Club members, Jr. Optimist leaders and District Officers are bcc'd this note.

Farmington/Farmington Hills Sunnyside Newsletter

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club #17150

Celebrating 40 Years - May, 2023

Our Mission: By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.

No Meeting this Wednesday

Enjoy planning for your Memorial Weekend! Our next club meeting will be Wednesday, June 15.

See you at Farmington Farmers Market

This Saturday, May 21 from 8:00 am to 2:00 am. See attached map of the market.

Thanks to Ken Massey for Farmington SAFE program

We thank Ken for his presentation of the Farmington SAFE program this past Wednesday meeting. In these challenging times for our youth and all of us, stress has elevated suicides. His presentation told how he and others in our communities founded SAFE to address this issue in 2010. He then told us of his tragic notice in 2012 when he received notice of his stepsons' suicide. He and his wife took this terrible news and decided to create a memorial fund devoted to the Farmington SAFE cause.

Did You Know...

Do you know of any friends who have survived cancer? If so, you might want to recommend they join a special program called LIVESTRONG offered by our local Farmington Family YMCA. I have heard firsthand about the success from survivors who enrolled in the program and are thriving today. Our club

member, Doug Edwards, Executive Director of the Y will gladly connect your friend with Rebecca Baizas, Fitness Experience Director who can discuss LIVESTRONG in further details - *Editor*

The 3rd Quarter District Conference was Held this Weekend

- We had four members attending: Tom Neal, Roxanne Fitzpatrick, Don Munter, Lisa Bracher (Lisa was a first timer!)
- Theme was Cultivate Optimism, had a business meeting and featured the winners of the scholarship contests.
- Our club was recognized:
 - Banner Patches Benefactor of OI Foundation + 365
 Patch for donation 2021-2022
 - Received Membership Incentive Award for adding 7 new members in 2nd Quarter which gave us a free Friend of Optimist member certificate.
- Scholarship Winners:
 - Essay 3 winners read their essays on video
 - Oratorical
 - \$246,000 Nationally was awarded scholarships by OI Foundation for Oratorical winners.
 - 85 kids competed from 20 clubs
 - Topic: "Staying Optimistic in Challenging Times"
 - Competition included separate one for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3 contestants)
 - Oratorical District (6 contestants)
 - Amazing and inspirational listening to them!
- District Optimist Jr. Golf has partnered with Top 50 Junior Golf Tour organization to run tournament. Tournament will be at Twin Lakes Golf Club June 13-14.

Childhood Health and Wellness

This is a District (State-wide) project which provides support for fighting childhood cancer or other diseases. Our member, Roxanne Fitzpatrick, has taken on the role of leading our District (State) in raising funds for this worthy cause. You can help by joining her to help with the walk **Saturday, May 21 in Farmington**. See the attached flyer for details or contact

Roxanne (<u>rfitz@kw.com</u>). At the same time, we will host a table in the Farmington Farmers Market.

Optimist Table at Farmington Farmers Market May 21

We will have a table at the market to promote our optimism and welcome potential new members. We have two shifts: 8 am to 11 am and 11 am to 2 pm. Sign up with Tom Neal and let your optimism bloom.

New Fun Club Social July 20

Andrea Fields and Terry Tipton volunteered to work with Tom in the planning for our first Cornhole Bag Tossing social. We need to find a place to host this as an evening fun time. Share your ideas with Andrea and Terry.

Junior Optimist Report - Total Members 240 Current List of FFH JOI Clubs

Elementary Schools:		Middle Schools:	
Beechview	57	East	5
Forest	20	Power	5
Gill	80	Warner	8
Hillside	11	High Schools	5:
Lanigan	15	Farmington	11
Longacre	17	North Farm.	11

May Birthdays:

23 - Lincoln Avery

June Birthdays:

02 – Jill O'Hara

Website: f2hoptimists.org

Facebook: Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club (Thanks to Andrea Fields who continues posting positive notes to our Facebook page.)

