

There will be no meeting next Tuesday August 10.
But you are invited to come to the BNOC Board meeting
Tuesday at the fields at 7:00 PM that evening.



“Friends of Youth – Bringing out the Best in Kids

www.boiseoptimist.org

Please take a look at our updated website. If you have any suggestions or corrections, please contact Ben Peterson at blpeter@gmail.com

Calendar Of Events

- 1. August 9 First practice for Optimist Youth Football teams.**
 - 2. August 14 Cheer Camp at the Optimist Youth Sports Complex.**
 - 3. August 21 Optimist Youth Football Jamboree at Bronco Stadium.**
 - 4. August 26 First striping of the 16 OYSC fields.**
 - 5. August 28 First Optimist Youth Football games.**
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Meeting called to order by President Ken Wall at 12:10 p.m. Gary Arbaugh led us in the Pledge, and Stub Clarkson said the Invocation.

Sunshine \$\$\$: Cindy Wall for the opening of this years' Concession Stands; Dan McQuesten for working on the Breakfast at the Fields (lots of fun). Football practice is coming up. Sue Clarkson: Grandson Will is in fact going to Hawaii for work and his truck is going with him and the Boat gets sold.

Coaches Clinic went well, too much!!! Dan is now known as the "Biscuit Man" good going Dan, Thanks for your help.

Clarkson's daughter Kathy is taking a group of students to Guatemala on a mission; Walt Callahan finally received his "Incredibly expensive Forty Niner Football Helmet!!!

Concession Stand Opens Aug. 28; First Date; Can use some HELP!!! 12 Thursdays starting at 7:p.m;Cleaning Concession Stand, stocking, training, etc.

Elections: Dyan Graybeal and Sue Oliver will be co-Presidents; we need someone to step up to be Secretary and Treasurer.

Board of Directors Meeting on the 10th (evening meeting at fields). The Jamboree is on Saturday the 21st.

Our Speaker today is LeRoy Grant, a retired Military Police Officer from Ft. Poll La; started working in 1975; in 1981 he joined the Idaho Police Dept. with Gang Intelligence and worked as a Resource Officer. We're looking for a Drug Free Idaho!!! LeRoy shared various "over the counter meds" that young people seem to be using now; These meds are generally found in their own homes or the homes of relatives, etc.

It is essential that adults keep their medications safely tucked away from preying eyes. We thank Leroy for his efforts and for his time with us.

The POT today is \$109.00 ---- Guess who won???? Yep, Barb Callahan; however it was only \$9.00; you guys need to get to the meetings early to get a good ticket!!! Just Kidding !!!

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Our speaker this day, retired Detective Sergeant, Boise Police Dept. LeRoy Graham.



LeRoy brought a ton of information.



Susie Clarkson with the fine pot!



Dan Lynch from Riddell Sports Group Inc.

I have to say here, as it always seems to happen that when we get a great speaker there is a small group to hear him or her. LeRoy Graham was very gracious and he will return. He had an important message.



LeRoy played football at BSU. He has a deep background against drugs. He wrote two laws against Meth.



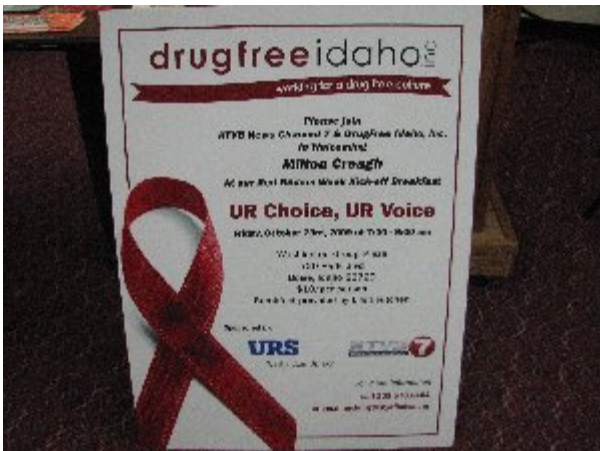
"Drug Free Idaho Inc" is trying to get businesses and organizations like the Optimists to help in the fight against drugs. Especially the very young.



Question: "What is the biggest growing problem drug?" Answer from Sue Clarkson: "Prescription Drugs." "Correct!"



