



# JACKSONVILLE JOTTINGS

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*Mission Statement—By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities and ourselves.*

## Fireworks June 29 OH YES!

Our last meeting is Monday June 24, 8 pm Zoom. The last minute details will be finalized. Please join us. <https://jhjhm.zoom.us/j/93293894407?pwd=U2FubVILdHE5ZmNkbnR6Tk96b3FOZz09>

### Timeline

12—4 Classic Car show on Conrad's lot with *Trilogy* music and Inverness beer truck.

Brookside Market open all day for tasty meals and treats.

Jacksonville Elementary School field

6:15 pm, *That's What She Said* band

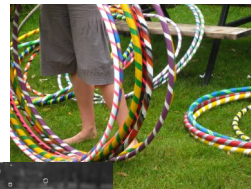
6:30 pm Children's games

Food Vendors, Boy Scouts soda, Kona Ice

Raffle ticket winner announced

9:00 pm Boy Scout Color Guard, Anthem.

Fireworks



**Happy June Birthdays!**  
**Did I miss some-one?**



## Raffle

Thank you **Mike Borowitz** for setting up three weekends of super raffle sales. Our members and Carroll Manor Rec sold on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. With raffle, cash donations, and enmo donations we made almost \$6000. Many neighbors gave extra money because they were glad the fireworks were back. We appreciate all who sold tickets in front of Safeway. No sales were done this last weekend. The raffle will be drawn for \$500 before the fireworks start.

## Upcoming Calendar Dates

Researching the dates for the Jacksonville Vol Fire Co pit beef nights

8/17 MDSO Optimist meeting in Lancaster, PA

8/31 Zone 5 meeting 11 AM Hereford

September recognition of elementary school teachers

October 1—new Optimist year begins...and dues due

October 17th???? anniversary dinner

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### **CLUB MEETINGS**

First Thursday  
of the Month  
7:00 PM  
Call to confirm.

**Meeting Site**  
**St. John's**  
**Evangelical**  
**Lutheran**  
**Church**  
**3911 Sweet**  
**Air Rd.**  
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**21131**

## **Fireworks Timeline Saturday June 29**

Our team of GJOC and CMRC have banded together to bring Jacksonville an outstanding event. Join us!

8 AM open CMRC to get supplies, take to field

Noon—4 Classic Car Show at Conrad's, Trilogy band and Inverness beer truck. Crabcakes, of course

Afternoon—field set up (stakes & caution tape, stage arrives, trash boxes arranged, first aid tent set up, thank you signs positioned)

3:00 Fireworks arrive

6:15 *That's What She Said*

6:30 Children's area—face painting, bubbles, tattoos, games

Vendors: Kona Ice, buy a soda from Troop 444

9:00 Presentation of the Flag Troop #444, Anthem, Fireworks!!!

Sunday: 8 AM field clean up (about 90 minutes if enough people)



### **2022 Fireworks!**



**Band**

### **Face Painting**



**Lots of bubbles**



**1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10  
Tattoo DONE!**



## Welcome our newest Member!

**Kelly Beninghove** is from Yukon, Oklahoma and moved to the Baldwin area in 2019. She is married to Jeff and has two daughters, Soleil (Cockeysville Middle School) & Leila (Carroll Manor Elementary School).

She is an Administrative Assistant at St. John's Lutheran Church of Blenheim and has a professional organizing business on the side. Kelly is an active member of the Carroll Manor PTA as VP of School Beautification and leads the Gardening Committee there as well as a Glen Arm Garden Club member. She is also a member of the Carroll Manor Recreation Council as a Director-at-Large, sponsor of the SEEDS Nature Summer Camp and President of the Winter Basketball program.

Kelly has also taken on a lead role in the Fireworks Committee for both CMRC and the Optimist Club as of 2024. Using her social media, fundraising, and community knowledge she has become one of Carol Applegate's go to people. We are a better committee because of Kelly's involvement.

Welcome Kelly and family with open arms. Her smile is contagious, her energy abounding, and her love for family and community is endless.

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## **HOBY Maryland 6/6-9/2024**

241 sophomores from 156 schools in Maryland attended HOBY. Towson University was our host...if you call \$70,000+ hosting. It was a wonderful weekend and I will print more pictures when I have time. The important things are that we made goal in fundraising, had no real problems (13 sophs canceled the week before...there is always a sickie, a broken bone, a forgot about vacation, a chicken out, or a hot Saturday night date). That's disappointing, but the 241 students listened to speakers on volunteerism, leadership styles, exchanged ideas, learned timelines and goal setting, discussed community projects, packed 1500 family meals for starving communities, and probably got little sleep. You know teens, you send them to bed but...  
Carol Applegate, Past President HOBY MD Trustees

