



**SPECIAL
POINTS
OF INTEREST**

Activities This Month

Our first District Meeting will via ZOOM only. See details on the right on how to register to attend the meeting.

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The Indiana North District



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District News

First Quarter District Meeting



You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

**When: Oct 8, @6:45 PM & Oct. 9th
@ 8:30 AM**

For the 8th: Register in advance for this meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvf u2qrjliHNAw0gWOXCVkxQvzAY3Ys8Fp>

For the 9th: You are invited to a Zoom meeting.
When: Oct 9, 2021 08:30 AM. Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYuc e6orzovH9U7phHILjUpsTTAv4haA2id>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Good morning Optimists - Bonjour les optimistes - – Hola optimists, friends and family. I'm here in St. Louis – at the Optimist International headquarters on Lindell Blvd – visiting with our Professional Staff who work very hard for you, the member. I love this time of the year - the fall season. Fall sports have taken over the network, the leaves are changing colors, the weather is a bit more brisk than days previous. There is a feeling of newness in the air. It's October 1st – Happy Optimist New Year - Bonne Année Optimiste - Feliz Año Nuevo Optimist Members, I thank you for this wonderful opportunity you have given me to serve as your 2021-2022 Optimist International President. Your passion, sincerity, and commitment of Optimism in your communities, reemphasize the belief I have that Optimist International is truly the best service Organization in the world. I want to take just a moment to thank Past President Mark Weinsoff for his outstanding leadership during this past year. The Choose Optimism year had challenges that we as Optimists had not witnessed in decades, but he or his team – did not let that stop them and created great momentum to begin this new Optimist year. I'm one of those that loves the feel of a newspaper, book, or magazine. While walking thru the grocery store a few years ago, I happened past the magazine rack – where one immediately caught my eye, The Time magazine. The cover featured the beautiful and elegant Cecily Tyson in the long flowing red dress – so that in itself was enough to make ahead turn – but **The featured article on the cover** was entitled “The Art of Optimism.” It highlighted 34 people's visions of how they see the world thru their artwork. So, I purchased the magazine. When I arrived home, I started thumbing thru the magazine, and one article jumped off the pages; it was a piece written by Oscar Winner Filmmaker Guillermo Del Toro – and he stated: *“Optimism Is radical. It is the **hard** choice, the **brave** choice. And it is most needed now, in the face of despair – Optimism is our Instinct to inhale while suffocating. Our need to declare what needs to be in the face of what is. Think about that – Such a powerful statement worth repeating, “Optimism is Our need to declare what **needs to be** in the face of **what is**. He continues – “Optimism is not uncool; it is rebellious and daring and vital.”* Powerful words were printed almost three years ago but are more relevant today than ever at that time. The 2021-2022 “Theme” for the year keeps our focus on OPTIMISM with a dedicated commitment to improve connection thru technology, increasing our brand awareness, and open up our communication to membership. This past year, 43 clubs were chartered in North America and 40 internationally. Our team is committed to keeping that momentum alive in the continuation of Promoting Optimism as we work collaboratively to reach our Growth global goal for the year of a NET +212. We have the opportunity to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the adoption of the Optimist Creed and the Optimist purposes. By being Optimists, Together - We all share in that responsibility of serving our communities - by developing a philosophy of Life, promoting our patriotism, our respect for law....and our Optimism, I want to thank each and every member for your decision **to being an Optimist** and openly invite those who are not challenges our world will cause us to face – because we have the ability to create a better world for the communities which we serve. Both myself and First Dude Ken - look forward to serving you this year, I promise to be the best that I can be....for you. I have one year as your President – and I ask that each of you join in that promise to BE Optimists, to spread optimismbecause I know that being an Optimist IS Cool, It's Brave - a bit rebellious, Daring and Vital to the future of our kids, the strength of our communities, and the growth within ourselves.

