

# **Opti - Topics**

Bulletin of the Optimist Club of Huntsville

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Chaplain Sidney Sandridge opened our business meeting with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. BBQ pork and chicken with fixens by Duane Plank.



Jack Fauble reported on the picnic status. He also cautioned to be careful at the Old Railroad Bed and Harvest 3 way

intersection. It is very dangerous. Proceed 2.8 miles west on Harvest Rd. The right turn into the farm comes up fast (just after the bee and blueberry farm sign on the left). Don't forget to bring a side dish **or** dessert.

Al presented the financial statement for the 10 months ending July 31, 2011. He also said that Jeff had been in the hospital for 30 days and has requested a delay in his payments to the bankruptcy court. Al originally thought we would resume getting payments near the end of the year, but this will probably delay it until after the first of the year.

Tom Casteel said to contact your band directors about placing instruments. We have 85 ready to go. He still has a couple of schools that he needs someone to cover. Please contact him if you can handle a school (or two).

Al reported that the Community Service checks had been hand delivered, except for Camp Smile-A-Mile, which was mailed. We have received 4 letters of thanks to date and Melvin Allen from the Harvest Youth Club will be our speaker on September 1, 2011.

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Gay Pepper 256-617-0742 gaypepper@fcb-hsv.com Al also reported that the Logan's playground fund raiser was a success once again, in spite of lack of Optimist Club support, with \$9,000 having been collected by the 20 volunteer waiters. Shane Davis, the Huntsville City Engineer was the winning waiter with just over \$1,100. Still nowhere near the record of over \$2,000 collected by Bob Martin at our first event.

The playground committee has decided to sell brass plaques to be affixed to various items at the playground. Benches will be \$250, tables \$500 and each of the two small pavilions will be \$7,500. The committee is also working on a car show fund raiser.

Alberto said that Central Presbyterian Church has taken 400 tickets to sell for the pancake breakfast and he urged each of our members to sell at least 10 tickets.

Bill Clarke reported on the status of the Foundation assets and also stated that our CPA has submitted all the form 990's for the missed years along with the form requesting that the Foundation's exempt status be retroactively reinstated. He thought it would be several months before we hear from them.

Next Business Meeting September 15. Food by Al Renz and Darrel McColgan. September  $8^{th}$  and 22nd speakers by Jim Pepper

# **Optimistic Quote of The Week**

"One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been."

Will Rogers

# CALENDAR

8/25	Thursday - <b>No Meeting</b>	
8/27	Saturday 2:00 pm	Jack Fauble's Farm
	Picnic with Youth Clubs	
9/1	Thursday11:45 am	Downtown Holiday Inn
	Melvin Allen - Harvest Youth Club	
9/6	Tuesday 4:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Commercial Bank
	Board Meeting	
9/8	Thursday11:45 am	Downtown Holiday Inn
	TBA - Jim Pepper	
9/15	Thursday 11:45 Optimist Recreation Center Business Meeting - Food - Al Renz	
9/22	Thursday11:45 am	Downtown Holiday Inn
	TBA - Jim Pepper	
9/24	Saturday 7:30 to 11:3	30 Cooper House Central Presbyterian
	Pancake Breakfast for Hawthorne Conservatory	
9-29	Thursday TBA pm	TBA
	Installation of Officers	

OPTIMIST PICNIC at the POOR FARM SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2011 2:00 PM 30149 HARVEST ROAD HOSTS: JACK and PATTI FAUBLE QUESTIONS - 256-771-1092 Bring a Covered Dish or Dessert SHADE - YARD GAMES - ROPING DONKEY - HORSES - MUSIC HORSE SHOES - FOOD - WAGON RIDES

YA'LL COME NOW !!!!!!

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