

# August

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

### Activities This Month

### Upcoming This Month

Our District Convention in August will again be looking for Club baskets for our silent auction to support the Optimist International Foundation. Now is a good time to put some thought into what your basket will look like.

(note of correction from last newsletter - the Pancake Breakfast on Sat morning is a gift of the Rochester Optimist Club and does not cost additional

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# The Indiana North District



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OPTIMIST YEAR FOCUS  
MARK WEINSCOFF  
PRESIDENT OI 2020-2021

## Fourth Quarter Focus

We are successful...Nothing is Impossible

## District News

The District Convention will be held this year in Rochester on August 13-14. The Governor's Ball has been revived with it's theme: "The Roaring Twenties". Special dress is requested but not required.

Saturday morning there will be a free pancake & sausage breakfast, courtesy of the Rochester Optimist Club.

Information has been sent to Clubs and members, so look for it.

Please return your reservations as soon as possible so that plans can be made accordingly.

LET'S LIVE OUR CREED EVERY DAY!

## Sharing My Heart by Gov. Becky

### Sharing My Heart Gov Becky Aug 2021

#### **Headline News!**

Optimist International President, Mark Weinsoff, will be our guest – **in person** – for the District Convention on Aug 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> !

The deadline for Registration for District Convention has been **extended** to August 9<sup>th</sup>!

The District Convention will be a W.O.W. Event – Welcoming community members to ‘see what we are about’! Join your fellow Optimists for a great evening of the Roarin’ 20’s!

IN North District Continues the District Stimulus, giving Clubs \$30 for each new member brought in during Q3 and Q4!

Optimist International is waving the \$15 admin charge for new members!

#### ***The Value of Growth***

Last month I spoke about the importance of growth.

It bears repeating.

Growth not only demonstrates vigor but embodies it.

To *not* be in a growth pattern is to be stagnant.

Stagnant waters are dead, unproductive, and inhibit the health of all asso

ciated with it.

Growth takes effort and intentionality. It takes thoughtfulness and determination.

*Growth is vital to the long-term survival of our organization and our Clubs.*

Strive to develop a Growth Mindset. Not only should we be on the lookout for new members, but we must intentionally work towards seeking them out.

The older NOW program (New Optimists Wanted) has been joined by W.O.W. – Welcoming Optimists

Worldwide. Whereas NOW was a more formal dinner/meeting that potential members are invited to attend, W.O.W. looks at inviting the community to see the fun, camaraderie, and OPTIMISM that we share.

People join us for our optimistic outlook, the laughter, the smiles, and the good that we do for others, particularly the youth.

We are NOT joined because someone wants another meeting to attend.

Share the Creed. Share the Joy. Share the Reason YOU are an Optimist.



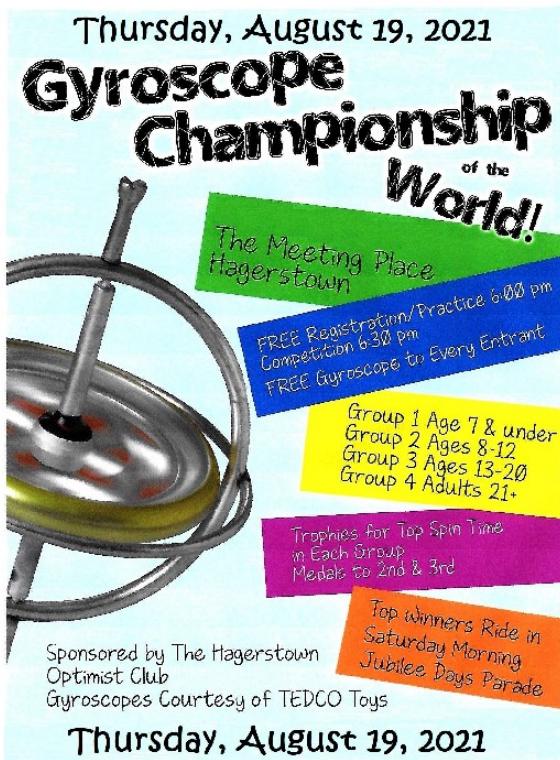
# Club Happenings



From: Warsaw Breakfast Optimist Club Check presentation to CCS for School Supplies and Backpacks



The Bluffton Optimist Club held its annual 4-H Fair Kiddie Tractor Pull to a large crowd of on-lookers. The kids were divided into different weight categories. There were 72 participants.



