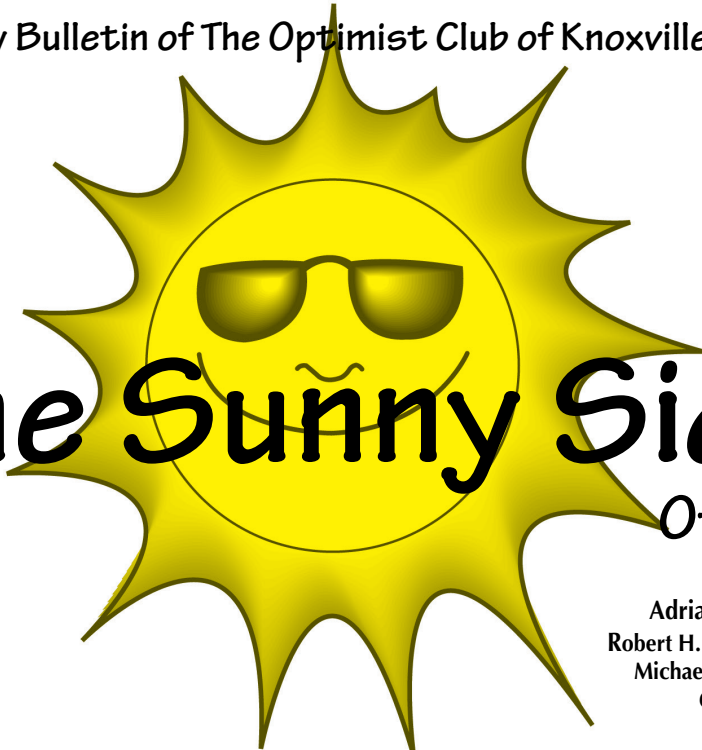


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TWO WEEKS AGO

LAST FRIDAY 10 JANUARY 2020

CAMILLE Last Friday, Zone 13 Lt. Governor CHRIS COX conducted a review of who we are and where we are going as a club. He was ably assisted by DENO COLE, BEN GOODSON, DAVE HARTER and DARRIN RHINES.

LAST WEEK

FRIDAY 17 JANUARY 2020

WILLIAM BASS, an American forensic anthropologist, best known for his research on human osteology and human decomposition, was our guest last Friday.

Make yourself a note. If you are within driving distance, go anywhere Dr. BASS is speaking. We are sure he illustrates his talks with asides you did not hear the last time he spoke. Very entertaining – not to mention informative.

We learned about blow flies and wasps and smorgasbord preferences of buzzards. All of which is to say that his studies help tell the story of those unable to speak for themselves. His work provided law enforcement and lawyers vital information, but most importantly, he has also, in most cases, provided the families of the deceased with information in a way that reflected his belief about the importance of kindness,

He told me that of the 700 or so cases he has studied there were about 5% that he was not able to resolve to his satisfaction. He said, I ask myself, 'what have I missed?'

Many of those at the meeting Friday bought books from Dr. BASS. If you missed the meeting (or did not have time to make your purchase Friday) here's information on The Bone Bones, your local source for all 12 of his books autographed by the



man himself.

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SATURDAY 18 JANUARY 2020

DR. Alex Feldt, Senior Lecturer at the University of Tennessee Department of Philosophy, invited us to participate in the eleventh annual Tennessee High School Ethics Bowl (THSEB) last Saturday, January 18, 2020 at Knoxville's Holiday Inn at World's Fair Park.

THSEB is co-sponsored by the Department of Philosophy and the UT Humanities Center with financial support from Home Federal Bank.

Thanks to all who were able to participate.

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY 2020

Social Chairman JOHN TEMPLE says the first Social of the new year will be held this coming Wednesday 22 January 2020 at The Tennessean Personal Luxury Hotel, 531 Henley Street, Knoxville, TN 37902 beginning at 5:30 pm. KELLY PRATT reminds you that you may expect free Valet parking, specialty drinks and menu items to accompany warm fellowship.

FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2020

JIMMY CHEEK Chancellor Emeritus and Distinguished Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, joins us next Friday. Join us for "Reflections of a University of Tennessee Knoxville Chancellor Emeritus".

