

Optimist Club of Birmingham

In Our 91st Year of Service to
Youth & the Community

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The Flagship Club of the
Alabama-Mississippi District
October 28, 2018

Meets 2nd & 4th Thursdays
12:15 PM

PLEASE NOTE: The Club's special activity for October will be the "Purchase with a Purpose" Open House Shopping Event (see below). **There will be NO regular Club meeting on Thursday, October 25.**



PURCHASE WITH A PURPOSE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2-5 P.M.
OUR LADY OF LOURDES
FAMILY LIFE CENTER GYM
980 HUFFMAN RD.,
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35215



The Optimist Club of Birmingham is sponsoring our 4th **Purchase with a Purpose** Open House Shopping Event to support the many projects sponsored by the Club which benefit youth in the community and to promote **Breast Cancer & Domestic Violence Awareness Month**.

The event will feature a wide variety of vendors, door prizes, silent auction & raffle, and food! It will be a great opportunity to get an early start on Christmas shopping while supporting a great cause!

Miss Jefferson County's Outstanding Teen 2019 Zoé Champion & Miss Alabama 2013 Chandler Champion will serve as emcees and provide live musical entertainment! Please share the [Purchase with a Purpose event flyer](#) and be sure to "Like" our [Club's Facebook page](#) and share the [event](#) with others to help spread the word!

Volunteers are needed! Please contact [Nancy Ryan](#) if you are available to assist with setup at 12 noon, during the event, and/or clean-up after the event.

LAST MEETING

Our guest speaker was Sharon Likos, Coordinator of Communications & Marketing and of Donor Relations with the Alabama Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders (Center), a partnership between Children's of Alabama and UAB Division of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology. A presentation of forty-five \$10 Walmart gift cards was made on behalf of Zone 1 by 2017-2018 Zone 1 Lt. Gov. **Leon Evans**, along with **Walk for a Cure** Co-Chairs **Norma Stewart** (Birmingham West-End - BWE) & **Nancy Ryan**. The cards will be handed out as needed to parents of children undergoing treatment for cancer and blood disorders to be used for purchasing gas or any other incidental items needed during their stay. The Club was delighted to also have Zone 1 Optimists **Billy Fox**, **Tolanda Beal**, and **Lt. Gov. Michael Holt** (BWE) & **Janet Smith** (Talladega) at the meeting for the special presentation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 25 – NO CLUB MEETING

Oct 28 (Sunday) – Purchase with a Purpose, Our Lady of Lourdes Family Life Center, 2-5 p.m.

Nov 8 – Regular Club Meeting at Our Lady of Lourdes featuring Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum

[Optimist Club of Birmingham Calendar 2018-2019](#)

MEMBER NEWS

The Optimist Club of Birmingham is proud to join in honoring Club Member Roger Vaughan, who received a special Optimist International Foundation (OIF) Past President pin at the 1st Quarter Optimist International, Alabama-Mississippi District Meeting in Tuscaloosa, in recognition of his outstanding service as OIF President during the 2012-2013 year. He was presented the award by OIF Executive Director Craig Boring and AL-MS District Governor Debbie Forsythe Merritt.

Roger has faithfully served the youth of our community for many years through his involvement with Optimist International (OI) at the Club, District and International levels, most notably serving as Club President, Zone 1 Lt. Governor, AL-MS District Governor, OI Vice President, OIF Director, and OIF President. He continues his dedication to the Club and Foundation by currently serving as Club Foundation Representative and as mentor and advisor to the Club and Foundation Board of Directors and Finance Committee. Our hats are off to you, Roger Vaughan!

1st Quarter District Meeting Tuscaloosa, AL – October 19-21, 2018



AL-MS District Gov. Debbie Merritt presents the OI Foundation Past President pin to Roger Vaughan.



Optimist International Foundation Executive Director Craig Boring thanks Past OIF President Roger Vaughan for his outstanding service to the Foundation.



President Jon Ryan, Secretary Nancy Ryan, AL-MS District Governor Debbie Merritt, OIF Executive Director Craig Boring and OI Representative Venus Sanford congratulate OI Foundation Past President Roger Vaughan.

Walk for a Cure Gift Card Presentation – October 11, 2018



2017-2018 Lt. Gov. Leon Evans & Walk for a Cure Co-Chairs Nancy Ryan & Norma Stewart present gift cards to Sharon Likos, Coordinator of Communications & Marketing and of Donor Relations with the Alabama Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders, for parents of children with cancer and blood disorders to use for gas or other necessary items.



Zone 1 Optimists donate \$450 in gift cards to Alabama Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders. Pictured at the presentation (L to R): Birmingham President Jon Ryan, Zone 1 Lt. Gov. Michael Holt, Nancy Ryan, Ron Taylor, Adrienne Pearson, Sharon Likos, Norma Stewart, Kathy Brill, Leon Evans, Tolanda Beal, Birmingham West-End President Billy Fox, and Janet Smith.

YOU'RE INVITED TO Purchase with a Purpose

AN OPEN HOUSE SHOPPING EVENT TO
BENEFIT YOUTH IN THE BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY
& PROMOTE BREAST CANCER & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018
2:00 – 5:00 PM
OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH
FAMILY LIFE CENTER GYM
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ZOÉ CHAMPION

SPONSORED BY THE
OPTIMIST CLUB OF BIRMINGHAM
MISS JEFFERSON COUNTY'S OUTSTANDING TEEN 2019 ZOÉ CHAMPION
& MISS ALABAMA 2013 CHANDLER CHAMPION
WILL BE SERVING AS EMCEES & PROVIDING LIVE MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT!



CHANDLER CHAMPION

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING VENDORS WHO ARE SUPPORTING THIS EVENT.
THEY AND OTHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU WITH ALL YOUR SHOPPING NEEDS!

DOOR PRIZES,
SILENT AUCTION &
RAFFLE!

AVON * DARLIN D DESIGNS * DISCOVERY TOYS
HELPING HEARTS TO HEAL – RERE & THINGS
IAM>IRBY BEAUTY BOUTIQUE
MARY KAY COSMETICS

TREAT YOURSELF TO
SOMETHING SPECIAL!

SHOP EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS,
BIRTHDAYS AND OTHER
SPECIAL EVENTS!

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND
PAPARAZZI JEWELRY
PREMIER DESIGNS JEWELRY
SCENTSY * THIRTY-ONE
THE SOUTHERN WREATH LADY
HANDMADE ARTS 'N' CRAFTS
AND MORE!!!

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE
PROVIDED BY SWEETZ BY PAM
& BENEFITING
MISSIONS OF KINDNESS!

PRE-ORDER PECANS FOR ALL
YOUR THANKSGIVING &
CHRISTMAS BAKING NEEDS!

THE BIRMINGHAM OPTIMIST YOUTH FOUNDATION IS A 501(c)3 ORGANIZATION.
PROCEEDS FROM THE EVENT WILL HELP TO SUPPORT THE MANY PROJECTS THE
CLUB SPONSORS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO BENEFIT YOUTH IN THE COMMUNITY.

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT REGISTERING AS A VENDOR AT THE EVENT,
PLEASE CONTACT NANCY RYAN AT 205-531-5992 OR BIRMINGHAMOPTIMISTCLUB@GMAIL.COM.