

OPTIMIST NEWS

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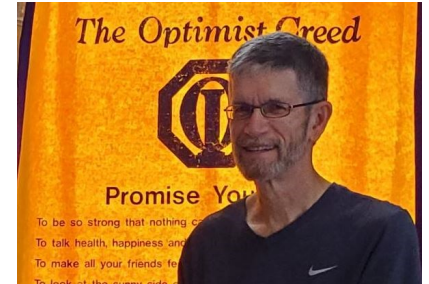
Mustang Car Show and Festival Volunteers

Mark Cook, our chairman for the Mustang Car Show and Festival Beer Garden projects, thanks those who took time to volunteer at these two events. Our participation provided us funding that is much needed to support our charitable programs in the community.

Volunteers at one or both events were: Dave Borgmeyer, Mark & Jodi Cook, Elena & Loren Cook, Dulcie Couillard, Susan Dyer, Mike Ebert, Steve Harker, Paul Hauser, Paul & Ellen Heid, Rich Krill, Ken Mullen, Sharon North, Ellen Parker, Jack Ross, and Dale Westby. My apologies if I left someone out of this recognition.

Special Thanks to Rick Pundmann and Mike King of Pundmann Ford and to Frenchtown Museum for giving us the opportunity to serve at these community events!

President-Elect Bob Beckman



Sometimes, my wife, Jan, calls me the most negative optimist she knows. Actually, I can't argue with her assessment. Perhaps it's due to working 27 years in management positions where it seemed if something could go wrong on a project it did go wrong. Maybe those problems were just fate, but more likely poor planning on my part. Where Jan has the bedrock of her faith to carry her through the rough times, I am much more reactionary, which solves my problems sometimes. This is where the Optimist Creed offers an outlook on life that can be a game-changer for people like me. When I recite the Creed, I see room for improvement in every single article. So my goal is to make the Creed a living part of my mental make-up. How about you? Are there areas where you could improve (or improvise) to make yourself a more optimistic person? As Optimists, we make a promise to live by the Creed in our daily lives, not just when it's easy or convenient.

The Optimist Creed Let's Live it!!

RECENT SPEAKERS:

Odd Couples Housing



Lauren Tucker spoke on the Odd Couples Housing Association. As advertised on TV, Odd Couples Housing offers a solution for older adults who have an extra room in their home, and young adults looking for an affordable place to live. For more information, see their website or Facebook page, or Lauren can be contacted directly at ltucker@oddcoupleshousing.com.

St. Charles Police Department



Chief Ray Juengst, who began his career with the St. Charles Police Department at age 21, was promoted to Police Chief this year and has received positive response in the community, including an article written in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. In our noon meeting, Chief Juengst spoke on his vision for the future of the Police Department and on technology advancements. For more information, see the PD website at:

<https://www.stcharlescitemo.gov/513/Department-Structure>

St. Charles Crime Prevention



Devlin Hutchins, Crime Analyst for the St Charles Police Department, and Lieutenant Thomas Wilkison, Investigative Services Bureau/PIO, spoke on technology used by the Police Department to reduce crime in our area and solve the crimes that do occur. Some of the technological advances the department has made include drones in the sky, license plate readers and a vast network of cameras to keep our city safe.

SC County Roads & Traffic



Amanda Brauer, St. Charles County Roads and Traffic Manager, gave a very informative presentation on the County's road improvement decision process and plans/status for major projects in their "Envision 2030" program. This was followed by a question and answer session on several road projects. For more information see their website at:

<https://www.sccmo.org/1095/Roads-Traffic>

**OPTIMIST CLUB OF ST. CHARLES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
August 17, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Acting President Gerry Prinster called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Dave Borgmeyer, Mark Cook, Mike Ebert, Allen Field, Steve Harker, Mary Krogmeier, Ellen Parker, Gerry Prinster, Jack Ross, and Dale Westby.
Also in attendance was Roger Deppe.

SECRETARY REPORT:

- Mark Cook moved to approve the minutes of July 20, 2021. Mike Ebert seconded. The minutes were approved.
- Secretary Ellen Parker reported that she had sent out eleven thank you notes to members for their personal donations resulting from the virtual fundraiser letter.
- Dues invoices for 2021-22 will be sent out this week along with the Installation/Anniversary Banquet invitation and capacity notice.