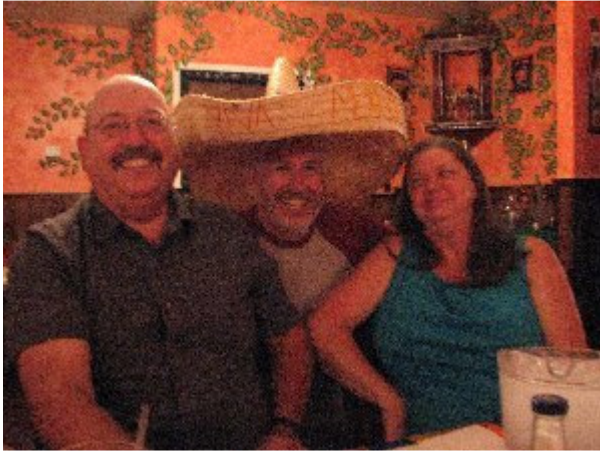
Kids will go into Grandma's house a steal pain pills. They will leave a few behind.



Barbara Callahan's ticket was pulled, and she drew a nine to win \$9.00.

PICTURES FROM OUR EVENING MEETING LAST WEEK AT CASA MEXICO.

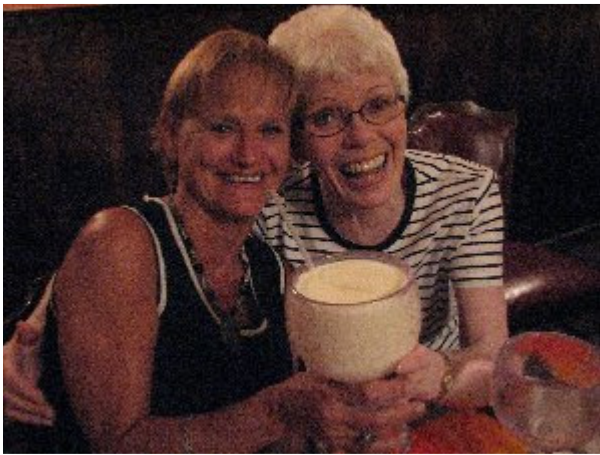
I SHOULD HAVE USED A FLASH ... SORRY!



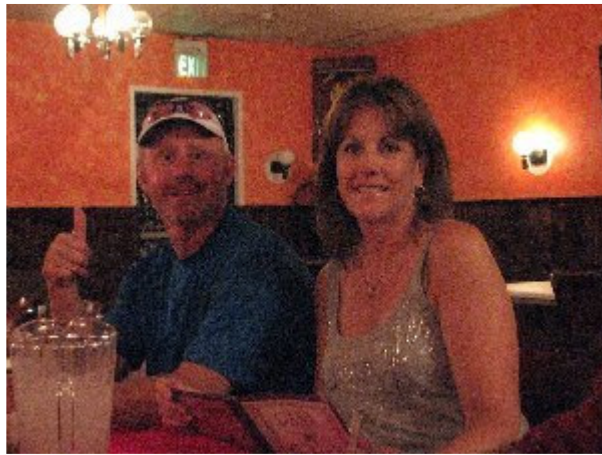
Sparky looks good wearing that sombrero.



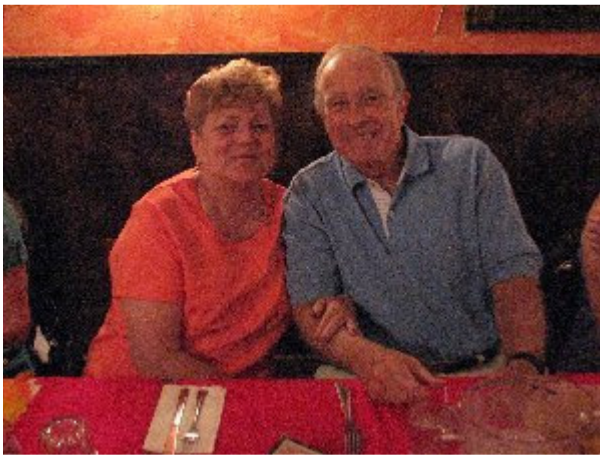
The Andersons, Mark and Sheri.



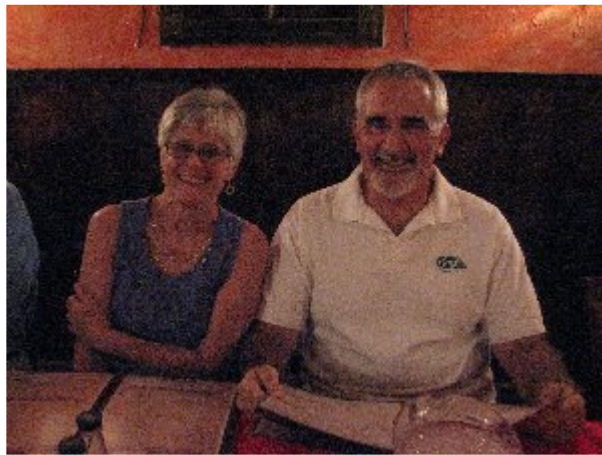
Pat Waller and Barb Callahan and a monster Margarita!



The Godseys.



Jeanne and Barry Fitzgerald.



