

# OPTIMIST NEWS

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## President Steve Harker



*This week, we had the opportunity to recognize our scholarship winners. A very exciting time for our club, and the winners.*

*As I look back to my childhood, I recall wondering how I would make a living when I grew up. We were poor, and I knew there was absolutely no way my mother could afford college for us. She was living paycheck to paycheck as a single mother, raising 4 children.*

*I knew education was the way out of poverty. However, thinking about going to college back then was analogous to me looking at yachts in magazines now. Fun to dream about for a couple of minutes, then I close the magazine, and it's back to reality.*

*I had very little guidance with respect to financial help. My mother didn't go to college. I assumed nobody would give a poor kid money to go to school when I had no means to pay it back. You don't know what you don't know, but I knew education was the way out. I knew I had to work only for the best and to expect only the best.*

*I've often wondered how our world would be today if impoverished youth had a guaranteed path to higher education. Imagine if college, or even technical school, was treated like high school, and all you had to do was work hard, and pass. I wonder how many kids just "close the magazine", assuming college is out of reach, and assuming the cycle of poverty is their destiny.*

*I don't know about you, but after listening to our guest student's achievements and plans for the future, I was just as enthusiastic about their success as I have been about my own. It was exciting to listen to them speak.*

*Our club has made a small contribution to the success of our youth. Additionally, and perhaps more importantly, we have planted the seeds of hope that will keep that "magazine" open for future generations. Strong work team. Strong work.*

*Optimistically yours,  
Steve*

# JULY SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

## Medical Marijuana Concierge



Ruthie Jayne, owner of Moves With Care by Ruthie, discussed everything one needs to know about medical marijuana, from the licensing process to education on marijuana products. Reference the following websites for more information:

[www.mmjconcierge.net](http://www.mmjconcierge.net)

[www.health.mo.gov](http://www.health.mo.gov).

## Essay Contest Recognition



The COVID-19 shutdown delayed our recognition of this year's Essay contest winners. The delay did not dampen the enthusiasm of our 1st Place winner, Urias Carryl, who attended the luncheon with his parents and sister and read his winning essay following lunch. Congratulations to Urias on his achievement!

## Oratorical Contest Recognition



COVID-19 also delayed the recognition of the Oratorical contest winners. Anastasia Cook won our club contest the past two years. She delivered her well-scripted speech following lunch. Also recognized was Elena Cook (and Megan Hallam) for outstanding support of the Essay and Oratorical contests this year.

## Scholarship Winners



Students at St. Charles area high schools were recognized for scholarships awarded by our club at our meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup>. The recipients are Claire Jordon—Lutheran St. Charles, Madeline Merrill—Orchard Farm, Lily McEwen—St. Charles High, Molly Breneman—St. Charles West, Claire Weber—Duchesne. Congratulations to all!!

# UPCOMING PROJECTS AND EVENTS

## Club Event Status

### Scheduled Upcoming Events

9/21/20 - Optimist Golf Tournament: *Players and Sponsors needed!!*  
 10/23/20 - Optimist Spaghetti Dinner

### Postponed Events

First Responders Recognition

### Canceled (or Modified) Events

SCSD School Resource Officer Recognition (Plaques to be delivered)  
 Respect for Law Recognition (Plaques to be delivered)  
 Ford Drive for the Community  
 Ford Fest  
 Fishing Derby  
 St. Charles County Fair Beer Booth  
 Festival of the Little Hills Beer Booth

**32nd ANNUAL OPTIMIST CLUB OF ST. CHARLES**

## **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT  
THE YOUTH OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY

**Monday, September 21, 2020**

**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 Sept. 17, 2020  
 Sponsorship confirmations must be  
 received by Sept. 15, 2020

**CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS**  
 Fred McGinley: 314.393.0706  
 fmcginley@sbcglobal.net  
 Alan Suit: 314.330.4838  
 alansuit@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: 10:45 am**  
**Lunch: 11:00 am**  
**Shotgun Start: 12:00 Noon**  
**Pork Steak Dinner after golf**

- ✓ 4 person scramble = \$400 per team
- ✓ Individual = \$100 each
- ✓ Includes: green fee, cart, lunch, dinner and refreshments

**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

**DINNER SPONSOR \$500**  
 Sponsor will have a large banner, and be recognized at the dinner following tournament.

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

**LUNCH SPONSOR \$400**  
 Sponsor will have a large banner, and be recognized at the luncheon meal.

**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 \$100**  
 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  
July 21, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Steve Harker called the meeting to order at 12:52 pm.

**ATTENDANCE:** Dave Borgmeyer, Roger Deppe, Steve Harker, Mary Krogmeier, Fred McGinley, Ellen Parker, Gerry Prinster, and Dale Westby.

**SECRETARY REPORT:**

- Dale Westby moved to approve the minutes of May 19, 2020. Gerry Prinster seconded. The minutes were approved.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

