



“Optimist OPTICS”

"Achieving Our Goals"



Optimist Club of Evansville - Downtown

Michael Burk - President

This Week's Program

Next Week's Program

Sept 25th
Changing of the Guard—Dilegge's

Oct 9th
TBD



Ed Harrison Memorial Golf Scramble

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It was a great night on Wednesday, September 25th as we celebrated our Changing of the Guard, new officer installation for 2019 – 2020. We said farewell to our 98th President Michael Burk and welcomed Rich Hawley as our 99th President.

Ron Eberhart MC-ed the event which was held at DeLegge's Banquet Hall. We dined on great Italian cuisine.

After dining, Ron started the meeting by having members introduce their guests. Mike Novak, Indiana South District Governor was present to install our new officers.

Ron attempted some humor about departing Michael Burk who works as Vectren. Ron was somewhat frustrated because Michael's profession is very non-descript making it hard to find any jokes about his profession. On the other hand, incoming president, Rich Hawley, is an attorney which offered Ron a feast of jokes. Ron spent most of his remarks on Rich reciting many jokes about lawyers. The crowd enjoyed most jokes but some fell flat.

After Ron's somewhat attempt to be funny, he called the new officers to the front of the room for induction. Board members: John Perkins, Gary Burk, Dan Phillips, and Jeff Olson. Vice President Colleen York, Treasurer Todd Wahl, Secretary Ron Eberhart, outgoing President Michael Burk, and Incoming President Richard Hawley. Mike Novak the Indiana South Governor conducted the installation of all officers. He presented each one with a pin from the new incoming Governor. He then spent several minutes talking to the members.

Past President Michael Burk then made his final comments to members and thanked everyone for their service. Ron then presented Michael with a Past President's Pin, and President's Plaque thanking him for his year of service as President, and a gift. Ron called Gary Burk to come forward. Gary presented Michael, his son, with a Presidential plague with gavel attached.

Rich Hawley came forward and Michael presented him with the "traveling" President's Pin, in addition to his official President's Pin. Rich then addressed the group with presidential remarks. He said every meeting should be a NOW Meeting. (New Optimists Welcome) not just a once a year event. Invite a guest to attend to every meeting should be our goal.

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Ron also asked Dan Phillips to come forward and he presented him with a gift card to send to Tina Gibbs for her assistance in working on and sending out our newsletter. Dan will send it to her in Florida.

Michael’s final act as President for 2018-2019 was to present the Optimist of the Year Award. This year’s recipient is Colleen York. Colleen York is a relatively new member who joined our board and worked on many projects this past year for the club. CongratulationsColleen!!

That’s it for this great meeting....see you on October 9th ...

Ron Eberhart



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