



# OBC BUZZ

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## 2025 Tourney Schedule

**March 22-23**  
Grand Lake

**April 12**  
Melvern Lake

**May 3-4**  
Pomme de Terre

**May 31**  
Truman Lake

**June 21**  
Lake of the Ozarks - River

**July 26**  
Mozingo Lake

**August 16**  
OBC Buddy Fundraiser - LaCygne

**September 20-21**  
Stockton Lake

**October 11-12**  
Lake of the Ozarks - Mid-Lake

**October 25**  
TBD - Tournament of Champions

## Upcoming Events

Dec 25 - Jan 1: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Feb 4- Club Meetings are the first Tues. of the month at the Olathe Deaf Club at 7:30 p.m.

Mar 4 - Club Meeting

## Club Banquet

The Olathe Bass Club held our annual club banquet on Dec. 7th to recognize members for their accomplishments throughout the year and to enjoy time with friends and family. In honor of Rick McLeod, we had a “tool time” theme and enjoyed barbeque. Tributes were paid to past members Rick and Tommy Rodgers by Pete Morrone, Paul Marsh and Wayne Byars. Rick’s wife Linda was in attendance, as well as one of Tommy’s daughters (Tracy) who both appreciated the memories that were shared.

Thanks to all the sponsors who donated to our raffles including Bass Pro Shops, Garmin, Shoreline Boat & RV Repair, KC Elite Marketing, FishWear Shop, BassTeamTackle.com, Cottage Lane Boutique, and generous donations from various club members.

Awards presented at the banquet:

- Wayne Byars: Roger Kruep Angler of the Year
- Dave Juda: Boater of the Year
- Larry Stratton: Jon Watkins Non-Boater of the Year
- Brent Grauberger: Rookie of the Year
- Team of the Year: Paul Marsh, Brent Neis, Tom Grandon, Ross Coker & Ryan Busha
- Sportsmen of the Year: Rick McLeod (posthumously) & Ross Coker
- Top Ten: Wayne Byars, Dave Juda, Pete Morrone, Vinnie Gay, Paul Marsh, Tom Grandon, Brent Grauberger, Larry Stratton, Jeff Stacy, and Dean Nelson.



# More banquet pics



# OBC helping our community!

In conjunction with the end of year banquet, Olathe Bass Club members conducted collections for 2 incredible charities that serve Olathe and all of Johnson County, KS as well.

The **1st drive** the OBC put together was a food drive for **Mission Southside**, which provides basic necessities for low income families in Johnson County. They were in need of Back-Snack items so students would have enough food while school is not in session over the holidays.

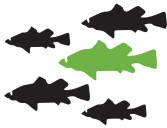
A **2nd collection** was a fund drive in support of the **Pennies for Shoes campaign**. This effort supports the **Olathe Mayor's Children's Fund** to make sure Olathe students in need have food, clothing, shoes and water during the holidays.

The Olathe Bass Club members shined on this night bringing in a **total of 486 food and drink items as well as \$310 in cash**. The cash donation surpassed 2023's total of \$270. All of the funds and collected items were happily delivered courtesy of the Olathe Bass Club and all of their big-hearted members.

A few weeks later, several OBC members served as volunteer Bell Ringers for **The Salvation Army**, outside of Bass Pro Shops in Olathe on a couple of different nights. The funds raised by generous shoppers who donated in the red kettle make a year-round impact in the community through social services assistance, homeless shelters, disaster relief, children's programs, rehabilitation services, anti-human trafficking, and more.



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