

NOONER NEWS

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WEEKLY MEETING

Notes by Debe Dockins, Photos by Greg Griffin

RE WEATHER: Yankee Trace has instituted a policy of not being open if Centerville schools are closed for weather. Thus, if weather related closing occurs on a Tuesday, our meeting is canceled.

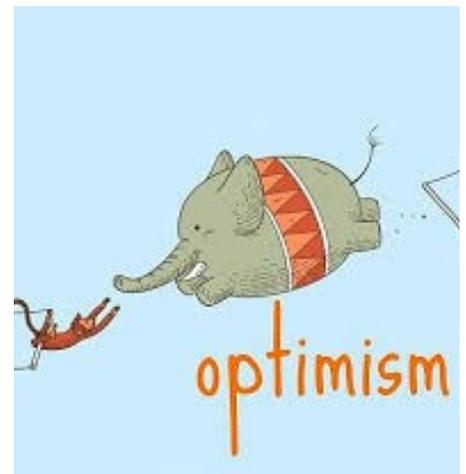
Invocation by Phather Phil

Promise yourself to be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

Heavenly Father, the noise of this world is in a constant battle for our attention and we are so easily distracted. Help us to call upon the God given strength you put in each one of us to have the mind set to firmly adhere to your calling. The real joys of life are not what we do for ourselves but what we do for others. Help us taste a little bit of eternity by living in the memories of others not because of who we are but because of what we did. Amen!

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH:

Guests, Readings & Inductions: Introduction of Guests – this was very confusing with people getting re-introduced from last week, guests doing readings, etc.



Welcome to our newest Optimists: Mike Cornelius, Tony Lombardo, Amy Barker

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Congratulations members who achieved next Personal Growth & Involvement level

1. Bob Lawson was introduced by Greg Fay (he was supposed to introduce him last week, but didn't, so introduced him twice this week and then did a First Reading for him, too.) Bob has enjoyed participating in the Fishing Derby with his granddaughter and has been to other Optimist events, so he thought he'd join. Welcome!
2. Courtney Knott was also introduced by Greg Fay. She brought a guest, too, Mary, who is her co-worker at Security National Bank. Greg also did a first reading for Courtney. Welcome!
3. Jack Anderson was introduced by Mike Wall. Again, Jack also had a first reading and not only is he an Ohio State Grad, but he's also introduced in helping on the Finance Committee, Adult Socials, the Golf Outing, and Tri-Star Basketball. Mike tried to tease everyone with a 'more information on that' statement when we could clearly see the guy had played basketball somewhere! Stay tuned.
4. Mike Columbus was introduced by Al Scott
5. Chuck Decker was introduced by John Horner and John remarked that Chuck is currently one of the drivers for 10 Wilmington Place (but had worked at Lexis Nexis prior to his current gig).
6. Speaking of guests, the guest speaker's wife was at my table and Bob and Carol Burkman spent about five minutes back and forth about who was going to introduce her as their guest. They missed it.

READINGS:

Application submitted by Robert Lawson & Courtney Knott

INDUCTIONS: Inductions – Again, this was crazy!

1. Mike Cornelius is sponsored by Myron Rheume, but Bob Collins came forward to place the pin on Mike. Then Mike did a reading for Bob Gallagher who is sponsored by Bill Williams (who was there – I don't know what Bill was doing.)

Member News

Happy Birthday Wishes to:

- 1/24 – Todd Kelchner
- 1/25 – Martha Jackson
- 1/26 – Dan Passidomo
- 1/28 – Gary Hansen
- 1/29 – Scott Langer

There ensued one of the most excruciatingly bad renditions of Happy Birthday, Doctor Dan (sporting a very special birthday hat presented by Carol Burkman), that I think I have ever been a part of lead by Charlie Tapp.



It was wonderful. Happy birthday, Dan.

Membership Anniversaries
1/25 – Greg Wasmund 9 years

1/27 – Chris McAlpine 7 years

1/30 – Todd Kelchner 24 years

1/31 Mike Bevis 14 Years



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1/19 Curtis Shepard true story in honor of Black History Month

1/26 Jim Miller Vietnam Nam veteran

2/2 Muse Machine

2/9 Fire Fighter EMT

2/16 Mentoring – Gary Smiga

2/23 Meet the Members, Library Donations



Speaker and Vietnam Vet Jim Miller addressed the crowd

2. Tony Lombardo is sponsored by Amy Barker and has already been accepted into membership; however, it took about five months to get Tony and Amy in the same room to officially induct him. There was a fine for Amy later.

