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

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Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club "<u>We provide hope and a positive vision</u>, as we bring out the best in our youth, our communities, and ourselves."

### Holidays Greetings & Happy New Year

#### This Wednesday We Get to Hear the FHS Choir!

This last meeting of the year, we will go to Farmington High School at 8:00am (After school has started.) to hear the FHS Chorus serenade us with Holiday Music. Come in the East entrance to the high school.

#### FFH Board Meeting Highlights 12/6/23

- Financial Report shows we have a healthy balance
- SNOW/INCLEMENT WEATHER MEETING POLICY: Current Club policy is if the schools are closed, there is NO IN-PERSON MEETING: If schools are closed, Tom Neal will email members with link for zoom meeting that will replace the inperson meeting.
- Added two new members this month: Brian Moore and MarySue Munter.
- Essay Contest Dan Mosher has contacted the principals about the contest. We still need judges for the contest, contact Anna Durham (email: adurham@fhgov.com).
- Oratorical Contest is scheduled for March 13
- New Member Orientation zoom is scheduled for Jan. 17
- 2nd Quarter District Zoom Conference Feb. 3
- Need Chair and committee members for Leadership Awards
- Jr. Optimists:
  - o 204 students signed up, will add 8 clubs to national registry in January.
  - o Dec. 9 Salvation Army Bell Ringing, use SignUpGenius
  - o Will launch Video Contest for Middle & High School JOIs in January with winner declared in May.

o Jan. 21 Team Building Event at Costick 2:00pm

#### Like or Comment on FFH Optimist Facebook Page

Alvin requests we invite our readers/members to like, comment, and share our Facebook page. This is the link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/FarmingtonFarmingtonHillsOptimistCl</u> <u>ub/</u> which is direct to our page. **Like, Comment, and Share** with your friends. If you haven't visited our website lately, give it a look and let editor know what you think.

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

✤ Prayers for Jim Walker as he heals from his surgery.

If you have joys or concerns to share with the club, please let Editor Tom know.

#### **FPS Jr. Optimists**

Registration through 12/1/23: Total 204

| Farmington HS | 28 | North Farmington HS | 21 |
|---------------|----|---------------------|----|
| Power MS      | 8  | Beechview           | 47 |
| STEAM Academy | 8  | Hillside            | 8  |
| Gill ES       | 27 | Forest              | 5  |
| Warner        | 1  | Longacre            | 26 |
| Lanigan       | 21 | East                | 4  |

#### **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[new members can join on front page ofwebsite.]Contact Club President, Alvin Lynn: lynnalvin256@gmail.comsuggestions.Facebook:Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

#### Calendar

| Dec   | 13  | Holiday Breakfast Meeting, 8am @ FHS Chorus       |  |  |  |
|---|-----|---|--|--|--|
| Jan   | 3   | Board Meeting via Zoom                            |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 10* | Business Meeting                                  |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 17* | DTE Speaker: Ann-Marie Morris                     |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 17  | New Member Orientation                            |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 21  | Jr. Optimist Team Building @ Costick Gym          |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 24* | TBD   |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 31* | TBD   |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 1   | National Optimist Day, Post online to celebrate!! |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 7   | Board Meeting via Zoom                            |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 14* | Essay Awards program                              |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 21* | Business Meeting                                  |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 28* | TBD   |  |  |  |
| * 7:30am-8:30am at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington. |     |   |  |  |  |

#### **Birthdays**

#### December

- 11 Joyce Hagen
- 12 Sara Bowman
- 18 Triman Jagdev
- 22 Roxanne Fitzpatrick
- 25 Richard Lerner
- 30 TR Carr
- 31 Linda Hufford

#### Attachments:

Newsletter PDF Dime-A-Day Application

#### Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club



### **Bell Ringing with Jr. Optimists**



Here are a few pictures from the last meeting at **Power Middle School**. Students worked on their speeches. Followed by voting.









#### Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club



Longacre JO Club meeting last Wednesday. 19 attended. They made ornaments to be delivered to residents of Beaumont Commons.





**BE SO HAPPY** THAT WHEN **OTHERS LOOK** AT YOU, THEY BECOME HAPPY TOO!

**OPTIMIST.ORG** 



# FOUNDATIONAL

# Dime-A-Day

Optimist 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,<br>referencing "Dime-A-Day" in the memo section.) |                   |                |                             |  |  |  |
|--|---|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Sign me up! Please accept my \$            | donation. Charge my   | □ <sub>MC</sub> □ | Visa Discover  | American Express            |  |  |  |
| Account #                                  | Exp/ Signature: _   |                   |                | Security Code               |  |  |  |
| Sign me up! Please deduct \$3.05 per r     | month from my checking acco   | unt.              |                |                             |  |  |  |
| Checking account number:                   |   |                   | (Please includ | le a copy of a voided check |  |  |  |
| Name                                       |   | Email             |                |                             |  |  |  |
| Club Number                                | Member Numi   | per               |                |                             |  |  |  |
| Address                                    |   |                   |                |                             |  |  |  |
| City                                       | StateZIP  |                   |                |                             |  |  |  |
| Please return to: Optimist International F |   |                   |                | • St Louis MO 63195         |  |  |  |