



SPECIAL
POINTS
OF INTEREST

Activities This Month

Promote our Scholarship Contests. See page 4 for more information.

Upcoming Events

The Essay and Oratorical Chairs will be sending out information soon regarding the scholarship contest details.

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The Indiana North District



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District News

Our upcoming 2nd Quarter meeting to be held on January 28-29 will be via ZOOM. This will eliminate the issue of inclement weather, which is possible at that time, by interfering with our plans.



Gov Chats reminder for 2021-2022

Sandy Rogers is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Muster Drill

Time: Nov 20, 2021 01:00 PM Indiana (East)

Every month on the Third Sat, until Sep 17, 2022

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

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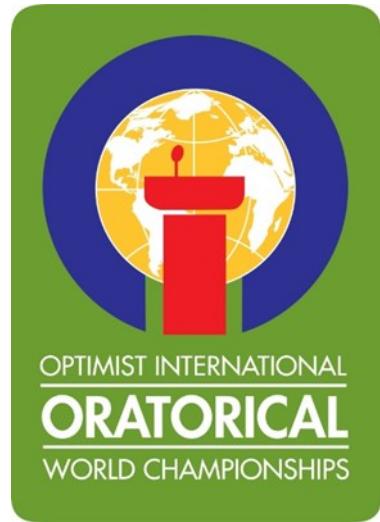
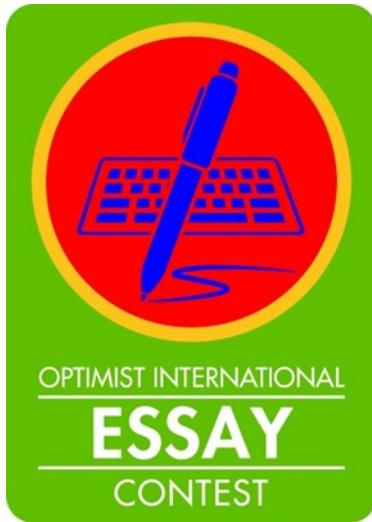
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Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZcudO6orjsvHdWmmb5rPx5BH44QoNceqSIE/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrrTgtGtSVtR6GRpwqA4jCKPTziGJYgqdqkRLnVjJelbUHrYWA71RE93B>



The Essay Contest is sponsored by Optimist International to give young people the opportunity to write about their own opinions regarding the world in which they live. The approach can encompass a young person's personal experience, the experience of their country or a more historical perspective. In addition to developing skills for written expression, participants also have the opportunity to win a college scholarship! Club winners advance to the District contest to compete for a \$2,500 college scholarship. The District-level scholarships are funded by the Optimist International Foundations.

The Optimist Oratorical Contest gives youngsters the chance to speak to the world. More than \$150,000 in college scholarships funded by the Optimist International Foundations is awarded annually from this program.

First conducted in 1928, this is the second most popular Optimist International Program. Nearly 2,000 clubs participate in this program each year. The winners at the Club level receive medallions and Zone winners receive a plaque. Districts have the opportunity to provide a first place scholarship of \$2,500, a second place scholarship of \$1,500, and a third place scholarship of \$1,000.

Now is the time to get involved with these scholarship contests. Check the Optimist International website for full details on how to run a contest.

Sandy's Communique'

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! I am getting into the Holiday spirit; planning parties, decorating, enjoying driving around to look at all the pretty lights and decorations, and of course spending time with family. This month I would like to talk about the first tenant of our creed; **"To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind"**. WOW, this can be a challenge sometimes as life and the struggles of our world get in the way of staying calm and peaceful. I believe if you recite the creed daily and do your best to live it, it will improve your life and your happiness. We can't always be happy go lucky and never experience troubles, but being Optimistic is the best way I know to be the person I want to be. Remember to not just recite the creed but to really let your Optimism show when reading it. We have the opportunity to share Optimism with others and I can't think of a greater gift than that, so ask someone to join your club and spread the joy.

I would like to remind clubs to



check in with your schools about the progress of essay's, it is not too early to be working on this, your club's winning essay is due to Essay Chair- Susie Delay by Feb. 28th, no need to wait until the deadline though.

