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## Bulletin of the Optimist Club of Huntsville

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Today we enjoyed pizza at the ORC business meeting, after hearing a prayer of thanks from our Chaplin, and pledging allegiance. It was good to have Jesse Lang as a guest once again. Alberto reported that the Randolph JOOI Club has had to postpone their installation of officers, but that it will take place this Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in the school's lecture hall. Al Renz said the paperwork necessary for the Sparkman JOOI Club to get organized is moving forward. Alberto has been unable to coordinate our pancake breakfast with Mary Flynn. He's still shooting for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in November.

Secretary/Treasurer Al Renz passed out a financial report that showed we're on the verge of going into the red. A meeting with former Sec/Treas Jeff Klimek is needed to clear up some issues. Seven have been dropped from our roster, making our current membership 42. Also, 5 of these are behind in their dues to the extent that they will be called to determine if they're still interested in being members. It was pointed out that the club has already paid District and International dues on these 5, and we've been sending them weekly newsletters at considerable cost to the club at today's 44 cent first class postage plus the cost of printing. However, the club is sympathetic to negotiating a compromise with each delinquent member.

The cost of the newsletter was discussed at length, and it was decided to e-mail the letter to a number of our members who regularly use their computers for this purpose. A first cut at identifying-candidates for e-mail include: Berry, Caneer, Casteel, Clarke, Duarte, Gipson, Hancock, Hanna, Klimek, Kost, Martin, Nevins, Pepper, Pullen, Renz, Roe, J. Sandridge, Shirey and Walker. If your name is included you will start receiving the newsletter by e-mail within the next few weeks unless you make it known you'd prefer regular mail. Thanks for choosing e-mail. It will result in a significant cost savings.

The Peppers will be arranging speakers for November 5 and 12 and also the food for the November 19 business meeting. Tom Casteel is District Representative for the dime-a-day program to support Optimist International scholarships. \$36.50 gets you a lapel pin and a chance to win a 40-inch flat-screen TV.

### CALENDAR

10/22 Thurs. 11:45 am DHI  
10/29 Thurs. 11:45 am DHI

Shotsie Platt / Community Free Clinic  
Jim Berry - Senior Center History

