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Club meets

1st, 2nd, & 4th Thursdays

At 11:45 am

Mullins Restaurant

Huntsville, AL

Opti - Topics

Christmas Party Edition



Opening

About forty Optimists and their guests assembled at the Cooper House tonight for our annual Christmas party. The hall and tables were beautifully decorated and there was a large Christmas tree in the corner of the hall.

President Al Adams welcomed everyone and asked Dr. Sidney Sandridge to bring the invocation, after which we enjoyed salad, baked chicken, pork loin, mixed vegetables, roasted potatoes and either pecan pie or cake for dessert. The caterers did an excellent job.

**Our business meeting
is held on the 3rd
Thursday of the
month at the Optimist
Recreation Center on
Oakwood Avenue**

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Story

Al Adams asked Duane Plank forward to read a moving story about a young boy singing to his infant sister in the hospital. The members sang along on "You are My Sunshine"

Singing

Gay Pepper then asked Pat Lang and Alberto to lead us in singing some Christmas carols and songs. The group sang well, ending with Silent Night. You all have lovely voices.

Dirty Santa

Twenty-six of the attendees participated in "Dirty Santa." The popular gifts that were stolen were a nutcracker, several LED flashlights, and some tools.

Thank You!

We had a great party, a big "Thank You!" to Chairperson Gay Pepper, song leaders Pat Lang and Alberto Duarte, and Duane Plank, for their efforts in making the party so enjoyable.

Closing!

Al asked Dr. Sidney Sandridge to lead us in our traditional singing of *Sipping Cider*, and Club Bill Clarke to lead us in reciting the Optimist Creed.

Tom Casteel

Optimistic Quote of the Week

I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year.

~Charles Dickens

CALENDAR

12/11 **NO MEETING**
Replaced by Christmas Party

12/18 Thursday 11:45 am Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting - Food – (Bob Martin)

12/25 **NO MEETING**



Merry Christmas

1/1 **NO MEETING**



Happy New Year

1/6 Tuesday 4:00 pm 1st Commercial Bank
Board Meeting

1/8 Thursday 11:45 am Mullins Restaurant
TBD – Richie Myers

1/15 Thursday 11:45 am Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting - Food – (Richie Myers)

1/22 Thursday 11:45 am Mullins Restaurant
Connie Carnes – HEALS, Inc.

THE OPTIMIST CREED

Promise Yourself -

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 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.

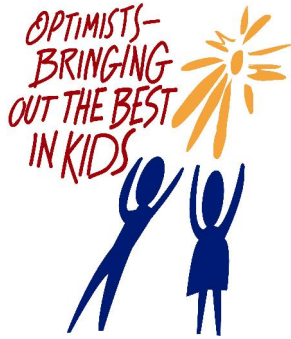
To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

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.

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