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“OPTIMISTS ON THE MOVE”

The **Carolina Cardinals Optimist Club's "Tennis on the Eastside"** summer camp has been a huge success. The kids can't wait to get started each morning. The parents drop them off in the morning and they don't want to go home. The Camp provides them with their choice of a hot or cold breakfast from 8-9am and at 12 noon they get a hot lunch prepared by the Nutrition Department of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. They practice tennis from 9 until lunch. After lunch, they have quiet time where they have reading assignments given to them by our Reading Coordinator.

If you did not enroll your child, you still have a couple weeks left since the program does not end until July 22nd.

On the 2nd & 3rd days of the program, Coca Cola sent their roving truck and provided Powerade to all of the kids. They really appreciated that since it was so very hot.

Here are some pictures of our youth and coaches. See more pictures on page 3.



Opening Day picture – Students & Coaches

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Come by and visit us!



Coca Cola brought us Powerade!



Welcome by Club VP Coach Slade & Club President Betty Parker

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Carolina Cardinals will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, **July 20th** at 8:30pm by way of a Conference Call. The agenda and dial-in information will be sent to you prior to the meeting.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The next Quarterly North Carolina West District Convention will be held in Myrtle Beach the weekend of August 26th. I hope some of you will plan to attend. The golf tournament will be held on Friday for those who love to play the sport.

The hotel rooms are min-suites and can accommodate quite a few people. The rate is \$115.00/night. Share a room and split the cost.

Make it a mini vacation before school gets into full swing and bring the whole family.

There are workshops and great entertainment. The President of Optimist International, David Bruns, will be in attendance. You may want to get his autograph.

We would love to have as many people as possible from our Club attend so we can be recognized for the many things we are doing and so that you can meet people from other Clubs in our District.

We are looking at getting polo shirts with our logo on them so that we can be a unified body when we show up. Please give us your feedback regarding this. If you would prefer t-shirts instead or if you feel this is not necessary, let us know. We want your feedback.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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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.

We would like to try the trip to Harrah's Casino again. The date is **Saturday, October 1st**. Please check with friends, neighbors and your relatives to see if they would be interested in joining us for a fun-filled day.

Tickets would still be \$50.00 with a rebate of \$20.00 from the Casino at Cherokee. We would like an idea as to how many would want to attend as soon as possible before we book a bus.
Thanks.

HELP WANTED

We are 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. Contact Bobbi or Betty if interested.

“VOLUNTEERS NEEDED”

Volunteers are still needed to sign up for the street cleaning detail. For liability purposes, your name must be on the roster that we send to the State in order to participate. If you know of other groups or individuals who would like to help us, please have them contact Bobbi so we can get their names submitted. We would like to do our first clean-up in September. THANKS.

More Pictures from Our Tennis Camp



First Day Instructions



Future Tennis Player wants to join her big sister on the court

Ready to get started



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are excited to announce that we have had several 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. I am issuing a challenge for the next 4 weeks ending August 13th. We will give a prize to the person who brings in the most members. Optimist International will also recognize persons who sponsor new members. Below are our new members and their sponsors.

New Member Sponsor

Jonathan Blakeney - Coach Brown
Franklin Butler - Bobbi Hague
Daysha Riley-Dunlap - Bobbi Hague
Robert Hicks - Coach Brown
Aisha Lide - Betty Parker
Maurice Rahman - Coach Slade
Ernestine Staton - Betty Parker
Yakubu Suleiman - Bobbi Hague
Brenda Thompson - Coach Brown
Ephraim Winkfield - Coach Slade

Let's go Team!

*All members who have not paid dues need to take care of this immediately. Dues are **\$10.00** per month and are needed to take care of Club obligations. If you have not paid any dues, you currently owe \$50.00. At least \$30.00 needs to be paid by August 15th or you will be dropped. There is a \$15.00 re-instatement fee. Thank you.*
