



DAVENPORT NOON OPTIMIST CLUB

"FRIEND OF YOUTH"

Friday August 11, 2023

INTRODUCTION

The meeting was called to order by our President-elect Karie Gilson and our prayer was led by Tom Reddington. Wayne announced that our flag routes are all full for the year! Also, if everything falls into place we are looking good for next year! The board is still looking for a Secretary and 2nd Vice President. Secretary is a one year board appointment taking notes and meeting minutes, as well as doing the newsletter. 2nd VP is a multiyear position where you will gradually oversee different aspects of our club as you ascend to the presidency! Brian Monroe has graciously stepped in to be our 3rd VP, thanks Brian! If you have interest in serving on the board please talk to one of our current board members. Our end of year banquet will be held Thursday Septmeber 21st at 6:00 PM at the outing club. Cocktails at 6:00 PM and dinner served at 6:30. This is a plated dinner and requires an RSVP. It is \$22 a person. Please see our website to both RSVP and pay. RSVP and payment is required by September 15th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **August 18 - As Was**
- **August 25 - Common Chord**
- **September 1 - Business Meeting**
- **September 8 - QC Open Network**
- **September 15 - Every Child**



INFORMATION

Our program today was introduced by Kathy Cox. Kathy introduced Elise from Fostering Crossroads. Fostering Crossroads is a newly founded nonprofit in our area. Elise and her husband have been fostering for 5 years, and have 11 to 12 kids through their home. Of those they have adopted 2. Elise and her husband noticed through their own journey that Scott County had a gap in resources and support for certified foster families, and post-foster adoptive families. So they founded Fostering Crossroads to provide care resources and support. They support local foster families through welcome placement bags, event/sports scholarships, resource database, and foster family events. They also provide and maintain the first mobile clothing closet dedicated foster families in Scott County. If you would like to help you can volunteer with their mobile closet, donate diapers, wipes, and new or like new clothing, monetary donations, sponsor a local foster child, or become a business partner. For more info checkout their website, www.fosteringcrossroads.com. Facebook www.facebook.com/Fosteringcrossroads, or email info@fosteringcrossroads.com

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