

April 2022



Optimist Club of
St. Charles

OPTIMIST NEWS

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Events on the Horizon

Members are encouraged to review our calendar each month on social media or in our newsletter. This will enable you to keep track, and participate as much as possible, in our “returning to normal” listing of Club activities. A snapshot of upcoming Club events and **volunteer opportunities (in blue)** include:

April: Board of Directors Election (4/19); **Spaghetti Dinner (April 22)**

May: Respect for Law; First Responders; College Scholarships

June: **Golf Tournament (June 6)**

July: **County Fair Beer Garden**

August: **Show-Me Mustang All-Ford Rally at Pundmann Ford (August 6); Festival Beer Garden**

September: Installation Banquet (9/30)

Date TBD: We would like to hold an Optimistic Hour. Please read my President’s View (next column over) and respond if you are interested in a “pot luck” picnic-type event so we can decide on format!

President Bob Beckman



Note: This is a repeat of my President’s View appearing in the March newsletter. The Board wants to know how many members would attend a “Pot Luck” Optimistic Hour before paying the \$75 deposit to reserve a park pavilion.

I have had several members ask about the next Optimistic Hour. As most know, these are partially funded by our weekly 50/50 drawings. Since it has been several months since we held an Optimistic Hour, the fund has grown sufficiently to hold another.

My hope is to make the next one a better opportunity to attract inactive members, spouses and guests of current members, and potential new members to attend. To do this, I am proposing we hold a pot luck luncheon or early dinner at a pavilion in a local park. There would be a variety of activities available such as cornhole, washers, and other yard games, music and other entertainment. Members and guests could sit at picnic tables and socialize. The Club would furnish the main course and beverages (to the extent 50/50 funding allows) and attendees would bring their favorite side dishes and desserts.

Hospitality Teams at my church have held this type of get-together and everyone seems to enjoy them as a way to celebrate.

Please provide feedback on this idea and if you would be interested in attending.

SPEAKERS & RECENT EVENTS

Proposition S



Beth Norviel and Larry Perney from the City of St. Charles provided information on Proposition S, which will be on the ballot April 5th. Prop S allows the city to collect a use tax on purchases of goods from out-of-state vendors and levels the playing field with local businesses required to collect a city sales tax. See website for details:

<https://www.stcharlescitemo.gov/640/Proposition-S>

Essay Contest Recognition



The winners of this year's Essay contest were (from left) Brodie Anderson—3rd place, Abby Hallam—1st place, and Kierra Skillington—2nd place). They were recognized during a noon meeting and in turn rewarded our members by reading their essays on "How Does an Optimistic Mindset Change My Tomorrow?" Also in attendance were their parents, co-Chair Megan Hallam, and Hardin Middle School Principal Dr. Darryl Diggs.

The Salvation Army



Major Nathan Harms, Corps Officer of The Salvation Army in St. Charles, spoke on the many programs run by The Salvation Army for those in need in our community. These programs include meals, food pantry, combating substance addiction, financial assistance, help to disaster survivors, and spiritual support. Listening to Major Harms, several of their programs are aligned with the goals of our Optimist Club. See their website at:

<https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/midland/stcharles/>

Career Opportunities in Healthcare



Club member Earl Kennedy is Managing Partner at Ekcomed LLC in St. Charles, which provides innovative healthcare products and services to medical providers. In addition to giving an overview of the company, Earl encouraged members to have their children and grandchildren consider careers in the healthcare industry and explained the different segments that offer job opportunities. Earl offered to give guidance and advice to anyone interested.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

After a two year absence, we are full-steam ahead for the return of the Spaghetti Dinner on April 22nd. Co-Chairs Sharon North and Dale Westby are busy planning the things that need to be done to hold this important fundraiser event. Tickets and flyers are available for members to solicit their friends and family to attend, yard signs are ready to place in your front yard to advertise the event, our social media managers have posted notices of dinner and date. Sharon has sign-up sheets for Club members to volunteer for time slots when they are available to work in the kitchen, reception and serving areas, and as delivery drivers, clean-up helpers and anything else needed. Please consider doing everything you can to make this year's dinner a profitable and fun-filled success!!