Congratulations to our new inductees!

Awards and Recognition

Personal Growth & Involvement awards to distribute today: Vida McDowell, Christine Balsan, Gary Miller, Roy Barclay, and Tom Henderson (Level I), Karl Frydryck (Level 2), and Bill Stone (Level 6). Myron thanked them for participating and announced that it takes a 40% participation rate for a club to be considered for a Distinguished designation. See Joan Cordonnier to see where you rank

Upcoming Service Projects & Announcements

ESSAY CONTEST Kelly George announced that the Essay Contest is moving forward and she is looking for judges. If you are interested, please see her after the meeting.

Super Bowl Party 2/7 Looking for a location for cheap/free to host the Super Bowl party. See Donna Huss.

Euchre Party Feb 13 at Paddy's. Party starts at 6 come and have something to eat followed by cards. Entry fee is only \$5 per person.

Speaker: Jim Miller, Vietnam Veteran

Our former president and veteran himself Bob Burkman introduced our guest today. Jim Miller is a retired Chief Warrant Officer (USA) and combat helicopter pilot from the Vietnam era who spoke eloquently about his combat experiences in Vietnam through PowerPoint slides and stories. He showed the membership the living conditions of the troops in the Me-kong Delta including a swimming pool that had a rotor blade as a diving board (unused) as well as for the people in the country. He said that in their spare time, he and his fellow troops used to help with sanitation improvements in the villages. He also spoke about the political climate of the time and reminded us all of the divisions. If you would like to hear more about Jim's experiences, he is an instructor at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Dayton. His next class will be on guns and will be conducted in 2017.

Sergeant At Arms Kelly Stone and Joan Cordonnier

- Bob Burkman was fined just because.
- Donna Huss was fined because she lost the last Euchre sign-up sheet (Donna says she didn't lose it – someone took it and she knows who you are!).
- Bill Stone because he prevented Kelly from coming to the meeting (or something like that).
- Joan was going to fine Bob Duffy for being late, but Ron Weir came in after Bob did so, instead, she fined Bob for sitting at the Birthday table during a month when he actually had a birthday, which is totally going against his usual practice.
- Greg Fay was fined for missing introducing his guests last week and re-introducing them this week (see Introduction of Guests).
- Mark Casey was fined for starting to receive retirement checks (congratulations, Mark).
- Amy Becker was fined because we had a really hard time inducting your member without you (see Inductions).
- Mike Wall was fined because he introduced his guest and then decided he was going to do a Reading of his guest, too (see Guests).
- Bill Williams was fined because he let a new member (Mike Cornelius) introduce his guest (see Guests).
- Mike Cornelius was fined a new member fee.

Happy Bucks

- Joan Cordonnier gave a Happy Buck in honor of Al Scott's guest Chuck Decker because she is very grateful there are drivers at 10 Wilmington Place where her mother is a resident.
- Blanca Ortiz announced that she was no longer at PNC and is looking for a new position in business development, but modeled our Optimist Creed when she said what a great new year this was going to be because she had a new opportunity to do what she wanted. You

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Give us a call for more information about our service projects

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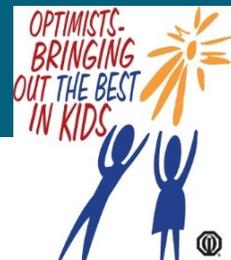
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488. GARY SMIGA
462. BILL STONE
506. KELLY STONE
534. Mike BEVIS
535. TOM NOVAK
2014 Recipients:
Gary Anderson & Will Cale

go, girl!

☐ Jean Pummil's gave a VERY Happy (and relieved) Buck because her son survived a massive heart attack. He will have about three months' recovery, but he will recover.

50/50 Drawing Carol Burkman

Remember, "It's not just what we do, but why we do it"

We do what we do because "we believe that children are our future"

Optimist Creed

PROMISEYOURSELF

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 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 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.

The Great Ohio District



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Right Here, Right Now!*

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