Governors Choice for A & A— 2021-2022

1st quarter- LMS officer training done by Dec. 31, 2021 – 100 points per officer

Participate in Celebrate Community Program between Oct. 10-16, 2021 receive 500 points – see OI website for details of program

2nd quarter- Conduct Tri-Star Basketball contest- 500 points

3rd Quarter – Sponsor a child in Oratorical or Essay, get 500 points per child, per event (essay or Oratorical, not per level)

4th quarter- retain 75% of original members on roster and receive 5000 points

Whole year- NOW/WOW meeting- just for conducting one -500 points

Clubs can also claim line 3 of A & A if they get 3 new members from NOW/WOW meeting

New Projects – 250 points per project, no limit (they have to be new to your club)

Sponsor a New club (any type)- 10,000 points

Commit to 2 years affiliation fee for a new Special Needs club- 2000 points

Turn in A & A report, must include both forms (Achievement & Awards form and Club Service Report form) each quarter and receive 500 extra points per quarter

Sandy's Communique'

As we embark on a new month and a new Optimist year, I would like to share my thoughts with you.

Sitting here in my happy place (on the deck of a cruise ship) soaking up some rays and relaxing. Thinking about how blessed I am in this life and how much I look forward to working with all of you this coming year.

Our main focus this year will be retention, but that doesn't mean we won't be adding members and building new clubs, but I believe we need to rejuvenate our current members and make sure they want

to remain members. Please make sure your gatherings are informative and FUN, give them a reason to come. Consider doing a new project, or spicing up an existing one to renew interest of your club

members and the community. Don't forget to make every event a WOW event, share a little about your

club, spark interest in potential members and then WOW them with your event so they see your Optimism.

The other focus will be on the vision, mission, purposes and creed, 2022 is 100 years of the adoption of

the creed, it is the reason lots of members have joined the organization, including myself.

I would like to delve into the Mission Statement of Optimist International, "By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our

communities and ourselves."

Let's start with the POSITIVE vision, it is easy to get caught up in all the negative things in this world, but

OPTIMISM is contagious, so if we stay positive and share that with others it will spread. Next let's talk about the YOUTH, to me there is nothing more beautiful than a child's smile, so whatever you do, strive

to make them happy. Our COMMUNITIES support us in many ways and we need to do the same by providing events

that benefit the whole community, but especially the kids.

Last, but not least, OURSELVES, we are not in this organization for buttons, badges, pins, or awards but for how we feel when we see the kids succeed and smile.

Let's also talk about the Optimist Vision Statement: "Optimist International will be recognized worldwide as the premier volunteer organization that values all children and helps them develop to their full potential." Simply put, use the Club, District and International logos created by Optimist

International on all correspondences, give away items and apparel, the logos are available free of charge at Optimist International.org.

Keep these things in mind when planning events, use the logos and let your OPTIMISM show,

Sandy Rogers, Governor '21-22



Club Happenings



Warsaw Breakfast donates
\$2,500 to Cardinal Center

Want to see your Club's activities in the District News Letter? Email information to Jim.

Send your Club's photos & happenings to the District News Editor.
Jim Burk at:
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CONFERENCE DATES FOR OPTIMIST YEAR 2021-2022

IN North Dates

2021-2022 Year

First Quarter Conference

October 8th & 9th at the

Via ZOOM only

Second Quarter Conference

January 28th & 29th-Virtual

Third Quarter Conference

April 29th & 30th at Portland

Holiday Inn

Jaylo Events Center

Oratorical Finals

Fourth Quarter Convention

August 5th and 6th

Middlebury



*Sandy's Logo for her
year as Governor of
the Indiana North
District.*



**Sandy Rogers, Governor
of Indiana North District
of Optimist International
for Optimist year 2021-
2022**

Governor Chats (aka Muster Drills)

Inbox



Sandy Rogers

Happy New Optimist Year,

I look forward to working with each of you this year, any questions or concerns, please let me know, we are all in this together. Believe me, I will be asking you questions throughout the year.

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Beginning Oct. 1 the new password for accessing the roster will be Opt!m!st21

A Muster Drill on a cruise ship is where you get safety information, this chat time is a safe place to share thoughts and feelings, so I am calling it a Muster Drill.

I would like to continue the monthly Governor chats that Past Governor Becky started, it is a time to ask questions, address concerns, network with other chairs and/or just visit. Please join when you can, even if you are not able to stay for the whole hour.

