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"TENNIS CAMP ENDS"

The **Carolina Cardinals Optimist Club's "Tennis on the Eastside"** summer camp came to an end on August 12th.

On August 20th we had the final celebration at Sugaw Creek Recreation Center from 9am until 4pm.

The youth and their families enjoyed watching matches between the children while enjoying hotdogs, chips and watermelon. Coca Cola provided us with cases of PowerAde to cool everyone off.

Each child who participated in our Summer Camp received a t-shirt, certificate, their choice of a book and a backpack with school supplies.

We look forward to doing this again next summer. Youth who were not in attendance should see Coach Brown for their items.



Group Photo with Coach Brown and Coach Joe

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Five members of the Carolina Cardinals Optimist Club travelled to SpringMaid Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC the weekend of August 25-28th 2016 to attend the quarterly conference of the North Carolina West District.

Needless to say, we had **FUN**. We were awarded gold stars for all of our efforts in such a short time. Since we are the newest Club (just charted in February), we have undertaken quite a few projects and we were recognized for it. The Club won 2^{nd} place in the A&A Awards with 3,350 points coming in next to Mallard Creek.

Bobbi Hague won a prize for the "Twist Contest". Bernard Parker won golf balls for participating in the golf tournament that benefits Childhood Cancer. Bernard was our guinea pig for the contest using patriotic napkins. (See picture) Coach Brenda Slade won the basketball throw and took home a red, white and blue camp chair. Mary Dingle and Betty Parker, along with 8 others, received our Dime-A-Day pins for our donations.

On Saturday there was a Duck Race on the Lazy River. Donations of \$5.00 per duck were collected and proceeds go to the *Childhood Cancer Campaign.* Carolina Cardinals purchased 20 ducks.



Our table won for dressing Bernard up in his patriotic napkin vest and matching hat. Thanks to Mary Dingle for the idea.

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www.Facebook.com/ccoc2016

Website: www.ccoc2016.org

FUNDRAISERS All Hands on Deck!

We have the opportunity to work the Panthers' Stadium for the football season. We need as many people to volunteer to help with a concession stand so that we can make some money for the Club. If you are willing to help, please let President Betty Parker know. We will let you know when the schedule is ready.

IT'S ON!

We will be taking a bus trip to Harrah's Casino on **Saturday, October 1st.** Please check with friends, neighbors and your relatives to see if they would be interested in joining us for a funfilled day. We would like each member to invite at least 1 person to help fill the bus.

Tickets are \$50.00 with a rebate of \$20.00 from the Casino at Cherokee. Flyers are available. Let's make this a great success!

HELP WANTED

We are still looking for someone to volunteer to be our webmaster. We need a dynamic website to let people know who we are and what we are doing. We also need a place to pay dues and receive donations online. Website is <u>www.ccoc2016.org</u>. Contact Bobbi or Betty if interested.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Since the first Monday is a holiday, the Carolina Cardinals will hold their next meeting on Monday, **September 12th** at 8:30pm by way of a conference call. Agenda will be sent out in advance along with the dial-in information. Please mark your calendars!

September Birthdays

- 1 Felicity Wray
- 5 Jackie Williams
- 18 Camela Bell

May all of your Optimism come true!

All members who have not paid dues need to take care of this immediately. Our fiscal year ends on 9/30. Dues are **\$10.00** per month and are needed to take care of Club obligations. We are about to start a new year and we need everyone on board. Thank you.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are excited to announce that we have had a couple new members join the Carolina Cardinals Optimist Club. If you have friends or family who could benefit from being a member, by all means, invite them. The registration fee is only \$15.00 and goes directly to St. Louis to take care of administrative costs such as the background check. Below are our new members and their sponsors.

New Member Sponsor

Camela Bell - Mary Dingle Kedrick Grant Ford - Mary Dingle William "AJ" Dingle - Mary Dingle



We played games at the Convention. All you had to do was throw the ball into the chair and hope it did not roll out. Coach Slade beat everyone to win the chair. She is pictured here with Dave Bruns, Optimist International President and Grant Mallard.