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President's Corner

It's Fall! *(even though it doesn't feel like it.)*

This is my last article for the Newsletter as President of the Bardstown Optimist Club. We have only this month to finish up all the projects left unfinished. These include getting more members into the club. We need some new, younger, more active members and some of our members who just can't "do" anymore (because of work schedules, etc.)

might want to consider changing their membership to FOO (Friend Of Optimist.)

Projects that will be coming up are the Arts & Craft Fair next month (sign-up sheets coming at both meetings this month) and Youth Vote in November. Please see Ken Distler to find out how you can help with either of these projects.

At our Evening meet-

ing, we will have Governor Designate to install our new officers in an impressive Candlelight Service, so plan on being there to support your incoming officers.

Thank you for trusting me to lead this club this year. Please know that I appreciate every one of you!

In Optimism,
President Becky

Fund raisers for 100th OI Convention

The 100th Anniversary of Optimist International will be in Louisville July 1-3, 2019. In order to provide transportation, guest speakers, entertainment etc. we have to raise funds.



Day at the Downs

The first Event developed to raise funds for the 100th Convention is a Day at the Downs, set for November 10, 2018 in the new Starting Gate Suites (the Distirct will have the entire suite!)

Tickets are \$65, which includes admission, a race program, a buffet lunch, soft beverages, and a donation to the Convention Fund. Free parking will be provided, also.

Gates will open at 11:20am, with the buffet set for noon to 3pm; there will be a cash bar available.

The first race is set to go off at 1pm and the last race is scheduled at 6pm.

Deadline to purchase tickets is October 26.

A registration form is attached to this newsletter for your convience.

I encourage the Optimist Club of Bardstown to come as a group with your distinctive Gold and Purple shirts and show the rest of the District how to have a good time!

Donations

It would be great if every club could contribute, even if they can just raise funds by putting out a jar to collect change at meetings and events. Every dollar helps!

Those who give will be listed in the convention program by the following categories; Win - those who give \$500 or more, Place - \$250 to \$499, Show - \$100 to \$249, Jockey's Club under \$100.

Other projects are being developed and will be announced in the weeks and months ahead.

Thanks,
Sandy Ruman, Fundraising Chair
2019 International Convention

Mark your calenders

Sept. 10 - Board Meeting, Evening Club Meeting. **Installation** of club officers for 2018-2019. Our incoming District Governor for 2018-19 will be our guest and will be installing the new officers.

Sept. 24 - Noon Club Meeting. Guest Speaker: Ryan Clark, Bardstown City Schools' new Superintendent.

Birthdays

Sept. 8 - Stephanie Clayton

Sept. 16 - Ken Rapier

Sept. 18 - Richard Blair

(if you don't see your name listed, contact Becky to update your records.)

Anniversaries

Sept. 4 - David Prather

OUR CLUB IN ACTION ...



Wes Bradley, new superintendent of Nelson County Schools, was our guest speaker at the Aug. 13 meeting. He told club members that

“It’s about People - the people of Nelson County Schools bring it (pride) to life. It’s about Possibility - I believe in possibility, I believe in Nelson County Schools. It’s about Innovation and Growth - The world we live in continues to dramatically evolve. It’s about Community - Without our community we would not exist! It’s about Energy - Pride creates energy, and energy is power.

“Together, we will energize the world because we are Nelson County Schools.”

Pres. Becky presents Andrea Shepherd of the Flaget Foundation an Optimist Mug as thanks for being our guest speaker at the Aug. 27 meeting. The Foundation is in the process of raising \$1 Million, the majority of which will go to the Cancer Center. The Foundation has already purchased a 3D Mamogram machine.



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.

March 2018

1. Financial Committee report- Ken reported on the Proposed Budget. Highlights are: Reduction of copying and postage; Website hosting fee of \$80.00; deletion of County Fair; reduction of Respect for Law; Deletion of Tri-Star; increase Chess Tournaments to two times a year; Addition of supporting the Backpack Program, with 25% of the Pancake Breakfasts profits going to the program. NOTE: Approved by the club.
2. Arts & Craft Fair, Oct. 13 & 14 report- Ken reported that our location may be back where we were a couple of years ago. Sign-up sheets at the September meetings
3. Political Guest Speakers- Any particular ones you are interested in coming, let Richard know ASAP
4. Hosting the District Meeting & Model Club Luncheon- August 2019, Rough River State Park Lodge- Becky reported that we still need a chairperson and need to decide on format for the luncheon.
5. Mugs for Guest Speakers- Ken presented a new design, one that has 15 oz Purple mug with gold logo. Cost per mug should be about \$4.50 each, if we order 72. Board voted to order the mugs.
6. Committee Chair needed for The Optimist Toy Drive. Stan Mullins from Woodsmen of America wants to make a donation of Toys to a local location that typically doesn't get many toys. It was suggested that Crume Drug Store might be the right place.
7. Arlene daCorte's membership is suspended due to lack of dues payment. Also, Stephanie Clayton has resigned, but Becky is trying to convince her to be a Friend Of Optimist.

Promote Optimism in our community
- Invite a guest to our next meeting

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.



Louisville Host Area Committee

Day at the Downs

November 10, 2018

As a fundraiser for the 2019 Optimist International Convention in Louisville, we will be having a fun filled day at Churchill Downs in the new Starting Gate Suites on November 10, 2018. Please join us! We'll have a great time!

The tickets are \$65. Price includes admission, race program, buffet lunch, soft beverages and a donation.

Free parking in the Black, Green and Orange lots (until full), located off Central Ave and Taylor Blvd
Paid parking also available (more free parking on S 4th street, farther from gate).

Gates Open 11:30am, enter thru the Paddock Gate and head left.

Buffet 12-3pm, cash bar available.

First race 1:00pm, last race approx. 6:00pm.

Dress Code is Smart Casual.

For more track info, go to churchilldowns.com

Deadline for tickets is October 26.

Day at the Downs, November 10, 2018

tickets ____ @ \$65 each = \$ _____ checks payable to 'Optimist Convention Host Account '

Name and phone# _____

Address (postal mail or e-mail)

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