

# Opti - Topics

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Our thanks go out to Jack Fauble and his picnic committee for the fabulous time of fellowship we all enjoyed today. Furthermore, we extend our thanks to Jack

and Patti for graciously hosting the event at their "Poorfarm." I think we had 40 or so in attendance with food for three times that many. I hope the Faubles have a large freezer.

Zack's venison barbecue was delicious and Blake's chicken was superb. The covered dishes included several varieties of baked beans (I tried them all) that were downright tasty, and the deserts (I didn't try them all) looked like everyone could find something to finish things off. The horses and dogs added to the country atmosphere.

I tried horse shoes with my grandson Graham, but he beat me even though Jack had shortened the distance between stakes from the usual 40 feet to 30 at my request. When we left the picnic several were starting out on a hayride over Jack's property. A good time was had by all.

We all appreciated Jack's signs of direction along the way. I talked with his mother Fran last week and she told me Jack was preparing signs so no one would get lost. These signs were easily readable and must have required several hours to paint and set out.

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Margaret and I recently moved to Regency Retirement Village where Fran has resided for two years and we have enjoyed eating with her from time to time. We have found the people there very friendly and active and have made many new friends. The dining area features bird feeders and a bird bath just outside the floor-to-ceiling windows. Watching the birds feed and bathe and avoid the occasional hawk adds to our dining enjoyment. The food is usually very satisfactory with two entrées to select from or a sandwich if you prefer. Our moving to Regency was a huge step for us and was a direct result of listening to an Optimist Club speaker, M. M. Tweedy, their public relations person.

This week we'll be back at the Downtown Holiday Inn where Melvin Allen from the Harvest Youth Club will be our speaker. Come and join us and bring a guest.



## Optimistic Quote of The Week

"I have never been hurt by anything I didn't say."  
*John Calvin Coolidge*

## CALENDAR

- |      |                        |   |
|------|------------------------|---|
| 9/1  | Thursday 11:45 am      | Downtown Holiday Inn                                |
|      |                        | <b>Melvin Allen - Harvest Youth Club</b>            |
| 9/8  | Thursday 11:45 am      | Downtown Holiday Inn                                |
|      |                        | <b>TBA - Jim Pepper</b>                             |
| 9/13 | Tuesday 4:00 pm        | 1 <sup>st</sup> Commercial Bank                     |
|      |                        | <b>Board Meeting</b>                                |
| 9/15 | Thursday 11:45         | Optimist Recreation Center                          |
|      |                        | <b>Business Meeting - Food - Al Renz</b>            |
| 9/24 | Saturday 7:30 to 11:30 | Cooper House<br>Central Presbyterian                |
|      |                        | <b>Pancake Breakfast for Hawthorne Conservatory</b> |
| 9-29 | Thursday TBA pm        | TBA   |
|      |                        | <b>Installation of Officers</b>                     |