

## **DIRECTORS RECOMMEND THE SUSPENSION OF BYLAW - ARTICLE VIII: SECTION 4**

Fred McGinley has agreed to serve another year as president; however, our bylaws stipulate that a president cannot succeed him or herself. Therefore, the Board of Directors recommends the suspension of Article VIII: Section 4 for one year beginning October 1, 2011. Club members will have an opportunity to vote on the Director's recommendation at the Annual Election on April 26th. If you have questions, please contact our club secretary, Paul Hauser.

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## **THE FIRST COOK-OUT OF THE YEAR HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH**

Mark Cook has made arrangements for our first cook-out to be held at Mid-Town IGA at Hawthorne. Sign-up sheets will be available at the weekly meetings to volunteer. Workers have found this activity to be a great way to get to know your fellow Optimists, raise funds for our projects and serve the community. Sales will continue until 4:00 pm

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## **FRIEND OF OPTIMISTS**

OI's Mission Statement states, "Optimist International's mission is to foster an optimistic way of life, through a network of optimists, dedicated to the full development of their potential in order to provide ever-expanding service to youth, the community and the world."

This year OI is encouraging interested family and friends to become affiliated with an optimist club by joining as a "Friend of Optimists."

Cost \$100. See club secretary for application forms

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## **CLUB TO SEEK IDEAS TO REPLACE 5K RUN/WALK**

The Directors have decided to venture in a new direction concerning the CCC 5K Run/Walk. For three years the 5K Run/Walk Committee has successfully raised funds for three organizations - St. Louis Children's Hospital, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the OI's Cancer Campaign. However, the amount raised and the effort expended raised questions about the wisdom of continuing this project. Support for the Childhood Cancer Campaign is still important but new ideas are needed to get more members and the community involved raising funds for the this important cause. The club thanks Scott Sacco and Shelly Reuther for their leadership with the 5K's during the past three years.

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN JOINT VENTURE WITH LION'S CLUB**

After several weeks of planning it appears that the St. Charles Optimist Club will be working with the St. Charles Lions Club to develop this project. Fred is representing the club with this endeavor. As the project develops there will be opportunities for members to input and participate.

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## **SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Lynne Little and Carl Sandstedt are working hard to plan a successful Spaghetti Dinner this year. Memorial Hall has been reserved, Place Mat ads are being acquired and sign-up sheets for volunteers will be available at the weekly meetings.

What are the opportunities for you as a member of the club?

1. Sell/buy tickets
2. Secure an ad for the Place Mat
3. Work a session(s) during the day
4. Encourage family and friends to support the club
5. Ask Lynne or Carl what you can do to help

Where: Blanchette Park, Memorial Hall

Date: Friday, April 29th

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$6.00

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## **TRAILER TO GET NEW TIRES**

Fred McGinley and Mark Cook have taken on the challenge of getting our trailer back in shape. New tires seems to be the first order of business. It makes sense to start at the ground and work up from there. For several years, Fred has stored our trailer at his business on First Capital Dr. He has taken care of many "upkeep" details for the club. It will be good to have the trailer ready for the cook-outs and the Festival of the Little Hills.

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## **CLUB DONATES \$100 IN RECOGNITION OF HARDIN'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.**

## **23rd ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The 23rd Annual Golf Tournament will be held again at the Bear Creek Club on Monday, June 13th. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon and shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Dave Borgmeyer, Joe Kloeppe and Missy Palitzsch are co-chairing this event. Players, sponsors and your support are needed to make this tournament a success.