This is a recurring link, so save it and use it each month:

Sandy Rogers is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Muster Drill

Time: Oct 16, 2021 01:00 PM Indiana (East)

Every month on the Third Sat, until Sep 17, 2022, 12 occurrence(s)

Oct 16, 2021 01:00 PM

Nov 20, 2021 01:00 PM

Dec 18, 2021 01:00 PM

Jan 15, 2022 01:00 PM

Feb 19, 2022 01:00 PM

Mar 19, 2022 01:00 PM

Apr 16, 2022 01:00 PM

May 21, 2022 01:00 PM

Jun 18, 2022 01:00 PM

Jul 16, 2022 01:00 PM

Aug 20, 2022 01:00 PM

Sep 17, 2022 01:00 PM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZcudO6orjsvHdWmmb5rPx5BH44QoNceqSIE/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrrTgtGtSVtR6GRpwqA4jCKPTziGJYgqdqkRLnVjJelbUhrYWA71RE93B>

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83337000571?pwd=bndYWDV4a29mbkdmRXVubkVWSjlJZz09>



2021-2022 DUES & FEES

ALL STATED US FUNDS

PROCESSING FEE FOR NEW MEMBERS

For each new Member added to the Club roster and reported to the International Office on the Club Roster Adjustments form, submit the \$15.00 Processing Fee for regular Members and \$5.00 for college Members. When listing more than one new Member, a check for the total amount of fees required must be enclosed and marked "Processing Fees". If a former Member of any Optimist Club joins the former Club or any other Optimist Club, within one year of being deleted, this addition to the Club roster should be handled in the same manner as if the Member were a new Member. The same procedure is to be used as in the above paragraph. A \$5.00 Processing Fee is necessary to add any transfer Member to the International Office records. Any former Member who is a fully paid Life Member should be so identified on the Club Roster Adjustments form.

INTERNATIONAL DUES

The Bylaws of Optimist International provide that each Member Club, except College Clubs (see below-College Club Billing Cycle), shall pay dues quarterly each year - October 1; January 1; April 1; July 1. Optimist International's dues structure for Clubs is based on the designation of the United Nations and categorized into either developed or developing countries and is assigned the dues structure accordingly. NOTE: Canadian Clubs will be billed in Canadian dollars with the exchange rate cap determined by the International Board of Directors.

Exchange rate cap for 2021-2022 is 1.33

REGULAR ADULT MEMBERS

Country Classification:	Developed	Developing
Yearly	\$67.58	\$35.15
Semiannual	\$33.79	\$17.58
Quarterly	\$16.90	\$8.79

COLLEGE MEMBERS (USD) Any Optimist Member who is enrolled as a full-time college student (minimum of 12 credit hours) is eligible to have their annual dues reduced. College Members in Regular Clubs pay:

*COLLEGE CLUB MEMBERS BILLING CYCLE

Any Optimist Club that consists of a majority of College Members will be billed once per year on October 1st. They will be billed a \$100 Affiliation Fee and \$10 per College Member. Regular Adult Members still pay full current dues rate.

Country Classification:	Developed	Developing
Yearly	\$23.47	\$14.35
Semiannual	\$11.74	\$7.18

FULLY PAID LIFE MEMBERS (USD)

Immediately following complete payment of the \$500.00 Life Membership subscription, a Member will begin paying Life Member dues of \$26.00.

Country Classification:	Developed	Developing
Yearly	\$26.00	\$26.00
Semiannual	\$13.00	\$13.00
Quarterly	\$6.50	\$6.50

Effective October 1, 2021

All Fees in US Dollars

District Events



October 2021

There are many Optimist Coffee Café Opportunities. Check OI Website for times & Links



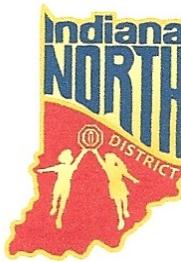
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					1st Quarter District will be via ZOOM only (8th & 9th)	
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Muster Drills
3rd Sat. of Mo



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 Zone 7: Nancy Barker
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 The Friend of Youth**

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 Book**

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

—Winston Churchill

**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.

Purposes of an Optimist Club

- To Develop optimism as a philosophy of life, utilizing the tenets of the Optimist Creed;
- To promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs;
- To inspire respect for the law;
- To promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people;
- To aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of human kind, community life and the world.

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