**The Hagerstown Optimist Club has an interesting project coming up on the 19th of August. If you are in the area, check it out. It could be a new project for your Club**



**Pictured above is the Indiana North Contingency to the Optimist International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. Pictured L to R are: PG Julie Robison, OI Board member Sandy Larivee, PG Jim Burk, Gov. Becky Mahoney, and Gov. Elect, Sandy Rogers**

**Send your Club's photos & happenings to the District News Editor.  
Jim Burk at:  
Jburk63@gmail.com**

# *Welcome Optimists Worldwide (W.O.W.)*



W.O.W. is a fresh way to increase participation and membership in your Optimist Club. With a focus on the social side of membership, W.O.W. will help your Optimist Club turn every activity, virtual or live, into a recruiting opportunity and have fun doing it!

The keys to success are:

- Create opportunities for fun, social interaction.
- Create opportunities for all ages, all types of volunteers, existing members, and potential members.
- Invite your circle of friends and reach outside your circle to the larger community.
- Be welcoming at the event.
- Take five to ten minutes to talk about your Optimist Club projects.
- At the end, ask attendees to join, right here, right now.

## **New Member Fee Waived**



Beginning June 1, the new Member Fee of \$15.00 has been waived until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Now is an excellent opportunity for people to join Optimist Clubs and see what we do and how we impact our local communities and how they can be a part of that for free!

# Optimist International Elections



## 2021-2022 International Officer Election: Results

The results are in! Congratulations to the following 2021-2022 Optimist International officers:

### 2021-2022 President-Elect:

[Bob McFadyen](#)

### 2021-2022 Board Directors at Large:

[Carol Haynes](#)

[Russ Thomas](#)

### 2021-2022 Vice Presidents-Elect:

Region 1 Northeast & Great Lakes – [Marlene Phillips](#)

Region 2 Southeast – [Gwen L. Gable](#)

Region 3 Mid-Atlantic – [Donna M. Aker](#)

Region 4 Middle America – [Julie Robison](#)

Region 5 Great Plains – [Rod McKendrick](#)

Region 6 Southwest – [Linda McDonald](#)



(our own Julie)



Indiana North District Optimist

## Roaring 20's District Convention - August 13 and 14, 2021



**EXTENDED REGISTRATION DEADLINE - AUG 9th, 2021**

**PLEASE SEE THE FULL AGENDA FOR TIME DETAILS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ PH # \_\_\_\_\_  
Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Club Office 2020-2021 \_\_\_\_\_ District Office 2020-2021 \_\_\_\_\_  
Club Office 2021-2022 \_\_\_\_\_ District Office 2021-2022 \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit a registration form for EACH CLUB MEMBER ATTENDING.**

Registration fee-In Person Or Zoom: Per Member \$10.00 Family \$15.00

Club Registration: 1-50 Members \$50; 51-75 Members \$75; 76+ Members \$100

Total Registration Fees By Zoom \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In Person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Thursday Evening Dinner for those arriving on Thursday. Meet in Quality Inn Lobby at 6 PM*

*Cost: Dutch @ Uncorked Cuban Restaurant # \_\_\_\_\_*

**Friday :**

*Ted Bryan Golf Outing - 8:30am Tee Time*

*Round Barn Golf Course, 1024 Lakeview Dr. Rochester # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30 p/p \$ \_\_\_\_\_*

*Antiques and Boutiques Shopping Meet in QI Lobby @ 9:45AM (Lunch Dutch Treat, location TBD)*

**Friday Evening: Governor's Banquet 6pm Age 5 and under free # \_\_\_\_\_**

**Age 6-**

**12 years, # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10p/p \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Age 13 & up # \_\_\_\_\_ @\$26 p/  
p \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



**Friday W.O.W. Evening: 8pm**

*Welcome Optimists Worldwide! Invite your  
friends and prospective members to*

***The IN North PROMise Yourself!***

No Charge for members plus 1 guest.