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Dave Borgmeyer reported that:

- Main income from July was from paid lunches and special donations.
- The annual surety bond and non-profit registration has been paid.
- All scholarships to this year's senior recipients have been paid.
- As of July 31, 2021, the general checking account had a balance of \$7,497.13. The savings account had a balance of \$5,571.87. The CD's total \$30,484.34. General Accounts total was \$43,553.34. The Scholarship Fund balance was \$182,771.89. The dues account showed a balance of \$307.94.
- Dale Westby moved to file the July financial report with the auditor. Mary Krogmeier seconded. Motion passed.
- Mark Cook moved to file the revised June financial report with the auditor. Steve Harker seconded. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **50 Year Anniversary/Installation Banquet:** Chairman Dale Westby reported that things were moving forward with the plans for the banquet. Steve Harker moved that we approve the invitation and capacity notice prepared by the committee, to be sent out with dues notices. Dale Westby seconded. Motion passed.
- **Festival of the Little Hills Beer Booth:** Mark Cook wanted to remind everyone that if you signed up, show up. Dates of the Festival are August 20, 21, and 22.
- **Mustang Car Show - August 7, 2021:** Chairman Mark Cook reported that expenses totaled \$767.95 for the meat, ice, soda, buns, etc. Proceeds totaled 649.00 plus \$53 in tips. (160 hot dogs and brats, 72 bottles of water, 72 cans of soda, 30 bags of chips). He also reported that Pundmann Ford gave us a check for \$1,295 which covered the expenses plus more to be used as a donation. Secretary Ellen Parker will send a thank you note for the donation.
- **Back to School Donations:** Chairperson Mary Krogmeier reported that all supplies have been bought and bagged. Dean Krogmeier will be delivering 6 boxes of items requested to St. Charles Schools and 1 box of supplies to Orchard Farm.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Fairwinds River's Edge Reschedule:** The general noon meeting to be held at River's Edge has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 12, 2021. Bob Beckman will be asking for a head count of those wanting to attend.
- **Proposal:** Ellen Parker moved that all tip money from any events be added to the Pig Fund. Allen Field seconded. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Anniversary/Installation Banquet:** Mike Ebert moved to have the club pay dinner costs for VIPs and invited guests at \$25 per person (approximately 10 people). Steve Harker seconded. Motion passed.
- **Update Presidential Plaque:** Ellen Parker moved to authorize Roger Deppe to update the presidential plaque so it can be displayed at the banquet. Dave Borgmeyer seconded. Motion passed.
- **LMS Training:** It was discussed that LMS training is not mandatory for the club to stay a member of OI. It will only affect designation as Honored or Distinguished Club.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Thank you note received from Hannah Braune, this years scholarship recipient from Orchard Farm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Deadline for the next newsletter will be August 30, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT: Mary Krogmeier moved to adjourn the meeting. Mark Cook seconded. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Parker, Secretary

MILESTONES AND LOOK-AHEAD



September Schedule

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| September 7 | Noon Meeting |
| September 14 | Noon Meeting |
| September 21 | Noon Meeting (Board Meeting to Follow) |
| September 28 | Noon Meeting |
| October 1 | 50th Anniversary and Board Installation Banquet |

Birthdays



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| September 3 | Bob Beckman |
| September 7 | Andrew Stewart |
| September 22 | Dean Krogmeier |
| September 22 | Dale Westby |

Membership Anniversaries



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| September 2021: | Elena Cook—1 year |
| | Mike Ebert—32 years |
| | Allan Field—3 years |
| | Rich Krill—40 years |
| | Gerry Prinster—29 years |
| | Jason Sefrit—3 years |
| | Andrew Stewart—8 years |

Wedding Anniversaries



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| September 3 | Mark & Jodi Cook |
| September 7 | Dean & Mary Krogmeier |
| September 18 | Jack & Debbie Ross |
| September 18 | Cathy & Timothy Lenihan |
| September 19 | Chris & Jean McCoy |
| September 28 | Barbara & Buddy Hall |

Speakers Preview

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| September 7 | Video |
| September 14 | Paul Boughton, Showers of Blessing |
| September 21 | Open |
| September 28 | Open |



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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.



ST. CHARLES CLUB OFFICERS (2020-2021)

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| PRESIDENT | GERRY PRINSTER (314-973-2928) |
| PRESIDENT-ELECT | BOB BECKMAN (636-947-9023) |
| VICE PRESIDENT | GERRY PRINSTER (314-973-2928) |
| SECRETARY | ELLEN PARKER (636-441-6857) |
| TREASURER | DAVE BORGMEYER (636-723-0275) |
| PAST PRESIDENT | STEVE HARKER (636-947-3179) |

DIRECTORS

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| MARK COOK (314-520-0913) | MIKE EBERT (314-402-9039) |
| ALLEN FIELD (314 398-8742) | MARY KROGMEIER (636-734-5903) |
| JACK ROSS (314-287-0569) (Jack also serves as Zone 7 Lt. Gov.) | DALE WESTBY (314-550-7723) |

CLUB MAILING ADDRESS

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