Calendar

May 18 Gary Mekjian, FH City Manager Presents City Update

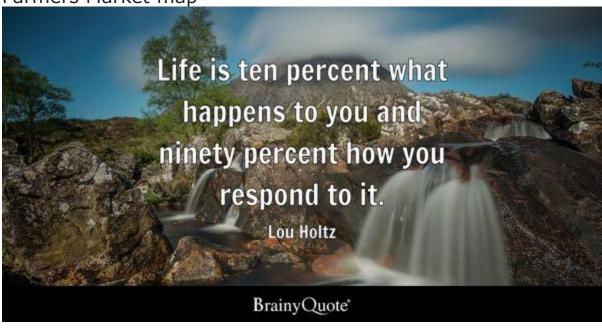
May 21 Childhood Health & Wellness Walk + Farmers Market
May 25 No meeting
June 1 No Meeting
June 8 Board of Directors Meeting
June 15 Club Business Meeting
June 22 Club Meeting, Chris Reed, Nissan

June 29 Club Meeting

July 16 Founders Day Parade

Attachments:

Newsletter PDF CHW Walk 2022 PDF Farmers Market map



MICHIGAN OPTIMISTS

WALK FOR CHILDHOOD HEALTH & WELLNESS 1 MILE FAMILY FRIENDLY WALK

HOSTED BY THE FARMINGTON/ FARMINGTON HILLS OPTIMIST CLUB

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

REGISTRATION STARTS AT 8:30 AM

WALK BEGINS AT 10:00 AM

Gather at parking lot behind Joe's Headquarters

23603 Farmington Rd, Farmington





Cost: \$25 per walker or \$50 per family of 4+ T-shirts available- \$10 (Order when registering online)

Click on links below or scan QR code

Registration: https://michiganoptimists.org/events/2022-walk-for-childhood-health-wellness/

Tee Shirt: https://michiganoptimists.org/product/chw-walk-2022-t-shirt/

Corporate, club and individual sponsorships, & donations welcomed. **Advertising on signage!**

Sponsor/Donate: https://michiganoptimists.org/product/chw-walk-2022-sponsorship/

Scan QR code for registration, tee shirt purchase, sponsorships and all details.



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PROCEEDS BENEFIT MICHIGAN OPTIMIST
CHILDHOOD HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAMS



Saturday, May 21st, 2022

30 Market Vendors Plus Special Guests:

- Greater Farmington Area
 Chamber of Commerce Health
 Fair with 15 vendors on Market
 Place St.
- The Oscar Mayer Weinermobile!
- Live Enterainment with Mark
 Reitenga, 10 am 2 pm
- Farmington Elks grilling Oscar
 Mayer Weiner Hot Dogs in Riley
 Park
- Welcome Essential Family Chiropractic
- Welcome MSU Oakland County
- Welcome Optimists
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1	Goetz Farm & Greenhouse	
2	The Green Cup	
3	Triple B Honey	
4	Pure Mackinac Fish	
5	Uncle Calvins Sweet Potato Pies	
6	Old World Olive Oil	
7	Fusilier Farms	
8	Market Merch	
9	Market Info	
10	Italian Cooks	
11	Mama Rita	
12	Mama Rita	
14	Springbrook	
15	FEEL LLC	. (//
16	MSU Oakland County	<u> </u>
17	Beaverland Farms	\
18	UP Pasties	
19	Nothing Bundt Cakes	. 1//
20	Great Lakes Pot Pies	
21	Strap and Stone	
24	Ground Control Coffee Roasters	12
25	Drench	1/2
26	Aritsun	
27	James Creek	
28	Golden Wheat	
29	Rose Best	
30	Taurus Trading	
31	Wright Designs	
32	Essential Family	
33	Optimists	
34	SMART	_ / 1
35	Xiongs Asian Produce	
37	Treat the Dog	
39	Petevs Donuts	