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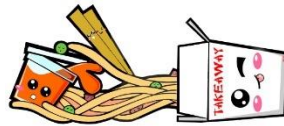
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Opti - Topics

**Official Newsletter of the Optimist Club of Huntsville
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October Business Meeting



15 Optimists assembled at the Optimist Recreation Center for the Club's October Business Meeting. With a total of 3 guests, brought in by Eureka Thompson.

Alberto oversaw the food consisting of beef pepper steak and onions, fried rice, noodles and vegetable medley. Desserts was Halloween cookies. Unsweet and Sweet tea & water for drinks.

Opening

Eureka opened the meeting by asking Mr. Clyde to bring the blessing of the meal. He also led the pledge of allegiance. There was a total of three visitors at this meeting.

Our Visitors

Shantane Bullock- Works with the company rejuvenate your life. She is also a lifestyle coach and speaker. Her passion is supporting non-profits.

Sharon Snail- Works with the city of Huntsville Community Visitor Bureau for the past 29 years. They are the marketing agency for the city of Huntsville and Madison county. For more information visit their website hunstivlle.org.

Club meets
2nd Thursday
At 6:00 p.m. at
Piccadilly Cafeteria

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

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Alka Bhargav – Founder of AU foundation, an under resourced program for young girls. Where she provides edict training. She does enrichment classes, things that are not covered in school. She gives each child a \$2000 scholar ship. Would like to provide each child with a laptop, because they are going to college without all the materials they need.

Treasurer's Report

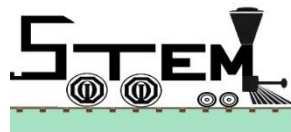


Secretary – Treasurer Al Renz gave his report. The club is doing well with a bank balance of 15,166.05.

Committee Reports

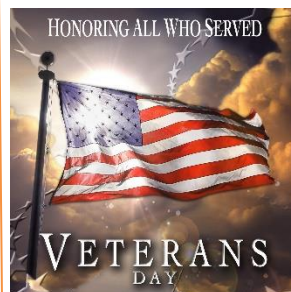


Alberto Duarte reported the clubs are energized and off to a great start. We are working towards building new clubs as well.



The STEM application has been sent to all of the Huntsville and Madison County elementary, middle, and high schools. The application window is open until December 3rd. More information can be found about the STEM program on our website, under STEM.

Eureka also sent 65 emails to the schools telling them about the 3 main focuses, Oratorical, Tri-Star Basketball, and Essay Contests. She's has added Morris p8 to the list.



Veterans Day Parade- We will have two cars in the parade this year. We will meet at Lot K (Clinton Ave. across from the Post Office) at 10:00 am. See map at the end of the newsletter.

Holiday Party- The fellowship committee is still working on our holiday party. We will have more information at our next meeting.

Evening Meeting location- suggestions for evening meeting location. If have any, please let Eureka know. Need to have a new place by Jan. (will make a vote on it)

Growing minds of the Shoals Optimist Club Update- They will meet October 28th. From 3-5pm at 15 ½th Street in Sheffield Al. They will have their 3rd Annual Breast Cancer Explosion. Hosted by the Diamonds and Growing Minds. If you would like to attend, see the flyer in the Photo Section. Details can be found there. For more information contact Keaires Roberson. Email:robersonjainitta@aol.com

PGI

Five of our members advanced to their next level. Let's give them a big hooray!!

Congrats!!

Bob Hirschbuehler and Matt Clarke advanced to Level 1. Vastell Williams advanced to Level 2. Richie Myers advanced to Level 3. And Eureka Thompson advanced to Level s 4 and 5. Photo in Photo Section.

Huntsville Optimist Foundation Report



Foundation President Alberto Duarte gave a report on the Foundation's investment as of October 24, 2018. The Foundations account at Regions is now worth \$866,803, and the account at Synovus is worth \$165,062. Regions is performing well. Elections for the foundation Board of Directors took place at the business meeting. Since there were no nominations from the floor, the following members were elected by acclamation: Clyde Nevins 1year. Jim Row, and Vastell Williams for 2 years; Alfred Adams and Gay Pepper for 3 years.

Award and Achievement (A&A)



We have fifty-nine thousand A&A points overall as a club this last Optimist year! **Wow!**

Closing

Eureka Thomson led the Club in reciting the Optimist Creed to close the meeting.

Keaires Roberson

Optimistic Quote of the Week

A Dream doesn't stop being a dream, until you stop dreaming. It's time to dream again!"

Keaires Roberson

CALENDAR

November 6th Tuesday **4:00 pm** 1st Commercial Bank – Whitesburg Dr.
Board Meeting

November 8th Thursday **11:45 am** Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting Vastell Williams
- NOTE TIME CHANGE -

November 12th Monday **10:00 am** Lot K (Clinton Ave. across from the Post Office)
Veterans Day Parade

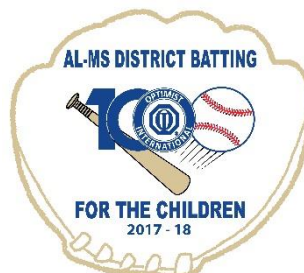
November 22nd Thursday **- NO MEETING - Thanksgiving**



