## OPTIMIST CLUB OF CHAPEL HILL

## CHAPEL HILL NEWS



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### **Meeting Notes**

#### **Program**

Tracy Burnett

#### **Humor and Insights**

Carolyn shared humor this evening. Thanks for making us smile.

#### Life Membership Game

The life membership game was played this evening with Phyllis as our big winner.

#### **Thank You Notes**

Thank you notes were shared from the following for our donations:

Durham Citizens' Safety Committee,

Teacher's Closet (Chapel Hill Middle Schools),

Boys & Girls Homes of NC.

Carolyn also shared an article about Ed Moore and his Mile of Hope program which we support.

# Tracy Burnett, Director

### **Chatham County Parks & Recreation**



Tracy Burnett

and

Marge Clemons

Thanks to Marge for arranging for Tracy Burnett, Director of Chatham County Parks & Recreation, to talk with us this evening about the many ways they serve the youth there. Tracy was born and raised in Chatham County, then attended High Point University for her degree in Health. She has been with Chatham County for 18 years and in that time her department has expanded to 4 full time staff and more parttime and volunteer help as needed.

They offer a wide variety of sports and family oriented events. You will need to check their web site as the list is far too long to list here! With recent budget cuts, they work diligently to leverage resources with local businesses and other organizations

that serve Chatham County youth and families to maximize services offered. In some cases, they are organizing and leading the events through Parks & Recreation and in other instances. they are providing support to other groups leading the events.

Their motto:

We do a LOT with

For more information about Chatham County Parks & Recreation

http://www.chathamnc.org/Index.aspx?page=636

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## **Childhood Cancer**

Trish reported great results from our collection efforts at Harris Teeter stores this past weekend of \$677.60. putting our total results this year over \$2163. Thanks to our regular long-time volunteer members, plus help from new members and extra-ordinary work from Trish herself for making this a fantastic success.



# July 4th

At least 10 volunteers are needed for the 4 on the 4th race to support Cardinal Track. Sign up with Jerry **Phelps.** This is a major fundraiser for us.

Chapel Hill/Carrboro Parks & Rec has requested volunteers to help with their celebration at Town Hall. Contact Phyllis if you can help.

## **Meeting Site Search**

We are exploring various alternative meeting sites since Jim's BBQ has closed. So far, we have tried: Caribou Coffee, City Kitchen, and tonight we met at Red Bowl at University Mall for the second time. We plan to continue looking, but will meet at Red Bowl unless we find a more favorable location.

Bob mentioned that some other clubs either hold their meeting without a meal, or have people bring snacks to share. We could also consider having attendees bring 'brown bag' for whatever they want to consume. We continue exploring all options for location and format to find a method that will work for us in the long term. .

Let Carolyn know if you have other suggestions.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



- Watch for email information from Jerry Phelps about our involvement in July 4th race with Cardinal Track.
- Our donations for TABLE were delivered. They are always grateful for our help especially through the summer months when many children will not have the meals provided at schools.
- Max is checking with Chatham County Together to see if they would like to do another pizza and bowling outing with us. Hopefully we will know more when our speaker visits from CCT on June 20th.
- Trish has mentioned incentives for bringing in new members, one of which is a 'free' duck for the races in August.
- Phyllis will coordinate menus and donations for the Ronald McDonald house breakfasts in advance of dates.

EVENT G PCOMIN June 13 Board Meeting - Red Bowl 6:30 pm

June 20 Program: Kim Caraganis, Chatham County Together 6:30 pm

June 27 No meeting / working meeting

July 4 4 on the 4th race—Need at least 10 volunteers Program: Cole Carroll, Junior Golfer 6:30 pm July 11

July 18 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm

July 25 Program: to be announced 6:30 pm

Watch for emails indicating meeting locations until we get more permanent arrangements in

Sep 8 & Nov 24 CONFIRMED dates for Ronald McDonald breakfasts 9 am

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