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Mark your calenders

June 11 - Board Meeting, Club Meeting. Guest Speaker: Mike Mangoet, new Tourism Director.

TURN IN YOUR FLAG MONEY. If you still have money and receipts from the Flags For Patriots fund raiser, please turn it in at Monday's meeting. Let Ken Distler know how many flags you need.

June 25 - Noon Club Meeting. Guest Speaker: Karen Scout talking about the Backpack Program.

Birthdays
none

Anniversaries
9th - Kenny Rapiet
26th - Stephanie Clayton

President's Corner Welcome to Summer!

We have finally arrived to Summer! We went basically from Winter to Summer, as Kentucky weather sometimes does. We have lots of things on our plate to take care of. First, we have excellent speakers scheduled this month, so be sure to attend both meetings. At the evening meeting we will have Mike Mangeot, the new Tourism director. Then, at the noon meeting, we will hear Karen Scout tell us about the Backpack Program that helps kids in our area.

Our Flags for Patriots is an on-going project. Even if you have not gotten a subscription for the whole year, you can still get friends and neighbors to sign up NOW at the rate of \$40.00. It is really inspiring and patriotic to

see a whole row of our flags flying in front of several houses. I would love to see them in all neighborhoods throughout Bardstown. The flags go up again for Flag Day, June 14th.

Our Board of Directors voted last month NOT to have our concession stand at the Nelson County Fair this year. Instead, we are asking for members to donate \$50.00 to not work the fair. With those donations and our Flags for Patriots monies, we hope we can still meet our Budgetary needs.

We had about 50 people take advantage of our Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast. We had enough food and supplies to hold another breakfast. We are having a Father's Day Pancake Breakfast on

Saturday, June 16, from 9 a.m. til 1 p.m. This breakfast will be held at Bardstown Baptist Church. So grab your Dad, or a friend's Dad or a man you'd like to be your Dad and come on out for Pancakes and Sausage!

Now for the serious stuff! Our July meetings are going to be NEW OPTIMIST WANTED (WELCOMED) meetings. Our club's lifeline is its members. As we all age, we need new blood in our organization- so invite your neighbors, church members, little league parents, etc. to one of our meetings next month! I need people to step up and handle the organization of one (or both) of these meetings.

Please help our club grow, so we can help more kids in our area!

We still need to sell 'Flags' subscriptions

Our "Flags for Patriots" fund raising project kicked off in April and we've already had our first holiday weekend.

While our club has sold more subscriptions that ever (income this year is just under \$1,000!), we still need to keep selling to offset the loss of income from the County Fair.

Since we have already passed one holiday, please ask the discounted price of \$40 for any new subscrip-

tions.

If you have not participated in this project previously, it is simple: The buyer gets a 5'x3' American flag placed in their yard or place of business on five major holidays: Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veterans Day. The flag is placed a few days prior to the holiday and removed a couple of days afterward.



OUR CLUB IN ACTION ...



Youth Appreciation Awards



Board Minutes in a Minute

To improve communications with club members, “unofficial” minutes of the previous month’s Board Meeting are published in the newsletter.

May 2018

(The Board Minutes were not available in time for this issue of our club newsletter. They will be sent out in a few days in a separate e-mail.)



FIND SOME
FRIENDS
(OF OPTIMISTS)



The Optimist Creed

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.