51st ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sponsored by the
St. Charles Optimist Club

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2022

11:00 AM - 6:30 PM

Memorial Hall
 (Lower Level)
BLANCHETTE PARK

BENEFITTING
 THE YOUTH OF
 ST. CHARLES

The Menu

SPAGHETTI
 SALAD
 GARLIC BREAD
 DESSERT
 SODA, COFFEE



Cost: All Plates
\$10.00
 Children 5 and under
FREE

Dine In or Carry Out

Tickets purchased in 2020 will be honored

FOR TICKETS CALL:
 Sharon North 314-807-5022 • Dale Westby 314-550-7723
 Gerry Prinster 314-973-2928



See Our Club's Website or Facebook Page for Full Size Spaghetti Dinner Flyers and Golf Entry Forms:

34th ANNUAL OPTIMIST CLUB OF ST. CHARLES GOLF TOURNAMENT

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
 THE YOUTH OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY

Monday, June 6, 2022

ST. PETERS GOLF CLUB




PAYMENTS

Mail form and check to:
 Optimist Club of St. Charles
 Golf Tournament
 PO BOX 234
 St. Charles, MO 63302
 or turn in to a member

DEADLINES

Player reservations must be received by June 3, 2022

Sponsorship confirmations must be received by May 31, 2022

CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS
 Dean Krogmeier: 636.795.1293
 deankrogmeier@yahoo.com
 Mike Ebert: 314.402.9039
 ebertaine1978@gmail.com
 Dave Borgmeyer: 636.723.0275

LOCATION
 St. Peters Golf Club
 200 Salt Lick Rd.
 St. Peters, MO 63376
 636.397.2227

- FUN CONTESTS -
 - GOOD PRIZES -

Registration begins: 6:30 am

Breakfast: 6:45 am

Shotgun Start: 7:30 am

Pork Steak Lunch after golf

- ✓ 4 person scramble = \$500 per team
- ✓ Individual = \$125 each
- ✓ Includes: green fee, cart, breakfast, lunch and refreshments
- * Entry fee includes a Mulligan

Registration Information:

Contact Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Player Reservations:

Player 1: _____

Player 2: _____

Player 3: _____

Player 4: _____

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SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

LUNCH SPONSOR \$500
 Sponsor will have large banner, and be recognized at the lunch following tournament.

BEVERAGE SPONSOR \$350
 Sponsor will have exclusive right of your company's name displayed on every beverage cart.

BREAKFAST SPONSOR \$400
 Sponsor will have large banner, and be recognized at the breakfast.

LONGEST DRIVE SPONSOR \$250
 Sponsor will receive a sign with the company's name on longest drive hole in the fairway.

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE SPONSOR \$250
 Sponsor will receive a sign with the company's name next to green.

HOLE SPONSOR \$125
 Sponsor will receive a sign with the company's name on a hole.

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

Contact Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

**OPTIMIST CLUB OF ST. CHARLES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
March 15, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Beckman called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Bob Beckman, Dave Borgmeyer, Elena Cook, Mark Cook, Roger Deppe, Paul Hauser, Dean Krogmeier, Ellen Parker, and Gerry Prinster

SECRETARY REPORT:

- Paul Hauser moved to approve the minutes of February 15, 2022 as read. Gerry Prinster seconded. Motion passed.
- Secretary Parker requested that chairpersons please keep track of hours spent, donations made, members involved, and students involved in the events that you are chairing. This information is needed for the pride report at the end of the year.

TREASURER REPORT:

- Main February expenses were for the Sam's Club membership renewal, registration fee for three members to attend the EMO District Conference, and the printing of Spaghetti Dinner flyers and tickets. Income was from St. Charles Junior Baseball Organization reimbursement (no softball teams again this year), lunches, and pig money. Scholarship fund is in good shape. Treasurer Borgmeyer will make the request soon to withdraw the money needed for this year's scholarships.
- As of February 28, 2022, the general checking account had a balance of \$4,342.85. The savings account had a balance of \$5,573.50. The CDs total \$30,522.56. General Accounts total was \$40,438.91. The Scholarship Fund balance was \$185,102.58. The dues account showed a balance of \$1,941.21.
- Roger Deppe moved to file the February financial report with the auditor. Dean Krogmeier seconded. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- The Sleep in Heavenly Peace Director, Bill Brunner, will be our speaker on March 29th, at which time we will present him with any donations contributed by individual Club members. President Beckman will send out an email to all members about donating money or items to that organization if they so choose. The club is not donating money, but individual members have expressed an interest in doing so and will present them to Mr. Brunner at that meeting. As FYI, Bill said his organization services St. Charles County north of Highway 64/40, including St. Charles and St. Peters, plus some Lincoln County locations such as Moscow Mills and Elsberry.
- There are 17 open dates for speakers throughout May and through the summer months. Please try to arrange for a speaker during that time and coordinate a date with Bob.
- He is contemplating a possible happy hour as a picnic sometime in May. Bob will narrow down a couple of dates and Ellen Parker will check into reserving a park site. Reserving a park site will cost about \$70. It was also mentioned that if we make it a family event, that we could not have alcohol if children were present. Bob will be looking into this regulation more thoroughly.
- Club member Bob Avery's funeral will be April 1. Bob Beckman will get the banners and tripods to the church for the visitation and funeral.
- He will check into possible dates for the end of the year banquet at Pio's for the end of September.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Oratorical Contest:** Chairman Bob Beckman reported that the Oratorical Contest was held on March 5th at Hardin Middle School. We had seven students enter the contest, with medals to the top 3 finishers. Our club will send the top 2 finishers to the District Regional contest in early April, and the top 2 finishers in that contest will advance to the District contest on April 30th at the 3rd Qtr EMO District Conference. We will hold our recognition event on April 12th.
- **Golf Tournament:** Chairman Dean Krogmeier went through a list of former sponsors to identify a contact person from the club. If you have gotten a sponsor for a hole, or beverages, or a contest in the past please get in touch with Dean. If any member can convince someone you know to be a hole sponsor (\$125), please contact Dean Krogmeier. He needs to know of any new sponsors by the beginning of May so he can get signs printed up in time for the tournament. Most of our profit for this fundraiser comes from our sponsors.
- **Spaghetti Dinner:** Tickets have been distributed to members. Please sell as many as possible. Chairperson Sharon North handed out a worker's sign-up sheet at today's noon meeting. If you haven't already done so, please sign up to work a shift or two, or three, or four... on April 22 at Blanchette Memorial Hall. There is also a great need for help in transporting supplies to the hall on Thursday night, the 21st.
- **Mustang Club Car Show:** Will be held on August 6th. We will need workers to cook and sell hot dogs and brats as we have done in years past.
- **Fishing Derby:** There will be no fishing derby for Community Living this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **2022-23 Election:** This year's election will be in person voting only per our by-laws. The committee will meet on March 29th to finalize the ballot and determine the election date. Secretary Parker will send out the sample ballot and notice of the election date to the membership.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Roger Deppe suggested that we send a thank you note to Pio's noon time chef, Sandy, to thank her for preparing tasty meals at our noon meetings and to show appreciation for maintaining variety in our meals.
- A sympathy card to Blanche Avery, wife of member Bob Avery, who recently passed away, was passed around at the noon meeting. Sharon North will send flowers for the memorial service.
- The Marketing and Membership Committee will look into possible new fundraisers. Carl Sandstedt proposed a puzzle contest (<https://www.facebook.com/790kfgo/videos/238110735187281/>) and a spelling bee for adults.
- Festival of the Little Hills Beer Booth: Gerry Prinster moved that Mark Cook pursue the possibility of working the FLH Beer Booth through the Latin American Association. David Borgmeyer seconded. Motion passed. More information will follow.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter of Request was received from the Greater St. Louis Area Council of Boy Scouts of America for a donation. A donation (which was a budgeted item) was already made in the amount of \$200.
- A thank you note was received from the Tom Borgmeyer Family (Ellen Parker's father) for the club's donation to the Alzheimer's Association in his memory.