I would like to extend my heartfelt wish to each of you for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year, both in your personal and Optimist life.

Club Video submissions:

Each club can turn in one video that is 3-5 minutes each quarter, they will be shown at District

Conference and then placed on our web-site.

Each club that submits one that meets the requirements (time limit) will receive \$25.00 for the club. If they submit more than one per quarter, they will only be paid for one per.

(If they are too long, they will not be shown or put on website)

**A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!**

Sandy

Club Happenings



The Lafayette Noon Optimist Club held a food drive to donate food to the Lafayette Urban Ministry Food Pantry, and are selling Christmas trees as a fund raiser.

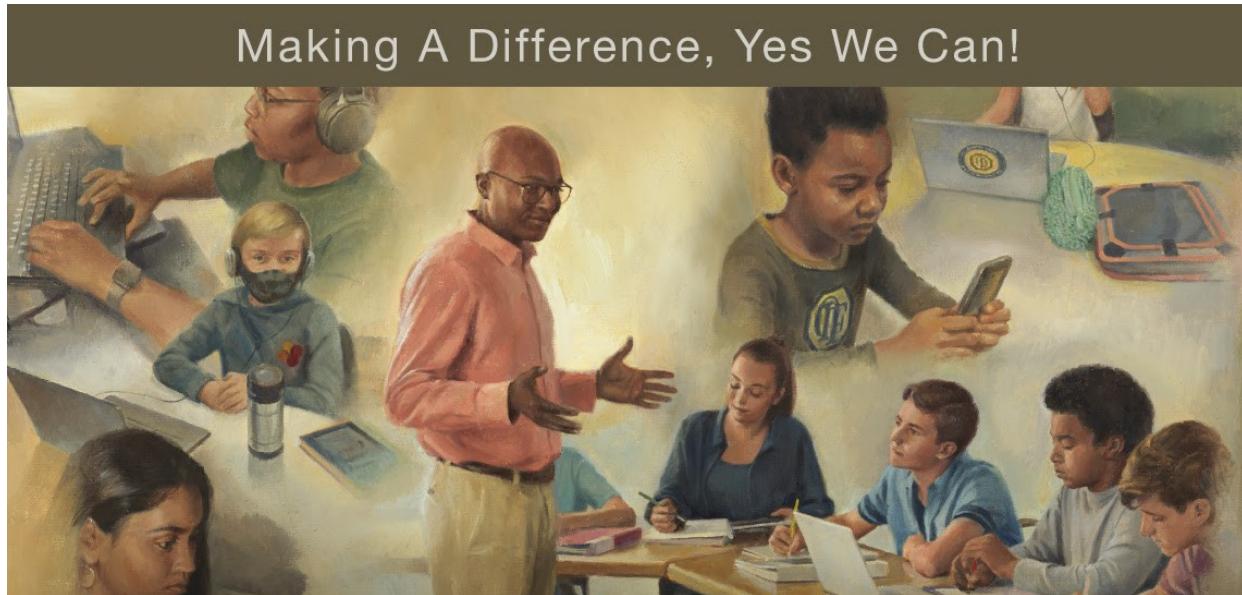


A large contingency of "Opti-Elves" from the Decatur Club descended on Wal-Mart and shopped for 10 kids. The recipients were from the Lists given to us from the Love INC Emmanuel Project.



The Indiana North District's Optimist International Foundation Chair achieved Distinguished Level, Congratulations to Ailesia Franklin, our "Distinguished" DFR.

"One hundred years from now it will not matter what kind of house you lived in, how much money you had, nor what your clothes looked like, but the world may be a little better because you made a difference in the life of a child."



2021 - 2022 Optimist International Foundation President's Theme Print

**Send your Club's photos & happenings to the District News Editor.
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District Events



December 2021

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

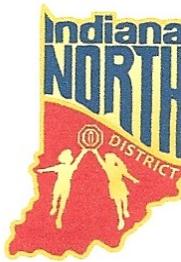


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		 NATIONAL PEARL HARBOR Remembrance Day				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	 First day of Winter	21	22	23	24
26	27	28	29	30	31	



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**Optimists are:
 The Friend of Youth**

**"Like us"
 on Face
 Book**

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

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

—Winston Churchill

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