



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

Jan 10th—

Next Week's Program

Jan 24th—TBA



**Ed Harrison
Memorial
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Happy New Year from President Emily and the Board Members!

Welcome to the first newsletter of the year, filled with joy, cheer, and a sprinkle of holiday memories that made our last meeting a jolly good time! President Emily started the meeting with a thoughtful invocation, Pledge to Our Flag, and Optimist Creed.

Festive Feasts and Holiday Cheers - Our December 20th meeting was an absolute blast! We mixed our Changing of the Guard and Christmas Party into one epic celebration. Thanks to Karen Morris and her incredible spread, we had enough food to feed Santa and his entire workshop. Rumor has it she had to enlist her twins to help carry it all in—now that's what we call a feast!

Decked Out in Holiday Spirit - Our members truly embraced the Christmas vibe, sporting their most festive attire. President Emily set the tone, leading the way in spreading the holiday cheer. We also sang carols and a Christmas game.

Welcoming the New Guard - With much pomp and flair, Ron Eberhart installed the new officers, Emily Parker as President, along with an amazing team to support her along with Dan Phillips, Bob Shetler, Michelle Brummett, and Karen Morris as members of the Board of Directors. Todd Wahl as Treasurer, Ron Eberhart as Secretary. Michael Wall, Sarge, was awol along with Michael Burk. Ron presented Emily with her Past President's plaque, gavel and gift.

Recognizing Excellence - Dan Phillips brought the house down by announcing Emily Parker as the Optimist of the Year. Her surprise was a sight to behold, and she truly deserves this recognition.

Spreading Joy Beyond Our Club - We extended our festive spirit to Cher Brown and her family, offering them gifts and goodwill during the holidays. It was heartwarming to share our joy with them. We adopted her family and presented her with a gift card to Walmart and gifts for her grandchildren, ages 3, 8, and 11.

Optimism Abounds! -The meeting was filled with laughter, love, and a lot of holiday magic. Here's to a new year, filled with even more moments of joy, camaraderie, and optimism.

Looking Ahead - Join us as we embark on another year of spreading positivity and making a difference in our community. Let's keep the spirit of optimism alive and thriving!

Wishing you all a fantastic start to the New Year!

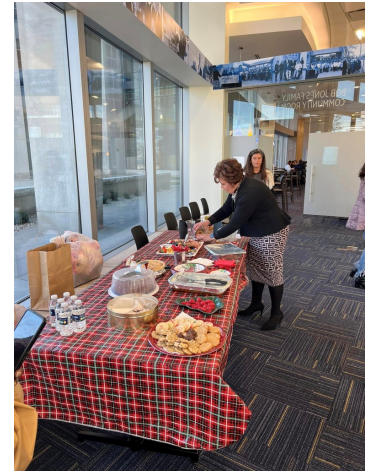
One last note...our January 24th meeting will be moved to a different location TBA.

Signed,
Elf Ron (AI)

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