- Treasurer Dave Borgmeyer reported a little more financial activity but still no money coming in. All five scholarships have been paid out. We should be receiving a bill soon from Pio's for lunches.
- He also reported that the CDs come due in December of this year.
- He also reported that due to a shortage of money in the club's dues account, he had to transfer \$700 from our regular account to the dues account to cover the invoice for last quarter dues to OI.
- As of June 30, 2020, the general checking account had a balance of \$1,710.86. The savings account had a balance of \$6,769.30. The CDs total \$37,065.56. General Accounts total was \$38,860.27. The Scholarship Funds balance was \$184,313.30. The dues account showed a balance of \$121.38.
- Roger Deppe moved to file the financial report with the auditor. Gerry Prinster seconded. Motion passed.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- President Harker reported \$109.00 in 50/50 Fund.
- President Harker is continuing to schedule upcoming speakers. The Respect for Law luncheon recognition has been cancelled.
- The end of the year banquet is scheduled for September 18 at Pio's. President Harker is requesting pictures and suggestions be sent to him. He is preparing a video to show.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Election Committee: Election has been completed. Fred McGinley will serve as President, Bob Beckman will serve as President-Elect, and Gerry Prinster will serve as Vice-President. New Board Members include Mark Cook, Allen Field, and Jack Ross. They will join current board members Mike Ebert, Mary Krogmeier, and Dale Westby who are each serving the second year of their term.
- Respect for Law, SRO, and First Responders Recognition: Chairperson Dale Westby reported that the SROs from Orchard Farm will be recognized at our noon meeting on August 18, 2020. St. Charles School District SROs could not attend a noon meeting, so their plaques will be delivered. Respect for Law award winners are also not able to attend a noon meeting, so their plaques will be delivered as well. First Responders recognition is still in the works.
- Scholarship Committee: Scholarship winners will be recognized at the July 28, 2020 noon meeting.

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

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- **Golf Tournament:** Chairperson Fred McGinley reported that the committee is still looking for teams and sponsors. We currently have eight teams and 6 or 7 sponsors.
- **Spaghetti Dinner:** Discussion centered around focusing on curbside pickup and delivery to schools and businesses.
- **School Donations:** Chairperson Mary Krogmeier reported that she had contacted St. Charles and Orchard Farm School Districts to determine their needs for this year. SCSC requested money for masks that they would need to purchase. She said that she would suggest the same option to Orchard Farm.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Approval and Implementation of Media Release Form:** Roger Deppe moved that the board approve the Media Release Form and that, effective immediately, the implementation of it be the responsibility of the Chairperson of the particular event. Fred McGinley seconded. Motion passed.
- **Ol By-Laws Mandatory Changes:** Dale Westby moved to approve the mandatory changes in the club's By-Laws. Gerry Prinster seconded. Motion passed. President Steve Harker and Secretary Ellen Parker will sign the document and fax it in to Ol.
- **Dues Notices:**
  - Dale Westby moved to have Ellen Parker prepare a statement about dues increases to send out with the 2020-21 dues notices. Fred McGinley seconded. Motion passed.
  - Roger Deppe moved that we send out 1st notices no later than August 1, 2nd notices by August 15, and final notices by August 31 of each year with the deadline for payment being September 15. If dues are not paid by the deadline, their name will be dropped from roster and the Ol \$15 reinstatement fee will be charged if more than 89 days have passed since being dropped from the roster. Mary Krogmeier seconded. Motion passed.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- **Deficit in Dues Account:**
  - An approximate \$700 deficit in our dues account has accumulated over the past years due to Ol increases in membership fees as well as to club members sometimes being late with their dues payment and then dropping out after the club has already paid their first quarter dues to Ol. In order to rectify this problem and keep a balanced dues account in the future, the board will need to increase membership fees.
  - Treasurer David Borgmeyer reported that Ol charges \$80.65 annually for regular members and \$40 annually for Life members. We currently collect \$75 annually per regular member and \$40 per Life member.
  - To help offset this deficit, Dave Borgmeyer moved to increase annual membership dues to \$85 for regular members and \$50 for Life members. Roger Deppe seconded. Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Deadline for the next newsletter will be July 31, 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Dave Borgmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting. Gerry Prinster seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen Parker, Secretary

# EVENTS CALENDAR



## August Meeting Schedule

<b>August 4</b>	Noon Meeting
<b>August 11</b>	Noon Meeting
<b>August 18</b>	Noon Meeting (Board Meeting at 1:00 PM)
<b>August 25</b>	Noon Meeting

## Birthdays

<b>August 24</b>	Fred McGinley
<b>August 25</b>	Dave Borgmeyer



## July Meeting Attendance

<b>July 7</b>	14 Members & 1 Guest
<b>July 14</b>	11 Members & 3 Guests
<b>July 21</b>	11 Members & 2 Guests
<b>July 28</b>	15 Members & 11 Guests

## Anniversaries

<b>August 2</b>	Bob & Jan Beckman
<b>August 10</b>	Rick & Marge Pundmann
<b>August 11</b>	Pat & Kathie McDonnell
<b>August 16</b>	Larry & Lea Kraft
<b>August 29</b>	Dennis & Shelly Reuther



## Speakers Preview

<b>August 4</b>	Dr. Jason Sefrit, SCSD School Model
<b>August 11</b>	Rebecca Phoenix, BBB (via Zoom)
<b>August 18</b>	School Resource Officer Recognition
<b>August 25</b>	TBA
<b>September 1</b>	Alan Medlock, Missouri Historical Society





## **ST. CHARLES CLUB OFFICERS**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>STEVE HARKER (636-947-3179)</b>
<b>PRESIDENT-ELECT</b>	<b>FRED MCGINLEY (314-393-0706)</b>
<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>BOB BECKMAN (636-947-9023)</b>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>ELLEN PARKER (636-441-6857)</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>DAVE BORGMEYER (636-723-0275)</b>
<b>PAST PRESIDENT</b>	<b>JACK ROSS (314-287-0569)</b>

## **CLUB BOARD DIRECTORS**

<b>ROGER DEPPE (636-723-1937)</b>	<b>GERRY PRINSTER (314-973-2928)</b>
<b>MIKE EBERT (314-402-9039)</b>	<b>CARL SANDSTEDT (636-293-9559)</b>
<b>MARY KROGMEIER (636-734-5903)</b>	<b>DALE WESTBY (314-550-7723)</b>

## **CLUB MAILING ADDRESS**

**Optimist Club of St. Charles**  
**P.O. Box 234**  
**St. Charles, Missouri 63302**

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

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