Kathy and Gary Arbaugh.

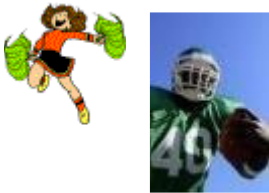


Dyan Graybeal

Yours in Optimism, Walt & Barbara Callahan

Activities of the Boise Noon Optimist Club

Optimist Youth Football and Cheer Program



A nationally recognized, premier, youth sports program, begun in 1949 by the Boise Noon Optimist Club. This Flag and Tackle football program encompasses teams from throughout the Treasure Valley, including Boise, Meridian, Eagle, Nampa, Emmett, Mtn. Home, McCall, Wood River, it'sKuna, Glens Ferry, Marsing, Horseshoe Bend, and Garden Valley. In 2004, we expanded to include Cheerleading. In 2006, we anticipate over 4000 kids, ages 7-12, participating in this outstanding youth sports program.

The Boise Optimist Youth Football & Cheer Program steadfastly adheres to a rather “unique” philosophy. There is no goal of sending a team to any Little League World Series. There are no traveling teams with paid coaching staffs. There are no All-Star Teams. Participants do not “try out” and they are not categorized as “major” and “minor.”

Instead, Optimist teams and cheer squads are formed by neighborhoods according to where the participant lives. Teams are composed of players of different skill levels and abilities. They learn how to combine all these different abilities to form a team.

In football, once a player is on a tackle team (usually age 9), they will stay with that team for the entire four years they are in the program. They not only grow up together, but they also form lifelong friendships. When a coach starts with a team, he also moves up with the same team for the full four

years.

A lot of youth programs talk about teaching teamwork, sportsmanship, commitment, and developing relationships. Optimist Youth Football & Cheer actually does it. It is truly a “unique experience.”

Optimist Youth Sports Complex



The Boise Noon Optimist Club, in collaboration with the City of Boise, has established a permanent home for the Optimist Youth Football and Cheer Program. With generous donations from corporate sponsors, Phase I of the Optimist Youth Sports Complex, located on Hill Road, was completed. Phase II of the park is currently under construction and we are actively seeking funds to complete this outstanding youth sports park. Other youth sports groups benefit from this city park, including recreational soccer and lacrosse teams. When complete, the 52 acre park will have 16 football fields, 950+ parking spaces, 2 catch-and-release ponds, 2 tennis courts, 2 covered patios, and a playground. For more information contact Jerron Moore at jerronm@msn.com.

Childhood Cancer Campaign



In December 2001, the Optimist International Board of Directors established the CCC as the organization's primary focus program for the next five years. We also give financial support to the St. Luke's Hospital school for children undergoing extensive and prolonged treatments. The benefits of this school can best be summed up in the words of one of its students, *“I figured if they were going to go to the trouble to teach me math, that must mean that I wasn't going to die.”*

Operation Bear Care

In partnership with Boise State University; we collect hundreds of new teddy bears and other stuffed animals during a home basketball game. These cuddly toys find their way to the Victim-Witness Units of the Boise Police Department and the Ada County Sheriff's Office.

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Picnic

During the month of June, Boise hosts the annual Hugh O'Brian Leadership Conference. Every high school in Idaho selects one sophomore student to attend this dynamic and life-changing event. The Boise Noon Optimist Club puts together a great bar-b-que in the park and feeds lunch to all of these young people and the HOBY staff. These future leaders are motivated, enthusiastic, appreciative, and hungry! To learn more about the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Foundation, go to <http://www.hoby.org/About/>.

Rake-Up Boise

Each year the Boise Noon Optimist club participates in “Rake-Up Boise,” a city-wide effort to rake the leaves of the elderly, handicapped, or feeble members of our community.

Santa Letters



The BNOC has been answering Santa's letters for over 35 years. Gary Arbaugh

organizes the Santa Letters sessions.

Annual Holiday Auction & Dinner

This has become a highly anticipated holiday event for Boise Noon Optimist club members. Our dinner and silent and live auctions net thousands of dollars which are then distributed to needy kids and their families. Each year we purchase gifts for kids at the Hays Shelter Home and the Emancipation House. Other groups who have benefited from our auctions include the Ronald McDonald House, Fairmont Junior High School Holiday gift-giving and individual families in Boise.

Essay Contest

This is a new program for our club. It is designed to give young people the opportunity to write about their own opinions regarding the world in which they live. This year's club winner was Kathryn Boren, a senior at Boise High School. She received a \$250 scholarship from the Boise Noon Club and her essay will be competing in our Pacific Northwest District contest in May 2006.

Quilting

This group of ladies and gents get together to promote personal quilting skills and produce quilts for the Linus Program. "Linus" blankets are distributed to children's hospitals, fire departments and family service organizations.

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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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