as last year's president and keeping us focused on our mission statement, as well as a grateful acknowledgement to the Officers and Board Members who served in 2017-2018. Also, a well-deserved appreciation to all committee members who spent countless hours to ensure community projects were provided as the main emphasis to motivate our youth. All of you are great leaders who are dedicated to serve the youth in our community.

I would like to THANK the Installation Committee for a wonderful banquet to install our New Officers and Board Members. Dr. Lacy gave us an inspirational keynote speech and fantastic entertainment from Sound Attraction, Southern Harmony.

Susan Hahs and I will continue to tag team this year as president/past president along with the New Officers and Board Members. We look forward to serving you as we anticipate another effective year of benefiting our community.

Thank you to the Fair Gate Committee, and all who volunteered their time to work the Fair Gates.

Our youth holds the key to the future. As Optimists, it is a privilege and our responsibility to offer programs which will give the basic skills for their future. As we prepare for the upcoming year, let us continue to plan and provide for our youth, community and ourselves.

God Bless

Clarinda



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 10-02 LAURI SPAIN**
- 10-03 JODI STAFFORD**
- 10-04 MARY KIEHNE**
- 10-07 MARY BONER**
- 10-10 CHERYL MABUCE**
- 10-23 CHRISTY MOORE**

BINGO

October 12

Men's Bingo

October 26



MEETING SCHEDULE October

- 02 Board Meeting
6:30 p.m. Jackson Chamber meeting room
- 03 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Business*
- 10 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Program: Sue Wallis, VIP Industries*
- 17 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Fellowship by Barbara Lohr, Christmas Train Keys*
- 24 Noon Meeting-Delmonico's *Program: Jamie Koehler, Wild Edibles*
- 31 *President's Choice*
Lemonade House Grill
350 N. Kingshighway, Cape Girardeau

Zone 11 Meeting

October 22, 6 p.m.

Jackson Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room

Light meal will be served

Questions: Contact Emily Collins, Lt. Governor

East Missouri District First Quarter Conference

November 2-3

Festus, MO

Contact Patty Turner to register.



October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Business</i>	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Program</i>	11	12 <i>BINGO</i>	13
14	15	16	17 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Fellowship</i>	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Noon Meeting Delmonico's <i>Program</i>	25	26 <i>Men's Club BINGO</i>	27
28	29	30	31 President's Choice Lemonade House Grill			

September Meeting Notes

September 5

Business (See board briefs on the right.)

September 12

No Meeting—Fair Gate Fundraiser

September 19

Fellowship

Emily Collins led the group in a game of Truth and Lies. One member at a time told 2 truths and 1 lie about themselves, while other members tried to guess which item was the lie. We learned some things we didn't know about one another. (As always—what happens at Optimist meetings stays at Optimist.)

September 26

Program—Boys State and Girls State representatives (See below)



Board Briefs

The Board of Directors met on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at the law office of Mary Boner. This was a joint meeting of the current board and the new board for 2018-2019.

Committee Updates

Fair Gate—Clarinda and Emily are finalizing the work schedule.

Installation Banquet is Tuesday, Sept. 11.]

Bingo—Income for the current year will be approximately 26,000.

Board Action

- Approved donating bicycles to the Hope Chest.
- Approved check to Pat Abernathy for expenses incurred with the Munny Band Shell project. Lauri Spain will chair this project in 2018-19.
- Approved transferring money from a CD maturing on 9-18-18 to the Money Market account.

Other Items

- Budget meeting set for Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Debra Hoffmann

Sarah Fetterhoff, left and Faith Dynneson, right.

The club sponsored these two young ladies to American Legion Girls State this summer. They talked about their experiences in a program on September 26.

Sean Cheney, thanked the club for sponsoring him to attend the American Legion Boys State. He was unable to attend the program with Sarah and Faith.

Fair Gate Fundraiser

A big thank you to all who participated in working Gate #3 at SEMO District Fair!!! Many club members, members from the men's club, husbands and friends worked together to cover our allotted slots. Your dedication to the Noon Optimist Club is greatly appreciated.

The Fair Gate Project is our second highest money fund raiser of the year. This year over 61 individuals worked the time slots, clocking in over 261 man hours and earning our club \$2,048.85. This money will be put to good use in serving the youth in our community.

Again, thank you for all your hard work.

Emily, Janet and Clarinda

Thanks to all workers



Above: Cathy Boyd, Donna Rushing, Clarinda Unger, Cathy Lowes, Susan Hahs and Shelly Kaiser ready to greet fairgoers entering at Gate #3.

At right: Janet Poston and Emily Collins at their posts at Gate #3.



LaDonia Beggs, Emily Collins, Sandy Graham and Mary Kiehne at work on Thursday. Special thanks to Sandy Graham, one of our former members who now lives in Georgia, for her help at several shifts.



Installation Banquet

The 2019-2019 Installation Banquet was held on Tuesday, September 11 at the Jackson Civic Center. Dinner was catered by Tractor's. The theme was "Kids R Key to the Future".



The display on the left illustrates the theme "Kids R Key to the Future". Each key represents a project or task performed by the club. The table decorations also carried out the theme.



Guest Speaker—Dr. Matt Lacy, Associate Superintendent of Jackson R-2 Schools.



President's Citation—President Susan Hahs presents the 2017-2018 President's Citation to Clarinda Unger



Passing of the Gavel—Outgoing President Susan Hahs passed the gavel to the new club president (her tag team partner) Clarinda Unger



Southern Harmony provided musical entertainment for the banquet. Joining them were 3 girls from the Sound Attractions group. They did a great job performing a variety of songs.