Additional non-members \$10 p/p Pay at the door.



**Saturday Convention Meetings and Training: Bring your laptops!**

**Saturday Lunch: Taco Bar**

**Age 5 and under free # \_\_\_\_\_**

**Age 6-12 years, # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10p/p \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Age 13 & up # \_\_\_\_\_ @\$17 p/p \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Don't forget to make a copy or take a picture of this registration form, for your reference.*

**Mail Registration and Check made payable to "Indiana North District"**

**TO BE RECEIVED by AUG 9th, 2021.**

Send to: Karyn Gilly, 545 Cricketeer Ct., Bluffton, In. 46714-1045 lkgilly@adamswells.com



## Indiana North District Convention

**Aug 13/14, 2021**



**Friday, Aug 13th**



**8:30am Ted Bryan Golf Outing** Round Barn Golf Course, 1024  
Lakeview Dr. Rochester

**9:45am Antiques and Boutiques Scavenger Hunt** Meet in  
Quality Inn Lobby @ 9:45AM (Lunch Dutch Treat, location TBD)

**All Meetings and meals will be held at**

The Fulton Co Historical Society and Museum  
37 E 375 N (just off N. US 31) Rochester, Indiana 46975

**4pm-5pm Lt Gov Training** Game Room  
**5pm Executive Meeting** Game Room

**6pm First Convention Session** Banquet Room **The 2020-2021 Team**

Invocation

Gov Becky

Pledge

Creed

Welcome

Gov Becky

Intro Special Guests and Past Gops

OI Pres Mark Weinsoff

Greetings from OI Rep

PG, Parliamentarian Gregg

Convention Rules

Gov Becky

Call for Nominations for Gov Elect

Close Session

**6:30pm Governor's Banquet**

Carved Roast Beef, Turkey Breast, Scalloped  
Potatoes, Fresh Grilled Vegetables & Buttered  
Corn, Cherry Cheesecake & Chocolate Cake

**8pm Roarin' 20's PROM**

Mize's DJ Service

**Open to the Public!**

Welcome Optimists Worldwide!

Go out of your way to welcome others!

**\*\*Game Room open for quieter conversations and fun\*\***

**11pm Evening ends**

**Quick clean up and prep for Sat.**



# District Events



## August 2021

Many Optimist Coffee  
Café Opportunities  
Check OI Website for  
times &  
Links



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			See page 11 for more information.			New Club Installation Peru noon-2pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



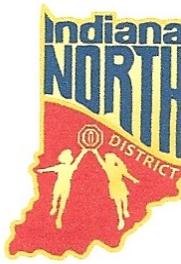
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Zone 3: Tiffany Harrell  
Zone 4: Josefa Schaper  
Zone 5: Sandy Doyle  
Zone 6: Pam Galloway  
Zone 7: Nancy Barker  
Zone 9: Jim Smith

**Optimist are:  
The Friend of Youth**

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**Every Day is an Optimist Day  
Supporting the Youth of Our Community**

## Optimist Mission

By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids.

## Optimist Vision

Optimist International will be recognized worldwide as the premier volunteer organization that values all children and helps them develop to their full potential.

**“Like us” on Face Book**

*“I am an optimist.  
It does not seem to  
much use being  
anything else”*

—Winston Churchill

## The Optimist Creed Promise Yourself:

- \* To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- \* To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.
- \* To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- \* To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- \* To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.
- \* To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.
- \* To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
- \* To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.
- \* To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.
- \* To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

**Optimism is positive thinking lighted up.**  
Norman Vincent Peale



YOU ARE INVITED to the Chartering of  
the Positively Marvelous Optimist  
Club of Miami County!  
12pm-12:30 Official Chartering  
12:30-2pm CELEBRATE with us!  
\*lunch, music, games, FUN!\*

# It's a Charter Party!

HONORING  
The Positively Marvelous  
Optimist Club

SATURDAY  
12-2 PM

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August  
2021

Whitetail Woods Event Center  
886 N Eel River Cemetery Rd, Peru, IN 46970

RSVP TO BECKY MAHONEY  
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