ADJOURNMENT: Mark Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. Gerry Prinster seconded. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Parker, Secretary

MILESTONES AND LOOK-AHEAD



Club Schedule - April

April 5	Noon Meeting
April 12	Noon Meeting
April 19	Noon Meeting and Board of Directors Election (Board Meeting to Follow)
April 26	Noon Meeting
April 30	EMO District 3rd Qtr Conf. Drury Hotel, Chesterfield, MO

Birthdays

April 30 Barbara Hall

Membership Anniversaries



April 2022: Dave Borgmeyer — 51 years
Ernie Dempsey — 51 years
Roger Deppe — 51 years
Richard Green — 51 years
Dale Westby — 51 years
John White — 11 years
Megan Hallam — 3 years

Wedding Anniversaries



April 6 Rick & Kelly Daleen

Speakers Preview

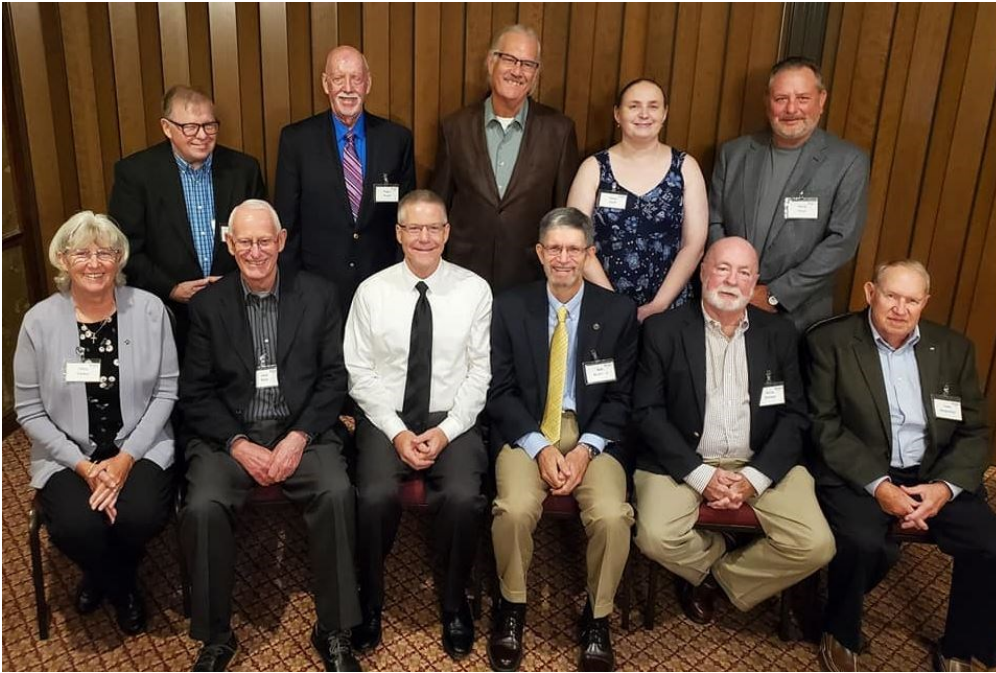
April 5	Donna Tobin — Sts. Joachim and Ann Care Service
April 12	Oratorical Club Contest Winners
April 19	No Speaker due to Board of Directors Election
April 26	Stacy Welker — Fairwinds River's Edge Health Tips



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Note: The Club will follow St. Charles City & County government guidance/guidelines for holding club events and meetings during the pandemic crisis.

2021-2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT	BOB BECKMAN
PRESIDENT-ELECT	GERRY PRINSTER
VICE PRESIDENT	PAUL HAUSER
SECRETARY	ELLEN PARKER
TREASURER	DAVE BORGMEYER

DIRECTORS:

1 YEAR TERMS

MARK COOK

ALLEN FIELD

JACK ROSS

(Jack serves as Zone 7 Lt. Gov.)

2 YEAR TERMS

ELENA COOK

ROGER DEPPE

DEAN KROGMEIER

CLUB INFORMATION:

Mailing Address: Optimist Club of St. Charles
P.O. Box 234
St. Charles, Missouri 63302

Club Website: <https://scoptimists.weebly.com/>

Like us on Facebook! Search "Optimist Club of St. Charles, MO" or the following link:
<https://www.facebook.com/Optimist-Club-of-St-Charles-MO-416164208567872/>

Meetings: We meet weekly on Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m. in Pio's Restaurant,
403 1st Capitol Dr, St. Charles, MO 63301. Visitors are welcome.