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July Evening Meeting



**HUNTSVILLE
COUNTRY CLUB**

Our meeting was in the main room at the Country Club last night, and we ate at a nicely laid large table, with an additional round table added. A total of twenty-one members attended our meeting, along with our speaker and his family. Although many did not touch their plates. They served pork loin, squash, zucchini and onions. For the vegetarians they served wild rice with mushrooms, zucchini, onions and asparagus. As well as homemade rolls. With much thanks to the new chef. Beverages, ice-tea, coffee and water with lemon. For dessert they served chocolate turtle cake with scrumptious berry on top. As well as fresh fruit, only upon request. I must say the food provided was not that great! I encountered multiple complaints from other members around the table as well.

Opening

President Eureka Thompson presided at last night's meeting. Eureka opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to our July's evening meeting and asking Clyde Nevins to bring the opening prayer, as well as lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Eureka introduced Marie Bucan founder of the P.E.A.R.L.S organization, as a potential Optimist member. Eureka also asked Vastell Williams in the absence of Tom Rumph to introduce our guest speaker. Our guest speaker was Darren Moore, Tom's mentee, as well as videographer and founder of Darren The Artist, LLC.

Club meets
2nd Thursday
At 6:00 p.m. at
Huntsville Country
Club

4th Thursday
At 11:45 a.m.
Optimist Recreational
Center

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Announcements

July's evening meeting was quite different from the previous meetings. We had a panel of new and potential members present who they are and what they do. Ms. Thompson introduced all our panelists, most whom are members of the Optimist Club. The theme was titled "WHO AM I?" Here is a list of the names who were on the panel:

Keaires Roberson
Jeannette Roberson
Dr. Belinda Edwards
Iesha Moffett
Vicki Moore
Dr. Joseph Lee.

Clyde Nevins stated that if the Optimist National video would have been judged based off quality we would have won.

The Huntsville Country Club has new chef, the old one will no longer be with us.

Eureka presented two magazines from the Melanin Pride. Which included an insert with Michael Abernathy, founder of Growing Minds. These magazines are the club's copies, if would like to view Eureka has them on hand. For all who may not remember Michael Abernathy, he was our guest speaker for June evening meeting. The article spoke about the Optimist Club being a sponsor for his Fun Day on July 29th. It will be submitted to Optimist International.

Program



The Optimist Club invited Darren Moore in as the guest speaker. As well as to honor him for the Optimist Video. Mr. Moore is CEO and Founder of *Darren The Artist, LLC*, where he offers videography. He does videos of various kind. And his work is very crafty and unique.

Mr. Moore is a part of the Lee High School magnet program. He spoke very highly of Tom Rumph. He stated that Tom is his mentor and how Tom pushed him to go to the next level. Tom and Darren have a close relationship. Tom taught Darren about business and the correct way to do things. He stated without Tom, he doesn't know where his business would be. Tom provides Darren with everything a good mentor should.

Darren spoke about how it is very vital to have a mentor who cares about your vision as much as you. Tom pushed him to pursue his dreams in more ways than one. Mr. Moore will be responsible for all the upcoming videos for the Optimist Club. He also will be working with a professional company in Atlanta. Darren's relationship with Tom has opened many doors on his behalf.

Who Am I? List of Panelist and what they do.

Keaires Roberson - Author of 5.a.m with God, Transformational Speaker, Spiritual Coach, Actor. More information can be obtained about Keaires as well as to order a book. www.keairesroberson.com or Amazon (5am with God) FB: Keaires Roberson

Dr. Belinda Edwards - Married 22 years, mother of four kids. She is a neurologist and owns a private practice with her husband. Her office is located at 2700 Triana Blvd SW Ste 150, Huntsville Al. They are accepting new patients.

Iesha Moffett - Mrs. Moffett and her husband are the proud owners of Nikkie's Hand & Detail Carwash. Where they offer multiple services. Location: 619 Oakwood Ave NW Huntsville, AL 35811. As well as Quality care cleaning services. She is also the community outreach coordinator at the Edmonton Heights Life Center. Mrs. Moffett is the founder of M.O.M.S mentoring organization.

Dr. Joseph Lee - The Director of the CDC Edmonton Heights life center. He saw a change needed to be made and decided to step in and make a difference. The center also has a mentoring and tutoring program, as well as a Healthy Lifestyle summer camp. In addition to that the center has an Urban Planning Department where they renovate houses in the neighborhood.

Jeannette Roberson - Is a Paparazzi consultant where she sells \$5.00 jewelry of all kinds. She has an organization 15 plus, where she helps families of people who are incarcerated, by providing funds to them from the 15 plus T-shirts she sells, as well as donations received. She is a facilitator at Limestone Facility, where she assists in the rehabilitation of the intimates. Ms. Roberson has a cleaning service where she cleans houses of all kinds. She has gift bags to go. If you need a bag for a special occasion, she is the go to person. Last but not least she is caregiver and comes highly recommended.

