

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

# Sunnyside Newsletter Nov. 20, 2023

Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

*"We provide hope and a positive vision, as we bring out the best in our youth, our communities, and ourselves."*

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***Making a Difference, Today!***

**\*\*\*Have a Happy Thanksgiving this Week\*\*\***

## **Come to Wednesday Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Breakfast Meeting**

Our speaker will be **Jeff Ely** who hiked the Pacific Crest Trail. See you at 7:30am for some social time before the meeting gets started.

## **Hillside Jr. Optimist Meeting**

Check out the pictures below of the Hillside Jr. Optimist meeting led by Hillside staff member, Susan Riggs.

## **Like or Comment on Our Facebook Page**

Alvin requests we invite our readers/members to like, comment, and share our Facebook page. This is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/FarmingtonFarmingtonHillsOptimistClub/> which is direct to our page.

## **District Scholarship and Program Chairs 2023/2024**

- *Essay contest*; Sherry Regiani
  - Topic: "Optimism: How it Connects Us"
  - Our chair: Anna Durham
- *Oratorical contest*;
  - Topic: "How to Change the World with Optimism"
  - Our co-chairs: Jill O'Hara & Linda Hufford

## **Club Member and Friends Joys and Concerns**

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- ❖ We keep in our prayers **Jim Walker** who is home and healing from surgery with injuries from agent orange exposure while in service in Vietnam.
- ❖ Pray for **Richard Burrous' daughter**, Carrie Zenesky, who had major abdominal surgery. Hope she has a good recovery.
- ❖ **Thomas Lichtenberg**, our most consistent and loyal oratorical contestant, is dealing with Stage IVB Lymphoma. He is undergoing chemo (he has had 2 of 12 monthly infusions) and has dropped out of law school at Penn State for a year while he undergoes treatment. Keep him in your prayers. – Bruce Fowler
- ❖ *If you have joys or concerns to share with the club, please let Editor Tom know.*

### Optimist International Foundation

What better way to help our students experience progress and to prosper through programs provided by our area Optimist Clubs! The Foundation is an excellent way to help get the action going, providing support for scholarships, programs and activities for youth. A great first step for each and every Optimist club member is to commit to the Dime-A-Day program – a simple \$36.50 a year donation to the Foundation provides great support in many ways. Surely you can afford a Dime A Day for the kids!

**Website:** [f2hoptimists.org](http://f2hoptimists.org) [new members can join on front page of website.]

**Facebook:** Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

### Calendar

|         |                                                |
|---------|------------------------------------------------|
| Nov 23  | <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING!</b>                     |
| Nov 29* | Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail, Jeff Ely       |
| Dec 2   | Holiday Parade in Downtown Farmington          |
| Dec 6   | Board Meeting via Zoom                         |
| Dec 9   | Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Kroger on 11 Mile |
| Dec 13  | Holiday Breakfast Meeting, 8am @ FHS           |
| Feb 14  | Essay Awards program                           |

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\* 7:30am-8:30am at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington.

### **Birthdays**

**November**

21 – Susan Walker

### **Attachments:**

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Dime-A-Day Application

The **Hillside Jr. Optimist Club** made pet blankets at their last meeting for Almost Home Animal Rescue. Almost Home is a foster-based, non-profit organization dedicated to finding loving, forever homes for homeless animals.

We had a representative from the shelter come and talk to the club members about the rescue's mission and different ways to help the homeless animals.

- Susan Riggs





# Dime-A-Day

**O**ptimist International and Optimist International Foundation coexist as two separate organizations that support each other. Optimist International Foundation is the fundraising arm of Optimist International, and works to develop funds to support the endeavors of Optimist International and its mission.

When Members and Clubs make a contribution to support Optimist International Foundation, they are, with that gift, supporting Optimist International itself and themselves as a Club as well.

With just one dime a day, you can become part of the movement of "Helping Optimists Help Kids" and become part of a large group of Foundation supporters who realize what a difference they make every day in the lives of children.

Would you consider making a gift of just a dime a day to assist the charitable work of Optimist International?

The Dime-A-Day level is reached by a contribution of \$36.50 to the Foundation within one Optimist Year, and is recognized by the presentation of a pin.

Building a future where every kid counts  
Can you spare a **dime a day?**

Sign me up! Please accept my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ donation. *(Enclose check, payable to Optimist International Foundation, referencing "Dime-A-Day" in the memo section.)*

Sign me up! Please accept my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ donation. Charge my  MC  Visa  Discover  American Express

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Sign me up! Please deduct \$3.05 per month from my checking account.

Checking account number: \_\_\_\_\_ *(Please include a copy of a voided check)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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