

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

Farmington/Farmington Hills Sunnyside Newsletter

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### **"SUCCEEDING WITH HEART OF OPTIMISM"**

#### **Our next meeting is January 25 at 7:30 am**

Our speaker is Trooper Mark Pheeny from our Michigan State Police. Come learn about the life and times of a trooper who is also the son of Phyllis Pheeny. Should be very interesting! Also at the meeting, if you haven't ordered a shirt yet, select a size and order after the meeting. Below is cost per shirt:

- With embroidered logo on left chest:
- S-XL = \$29.00 each
- 2XL = \$31.00 each
- 3XL = \$34.00 each
- 4XL = \$36.00 each
- Plus tax.

#### **How to Create a Vision for Your Life**

This YouTube video encapsulates what I do every January as I plan for the year. Take 5 minutes to give it a viewing.

YouTube video (5:45) personal vision <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nkrW3OgB9K0>

- Editor

#### **New Member Orientation Weds. Evening, Feb. 1, 6:30pm**

This is a great time to have a friend or acquaintance attend to learn about our club activities and mission. After the end of the orientation, they can join club right away on our website. See attached invite for zoom link.

#### **Childhood Health and Wellness Fundraiser Feb. 8**

This dinner is at The Pines Restaurant in the Farmington Hills Golf Course. It is a wine pairing with each dinner course. There will be special non-alcoholic punch, too. The purpose is to raise funds for the District Health & Wellness fund which provides scholarships to kids.

### **Essay Contest Report**

Anna Durham reports that by the deadline she accepted 20 essays, 10 were Middle School and 10 were High School. Unfortunately, 2 others arrived past the due date and were not accepted.

### **Save Date for District 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Conference on Zoom**

Save the date of **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** for the virtual gathering of Optimists for all over our great state. You can start at 8:30am with a coffee & chat time to meet other optimists. There will be 3 breakout sessions to discuss ways we can learn and do things for our community and our selves. Consider joining fellow Optimists for a viewing party! More information will be available in future Sunnyside newsletters.

### **Website:**

**f2hoptimists.org**

### **Facebook:**

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

### **Calendar**

*Meetings at Farmington Presbyterian Church, unless otherwise noted*

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| January 25 | Speaker: Mark Pheaney, Michigan State Trooper               |
| Feb. 1     | Board of Directors Meeting by Zoom                          |
| Feb. 1     | New Member Orientation via Zoom 6:30pm                      |
| Feb. 2     | National Optimist Day                                       |
| Feb. 8     | Essay Winners                                               |
| Feb. 8     | Childhood H & W Fundraiser at The Pines                     |
| Feb. 15    | Club Business Meeting                                       |
| Feb. 18    | Virtual District Meeting via Zoom                           |
| Feb. 22    | Marsha Koet, FH Commission on Aging                         |
| Mar. 1     | Board of Directors Meeting by Zoom                          |
| Mar. 8     | Club Business Meeting (Chair Yoga 1 <sup>st</sup> 15 mins.) |
| Mar. 15    | TBD                                                         |
| Mar. 18    | Oratorical Contest at CARES, 10:00am                        |

Mar. 21            National Rosie the Riveter Day  
Mar. 22            TBD  
Mar. 26            Miss Farmington Chili Cookoff, Cowleys 1-4pm  
Mar. 29            TBD  
May 11            40<sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary Celebration at The Pines

## **Birthdays**

### **January**

30 – Joanne Wiegand

**February** (*We need to recruit more members with Feb. birthdays!*)

09 – Diane Bauman

### **March**

05 – Diane Eklov

11 – Anna Durham

19 – Gary Mekjian

21 – Jim Walker

23 – Steve Vercellino

29 – Doug Edwards

## **Attachments:**

Newsletter PDF

Orientation Invite PDF

CWH Wine and Dine flyer



## Longacre Jr. Optimists

The kids made hanging ornaments to give to **Meals on Wheels** for the recipients to hang in their sunny windows (to simulate stained glass). A good project but messy to clean up.

Here are the Longacre kids: 15 total, 12 girls & 3 boys. In the group photo, the boy in the back in the blue shirt (Alex) is an alum who is just helping out. He attends Power now. Also, Parent Leader Angel's daughter Viktoria and her friend Grace (not in photo) are also alums helping out.



Few things in the world  
are more powerful than a  
positive push. A smile. A  
world of optimism and  
hope. A 'you can do it'  
when things are tough.

Richard M. DeVos

BrainyQuote®

## **New Members Welcome!**

Please join us for our New Member Orientation Wednesday, February 1 at 6:30pm via zoom. Here are the details:

**When:** Wednesday Evening 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

**How:** Zoom call hosted are Tom and Cathy Neal  
Here is the link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84354827016>

**Who:** New members and potential new members plus spouses are invited to join the zoom session.

**Purpose:** To socialize and learn about optimism and our club's activities here in the cities. How can you help make this a better world?

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

***Did you know that people who are optimistic live a longer and healthier life?***





**VALENTINES DAY FUNDRAISER FOR**  
**OPTIMIST CHILDHOOD HEALTH &**  
**WELLNESS!**

**Join us at The Pines Restaurant**

**37777 11 Mile Ct., Farmington Hills (At the Farmington Hills golf course)**  
**Wednesday, Feb 8, 2023, | 7:00-9:30 p.m.**

**Serving a 4-course spectacular dinner paired with wines from Vintner's Winery- located in Canton.**

**Cost is: \$100 per person**

**Proceeds going to fund grants for local Optimist clubs under CHW.**

**Secure your table by Feb 2, 2023**

**Please include form with your check payable to: Michigan District Optimist**

**Mail to: Roxanne Fitzpatrick**

**30255 Fiddlers Green, FH. Mi 48334**

**Questions: 248-470-3584**

**Or send form to [rfitz@kw.com](mailto:rfitz@kw.com) and Venmo money to @Roxanne-Fitzpatrick**



**Asking all clubs to put together a raffle basket- to be raffled off that night!**  
**Entertainment, good food and wine, 50/50 raffle and sharing time with friends!!**

VALENTINES DAY WINE & DINE DINNER

**February 8, 2023** | The Pines Restaurant - 37777 11 Mile Ct.,  
Farmington Hills | **\$100 per person**

| Name(s) | Email | Dietary Restrictions | Non-Alcoholic Drinks |
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# of people together: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment:**

Check: \_\_\_\_\_

Venmo: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for reserving tables: February 2, 2023**