

Emily Baxter Parker President

"Dare to Care"

Downtown Optimist Club of Evansville



Meetings: Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday 11:45 am

Old National Bank - Bob Jones Family Community Room Riverside Drive at Main Street

Downtown Evansville



This Week's Program

Nov 13th — Regular Meeting & Foundation Board Meeting After

Next Week's Program

Nov 20th — Youth Appreciation Students Recognition with Meal















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President Karen Morris kicked off our Changing of the Guard meeting on Wednesday, October 23rd with a thoughtful prayer, the Optimist Creed, and a salute to our flag. She didn't just bring optimism—she brought a magnificent meal, catered from The Deli at ONB, Downtown. Members feasted on lasagna, chicken alfredo, a crisp salad, and cookies large enough to double as paperweights. The food alone was enough to make you want to run for club office!

After the feast, Karen kept us focused with some announcements. Our Youth Appreciation Breakfast is right around the corner, happening on November 7th at The Crescent Room. Mark your calendars, folks—it's one of our key events. She also reminded us that the review for Foundation Grants is slated for our next meeting on November 13th. Big dates ahead!

Ron Eberhart shared some health updates: Gary Burk is currently in the hospital, and Karen gave an update on her father-in-law, affectionately dubbed "The Big Daddy."

Dan Phillips then took his usual post as conscience money collector, as members emptied their pockets for a good cause. Whether it was a guilty conscience or simply good humor, a few bucks went into the pot.

The highlight, of course, was the officer induction ceremony. Ron called up our incoming leadership team: Karen Morris, Bob Shetler, Dan Phillips, Todd Wahl, and Rich Hawley. With hands raised and a sense of duty (or maybe just after-dinner drowsiness), they recited the oath of office. Congratulations to the new officers!

Next up, Emily Parker stepped forward to receive her well-deserved Past President's plaque, a gift card, and the coveted Past President's pin. And, in true Optimist spirit, Emily then presented the **Optimist of the Year Award** to none other than Karen Morris herself. A proud moment for our club!

With new officers installed and hearts full (and stomachs even fuller), we wrapped up another successful meeting. Next up: November 13th—be there!

Yours in optimism, Ron Eberhart, Scribe

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