Vicki Moore - Founder of the P.E.A.R.L.S organization, which is consider a club through the Huntsville city schools system with Jemison High School. Her program offers mentoring services and teaches the girls realistic life skills.

Contact information on the above panelists may be found in the Club Roster distributed to club members.

Closing



Eureka presented Mr. Moore with an Optimist Creed tile and asked him to draw a name for our attendance prize. Two names were called, that were not present at the meeting. Jim Roe's name was drawn next, and Jim took half the pot (the other half goes to fight childhood cancer, as you know).

Vastell led the Club in reciting the Optimist Creed to end the meeting.

Keaires Roberson

Optimistic Quote of the Week

“If you never move on your vision that’s all it will ever be.”

~ Keaires Roberson

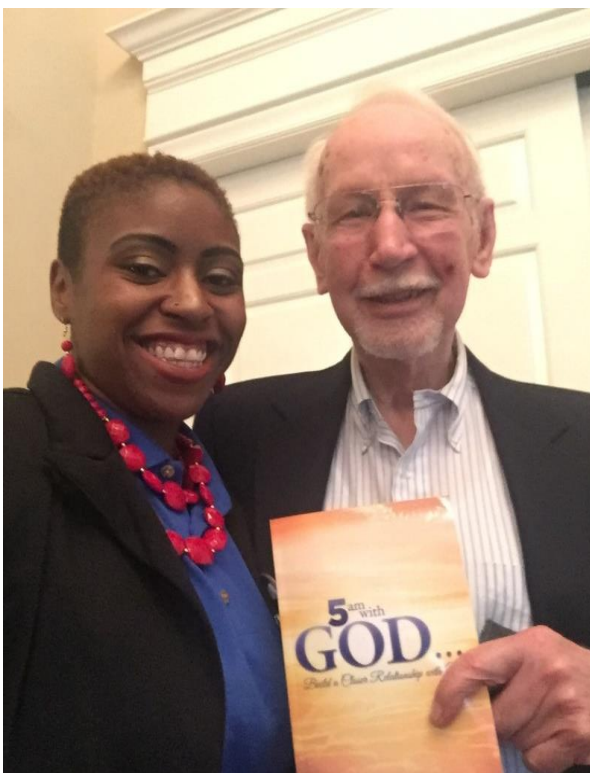
CALENDAR

- July 26 Thursday **11:45 am** Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting - Food – (Vastell Williams)
- August 7 Tuesday **4:00 pm** 1st Commercial Bank – Whitesburg Dr.
Board Meeting
- August 9 Thursday **6:00 pm** Huntsville Country Club
Evening Meeting
- August 23 Thursday **11:45 am** Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting - Food – (Annie Sandusky)

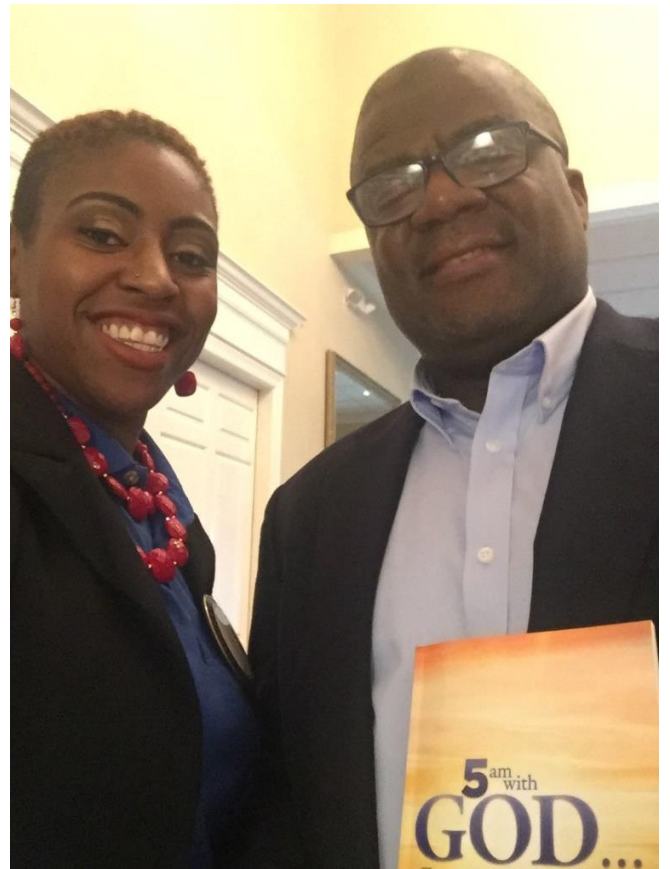
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Our Speaker, Darren Moore









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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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