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

December 13th Thursday **11:45 am** Optimist Recreation Center
Business Meeting (Bob Hirschbuehler)
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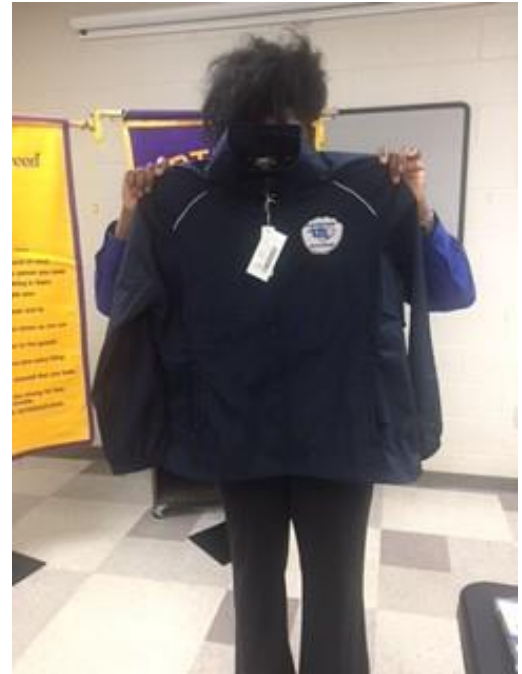
December 27th Thursday **- NO MEETING - CHRISTMAS**



PHOTOS



Our PGI Awardees: Matt Clarke, Eureka Thompson, Vastell Williams And Richie Myers.



Eureka Shows Off Her New District Jacket

3RD ANNUAL BREAST Cancer EXPLOSION
HOSTED BY: THE DIAMONDS AND GROWING MINDS

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS
ROCHELLE VINSON
9 YEAR BREAST CANCER SURVIVOR

OCTOBER 28, 2018
TOWN CREEK COMMUNITY
925 WALLACE STREET T
TOWN CREEK, AL
5:00 p.m. til 6:45

RSVP BY OCTOBER 26, 2018
@ (256) 627-9811

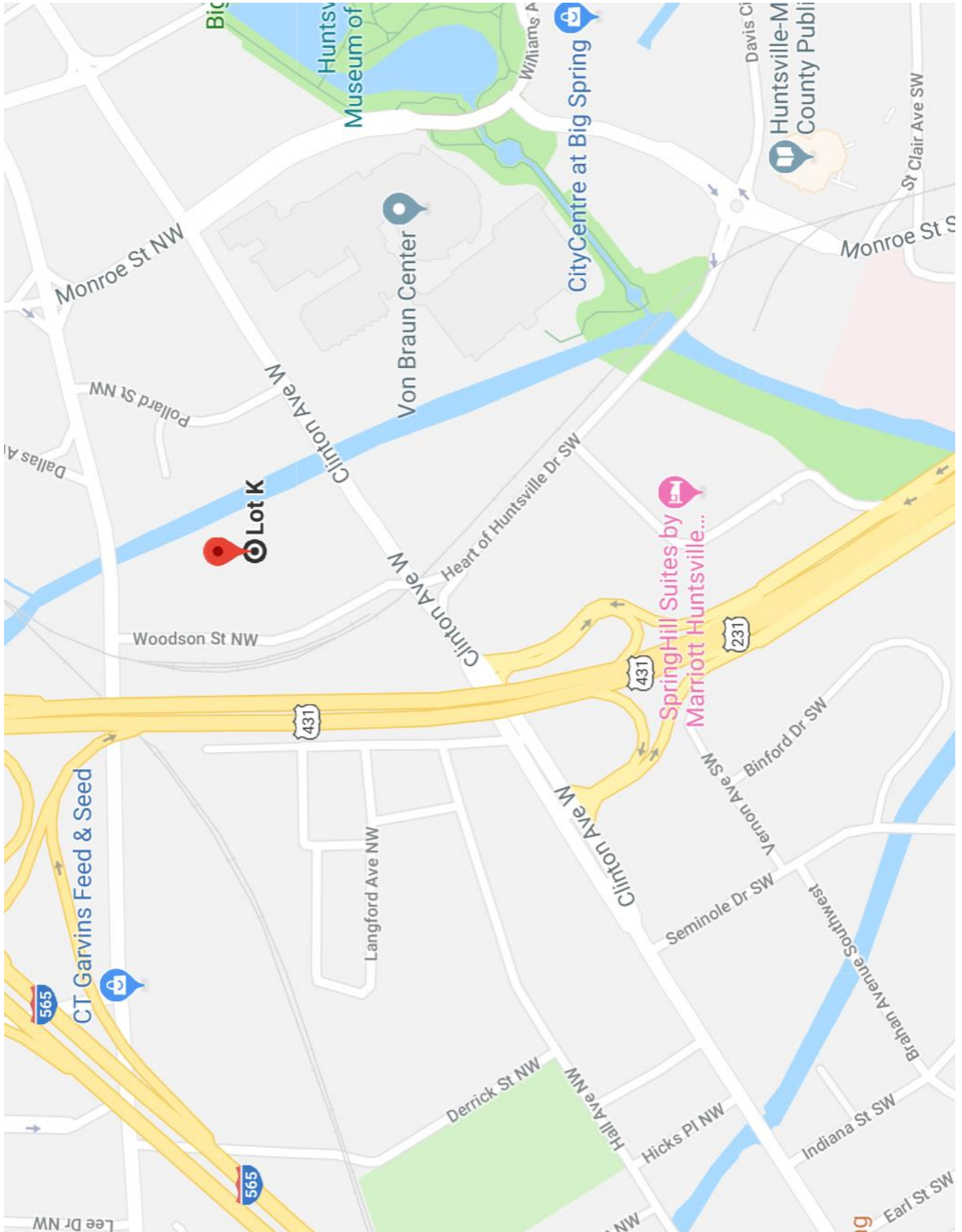


KATHY DAVIS
14 YEARS 2 TIME BREAST CANCER SURVIVOR

casual dressy pink



Growing Minds Optimist Club Project



Location of Lot K (Heart of Huntsville DR is great for parking)



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TO:

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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