

# The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself...To be so strong that nothing can disturb your piece of mind. To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet. To make all your friends feel that 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 to 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.

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

July 19 – Regular Meeting at The Chateau at 6 p.m.

July 21 – NOW meeting

August 2 – Regular Meeting at The Chateau at 6 p.m.

August 16 -- Regular Meeting at The Chateau at 6 p.m.

September 6 – Labor Day – no meeting

September 20 -- Regular Meeting at The Chateau at 6 p.m.

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## Upcoming Events

The annual Optimist Golf Scramble will take place August 23 at Christmas Lake Golf Course. More information will follow at both meetings and the August newsletter.

The Santa Claus Optimist Club will be holding their NOW meeting on July 21 and needs names of prospective members as soon as possible.

**SURVEY:** The Club is in the process of developing a survey to poll members on what they like and dislike about a variety of things. Also this survey would seek ideas on ways to generate more interest in the club.

**The Optimist Club of Santa Claus  
Meetings at The Chateau,  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 PM**



**MEETINGS****July 19 – Regular Meeting****MENUS****July 19** – Ribs, baked beans, corn, creamy Cole slaw, rolls, & assorted cakes**August 2** – Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes, California medley, peas, tossed salad, rolls, & assorted pies**August 16** – Fried Chicken, Au gratin potatoes, peas and carrots, beans, tossed salad, rolls, & assorted cake**ANNIVERSARIES****Gerry and Jack Hauser, 7/1****Diane and Jim Edwards, 7/15****Joan and Ed Donnelly, 7/19****Jeanne and Al Logsdon, 7/22****Linda and Russ Winkler, 7/31****Niki and Greg Turner, 7/8****Brenda and Ed Hagedorn, 7/17****Donna and Dean Merder, 7/21****Jill and Dan Sherry, 7/25****BIRTHDAYS****Nancy Ringeman, 7/5****Rodger Claise, 7/14****Joe Kamman, 7/26****Ron Etienne, 7/13****Ed Donnelly, 7/22****Joan Keller, 7/28****HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!****Leadership  
Awards Pre-  
sented**

On May 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Nancy Hanks and Lincoln Trail Elementary schools held their 6<sup>th</sup> grade awards and graduation celebrations. The Optimist Club of Santa Claus presented to a student



at each school an award for leadership. The award was given to that student that demonstrated caring for others as well as academic excel-

lence. **Mason Becher** was given the award at Nancy Hanks. **Paige Priest** was given the award at Lincoln Trail. Congratulations to both students and good work!





## Lincoln Trail Ice Cream Sundaes

On Friday May 28<sup>th</sup> our club assisted with serving the last ice cream sundae of the year at Lincoln Trail Elementary. Fifty Eight students were recognized for their efforts in mastering the life skills of Pride,

Problem solving, Friendship and Initiative. Congratulations to all the students. Many thanks to **Jennifer Mayhall**, **Vicki Fowler**, and **Lee Ringeman** for helping to serve the ice cream.



## June Meetings Recap

**Melissa Wilkinson**, Executive Director of Spencer County Visitors Bureau spoke to the Optimist Club about Tourism in Spencer County at the June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Melissa** played a guessing game about statistics to

statistics to get information across about Tourism in our area. Refrigerator magnets of "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" were the prizes. Here are a few of the statistics she used. One in three jobs in Spencer County is directly related to tourism. Seventy percent of visitors want to return for another visit. In 2007, \$130 million dollars were spent by visitors.



**Teri Seavers**, Membership Sales Manager, for Air Evac Flight Services discussed the costs and benefits of joining their helicopter transport service during our June 21 meeting. **Teri** discussed that the cost of a single flight by helicopter could be \$8,000 to \$12,000. Insurance coverage varies so consulting your insurance coverage before joining the service would be prudent.