He earned his bachelor's and Ph.D. degree from Texas A&M and his master's degree from Lamar University. A native of Texas, he is married to

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ILEEN CHEEK, and they have two children and four grandchildren. He became the seventh chancellor of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville on February 1, 2009 and stepped down from that position in February 15, 2017. As a first-generation college student, JIMMY set in motion several initiatives to improve educational programs, research, campus infrastructure, diversity, and access as well as securing additional resources through differential tuition and the 15-4 tuition model. He has served as the Campaign Chair for the United Way of Greater Knoxville. He also serves on the Tocqueville Cabinet and the Board of Directors. He is a member of the Delaware Valley University Board of Trustees and he is the Chair of the Board of Directors for the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC).

Lt. Governor (and Immediate Past President) CHRIS COX serves as Chairman of the Day. Invite a friend to share your optimism and a great Foundry lunch.

NEXT WEEK

FRIDAY 31 JANUARY 2020

In August of 2018, SHERRY WITT became the first female elected to serve as Knox County Clerk. A native of Knoxville, SHERRY is a graduate of Fulton High School and holds a B.A. degree from the University of Tennessee. She has also earned a Certified Public Administrator designation from the University of Tennessee Center for Government Training, and is a graduate of the Local Government Leadership Program. SHERRY holds the distinguished honor of being the first female Register of Deeds for Knox County. She is a former President of the East Tennessee Register's Association as well as the Tennessee Registers. In 2014 she was named Outstanding Register of the Year. She has served on numerous County Officials Association of Tennessee committees during her time in office. SHERRY'S community involvement continues to be an important part of her life. She is a 25-year member of the Advisory Board of the Knoxville Boys and Girls Clubs, and she serves on the board for the Free Medical Clinic of America, as well as the Knox County Schools Career and Technical Education Partnership.

SHERRY joins us to explain Tennessee Real I.D. The REAL ID Act of 2005 establishes minimum security standards for license issuance and production and prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for certain purposes driver licenses and identification cards from states not meeting the Act's minimum standards. Beginning this coming October 1, 2020, all persons must have a REAL ID license for accessing certain Federal buildings, entering nuclear facilities, and boarding commercial flights within the United States.

Invite a friend to join you at The Foundry and learn all about this new initiative.

PLAN AHEAD

CHRIS COX and his committee have done a nice job with programs through the first quarter of this Optimist Year! We have enjoyed diverse and informative programs and look forward to more. Should you have a suggestion for a speaker or topic, please contact CHRIS.

SATURDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2020

FISH Chairman BRADLEY PRUITT announced our next Opportunity for Involvement at the FISH Hospitality Food Pantry will be on Saturday 22 February 2020.

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 AL STIGALL 10th
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 TIFFANY SHERRILL 24th
 CAROLYN BLIND 31st



JANUARY

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RALPH ALEXANDER 1st
 LISA HUBER 1st

PICS

DENNIS McBRIDE dropped in for our first meeting of the new year and paid fines for a birthday and anniversary. We were concerned that he might never come back, but no worries – DENNIS and TAMI were there last Friday to hear all about blowflies!

RALPH ALEXANDER celebrated his birthday and anniversary on 1 January. He volunteered to pay a fine of a dollar for each year on this Earth (91) and one dollar for each year he and CLARA have been married (67). He pointed out that this practice, begun decades ago, is getting to be expensive! We wish RALPH and CLARA many more years of happiness.



CASPER COX presented our club with a custom designed 100th logo.

(l to r) BRADLEY PRUITT, President BEN GOODSON, artist CASPER COX and his brother and our Immediate Past President CHRIS with logo banner.

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MARIE LEONARD celebrated her birthday with us last Friday. As is our custom, celebrants gracing us with their presence on "their day" receive our musical salute. MARIE, always a gracious lady, suffered our attempt at song with a huge smile!



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- TO be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- TO talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.
- TO make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- TO look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- TO think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.
- TO be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.
- TO forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
- TO wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.
- TO give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.
- TO be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

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