Installation



Don Sievers, Past President of Optimist International installed the new officers and board members for 2018-2019.

President—Clarinda Unger
 President-Elect—Lauri Spain
 Vice-President—Donna Rushing
 Secretary—Debra Hoffmann
 Treasurer—Patty Turner
 Past-President—Susan Hahs

Board Members:

Mary Boner
 Emily Collins
 Janell Hinkebein
 Janet Poston
 Rhonda Sievers
 Connie Werner

2018-2019

Debra Hoffmann presented the perfect attendance awards in the absence of Patty Turner, Secretary/Treasurer. Anita Sievers received a 25-year perfect attendance pin.

Other members receiving perfect attendance included:

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| Pat Abernathy | Barbara Lohr |
| Esther Bohnert | Kathy Lowes |
| Barbara Gohlson | Janet Poston |
| Susan Hahs | Carol Rohlfis |
| Janell Hinkebein | Donna Rushing |
| Debra Hoffmann | Lauri Spain |
| Mary Kirn | Clarinda Unger |



Perfect Attendance Awards



Installation Banquet



More Perfect Attendance Awards



Thanks to our bartender, Ennis Hinkebein



What a Crew—Cathy, Susan, Clarinda and Nancy



Clarinda Unger, Janell Hinkebein and Lauri Spain share their smiles



Mayor Dwain Hahs, Past Optimist International President—Don Sievers, Club President—Susan Hahs



Optimist INTERNATIONAL

East Missouri District

1st Quarter—November 2-3, 2018
Festus, MO

2nd Quarter—February 15-17, 2019
Tri-District Centennial Conference
Kansas City, MO

3rd Quarter—May 3-4, 2019
St. Louis, MO

Optimist International Convention—June 30-July 3
Louisville, Kentucky

4th Quarter Convention—August 9-11, 2019
Columbia, MO

Conferences and Conventions

Essay Contest Topic 2018-2019

When All the World's Problems Are Solved, Is Optimism Still Necessary

Oratorical Contest Topic 2018-2019

Is There a Fine Line Between Optimism and Reality

Mission

By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.

Purposes

To develop optimism as a philosophy of life utilizing the tenets of the Optimist Creed; to promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs; to inspire respect for the law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people; to aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of humankind, community life and the world.

President's Farewell Message

This is my last message as your President of the Jackson Noon Optimist Club. Wow, what a rollercoaster. The year has certainly gone by quickly. There are a few goals I had set for myself that I was not able to fulfill. There is a quote of **Time flies over us, but leaves its shadow behind.** *Nathaniel Hawthorne* So I have left my shadow but will continue as a club member to fulfill at least one of my undone goals of updating Safety City. I will also help Clarinda in any way I can. I hope each of you will also help her to fulfill her goals for the upcoming year.

As I mentioned a year ago Clarinda & I were going to have a tag team of president & vice presidency, a first for the club. I think we did a great job at this; I would not have been able to do this job without her as my back up woman. She postponed leaving for trips and delayed work commitments to cover for me on the weeks I was out of town. Thank you Clarinda for the countless things you did for me during my term. Remember, I have your back, just holler.

There are so many people that make this club work and to be a successful and fun group. I am not going to name individuals; I have thanked many in previous newsletters, but just know that I thank *each of you* from the bottom of my heart. There are many women in this club that when asked they say yes without hesitation, often not knowing what is involved. So please consider saying yes when you are asked, there are countless experienced members that will help you through the process.

I do want to thank the Board members for the dedicated and countless hours spent at Mary's office discussing projects, budgets, business items, club challenges, financing, etc. in detail and directing me in things I was supposed to do. They are what help this club to run smoothly and successfully. There were a few nights we watched the weather radar and cut the meeting short due to storms approaching. We were determined to get every minute in before we all headed for our safe place!

So long as President and I look forward to the upcoming year.
Bless each of you the members of the Jackson Noon Optimist Club.

Susan Hahs (past President!)

Optimist International Foundation Dime A Day Donation



Anita Sievers, Club Optimist International Foundation Representative Request:

As the new Optimist 2018-2019 year begins, it is again time to consider a donation to the Optimist International Foundation.

With just one dime a day, you can become part of the movement of "Helping Optimists Help Kids" and become part of a large group of Foundation supporters who realize what a difference they make every day in the lives of children. Would you consider making a gift of just a dime a day to assist the charitable work of Optimist International?

The Dime-A-Day level is reached by a contribution of \$36.50 to the Foundation within one Optimist Year, and is recognized by the presentation of a pin.

The donation form is attached and will also be available at regular meetings. Completed forms and checks can be submitted to Anita Sievers.

JACKSON NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

2018-2019 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Clarinda Unger—243-5409

VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Lauri Spain—204-7006

VICE PRESIDENT

Donna Rushing—243-4995

PAST PRESIDENT

Susan Hahs—204-7574

SECRETARY

Debra Hoffmann—243-7479

TREASURER

Patty Turner—243-8273

DIRECTORS:

Mary Boner—262-2077

Emily Collins—243-7613

Janell Hinkebein—243-3367

Janet Poston—450-0262

Rhonda Sievers—204-0625

Connie Werner—450-9677

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:

Rebecca Butler Mona

EAST MISSOURI DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

Mary Hatfield

Lt. Governor Zone 11:

Emily Collins

Newsletter articles and photos deadline is the 25th of each month. Send reports to Debra Hoffmann: dhoffmannr2@yahoo.com.



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