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**Optimist Club of Birmingham** 

The Flagship Club of the Alabama-Mississippi District August 2022

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday City Club 12:00 Noon

The August 11<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon, meeting will take place at City Club, 1901 6th Ave N, Ste 3100, Birmingham. **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** The meal cost is \$27/person. Reservations are required. If you make a reservation and do not show, then an invoice will be sent to you to cover the cost of your meal, which the Club is charged for, whether or not you attend. If you have not already made your reservation, please contact Leon Evans at <u>levansjr74@aol.com</u> or 205-222-6227.

# AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

Our guest speaker will be **Attorney John R Holliman**, who will speak on internet safety. Mr. Holliman was born and raised in McCalla, AL. He attended Birmingham Southern College where he received a BS degree in Liberal Arts, and the University of Alabama School of Law, where he received a juris doctor degree in 1990. Mr. Holliman practiced real estate law for 20 years with his father, Jim Holliman, and has practiced estate planning in elder law for the last 13 years. He has been married to Melanie Bradford Holliman, a graduate of Cumberland Law School, since 2005. He has a successful practice in Scottsboro, AL, and is Executive Director of the Alabama Family Trust. His hobbies are fly fishing and anything outdoors.

### LAST MEETING

Respect for Law Chair Adrienne Pearson & Co-Chair Jacqueline Holder presented our Respect for Law Honorees at our annual Respect for Law Program, held at City Club on July 21st! The Club was proud to recognize the Officers of Birmingham Police Department's COPE (Community Outreach for Public Education) Division, along with Commander of the Division, Captain Janice Blackwell!

Keynote speaker was **Captain Shelia Frazier-Finney**, Commanding Officer of the Community Safety Partnership Division. Accompanying Captains Frazier-Finney and Blackwell at the meeting was **Sergeant Travis Hendrix**. Musical entertainment was provided by keyboardist, **Byron Thomas**.

Other guests included **I.C. and Bettie Bell**, **Dominique McCoy**, A G Gaston Boys and Girls Club Director, and **Norma Stewart**, Birmingham West End Club Treasurer.

## **MEMBER NEWS**

August <u>Birthdays</u>: 1st – Don Kirkland, 4<sup>th</sup> – Steve Wingo, 24<sup>th</sup> – Judge Patricia Stephens

## Hope you each enjoy / enjoyed your special day!

**Please note:** If your birthday and/or anniversary was not included, please email the dates to Nancy Ryan at <u>nryan95@charter.net</u>, so they can be added to the list!!



Sergeant Travis Hendrix & Captain Shelia Frazier-Finney Congratulate Captain Janice Blackwell & the Officers of the COPE Division for their well-deserved honor.



Respect for Law Chair Adrienne Pearson & President Anita Lee present the Respect for Law Award to Captain Janice Blackwell & Officers of the COPE Division.



Respect for Law Co-Chair, Jacqueline Holder, introducing the keynote speaker, Captain Shelia Frazier-Finney.



Adrienne Pearson, Angene Coleman, Gina Levert, & Erma Hinton, welcome guests, I.C. & Bettie Bell



Deborah Dickinson & President-Elect Carolyn McCoy



Thank you to Byron Thomas for providing musical entertainment for our members & guests!



President Anita Lee & Director Teresa Jones, welcome Birmingham West End Club Treasurer, Norma Stewart



Mr. & Mrs. Most Photogenic...Glenn & Ruby Peterson!!!



New member Erma Hinton & Treasurer Leon Evans







I.C. & Bettie Bell



Sandra Weems, Adrienne Pearson, Kendra Johnson, Angene Coleman, Jacqueline Holder, Anita Lee & Danella Johnson