

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

# Sunnyside Newsletter Jan. 29, 2024

## 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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# Cancer Survivors Live Strong

## Next Week's Meeting Features YMCA Livestrong Program

Rebecca Baizas, YMCA Assoc. Dir., will describe this excellent program that helps Cancer Survivors rehabilitate their lives. Will the weather will be better so we can enjoy each other's company in person at the church? See you at 7:30am at First Pres.

## Last Week We Heard from Karen Mondora, Asst. City Mgr.

She is a civil engineer and brings 12 years of experience in our city administration to her new position. She spoke about some of the new construction projects in the city including new road projects. It was good to see her sharpness in answering questions and telling us the good things planned this year. One reason why we like what is happening in Farmington Hills.

## FFH Optimist 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. **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.

Check out the **Central Macomb Optimist Club Michigan USA** Facebook page. Click on their "About" tab to see how they present their club to all who access their club. **February 1<sup>st</sup> Post on Your FB Page "Why You Are Optimistic!"**.

## Michigan Honor Clubs in 2022-2023

## Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

17267 BFT – Mason, MI  
17425 Flint – West, MI  
17234 Grosse Pointe – Lakeshore, MI

### Michigan District 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Conference > Engage Optimism

Here is your chance to attend a District meeting without travel or hotel costs! Enjoy and be engaged!

- Zoom 8:30am – 12:30pm on Feb. 3
- Registration \$10 until Jan. 28, then \$15
- Register at [michiganoptimists.org](http://michiganoptimists.org)
- Featuring O.I. President Tracy Huxley
- One of the breakout sessions will be led by Tom and Diane titled “Why and How to Engage with Junior Optimists”.

### St. Patrick’s Day Fundraiser for CHW March 21<sup>st</sup>

This is a fun and spectacular way to enjoy dinner at The Pines Restaurant with live music for a good cause... the Childhood Health and Wellness Grant Program for the Michigan District. (By the way, we have applied for a \$500 grant from this Program for our Jr. Optimist Video Contest.)

### Club Member and Friends Joys and Concerns

- ❖ *Prayers for Dave Clappison as his hip heals from surgery.*
- ❖ *Prayers for Ken Wasmer’s sister, Karen, who is in acute care.*
- ❖ *Prayers are working for Jim Walker as he heals from his surgery and cancer treatments.*
- ❖ *If you have joys or concerns to share with the club, please let Editor Tom know.*

### FPS Jr. Optimists

Registration through 12/28/23: Total **212**

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| Farmington HS | 30 | North Farmington HS | 21 |
| Power MS      | 10 | Beechview           | 47 |
| STEAM Academy | 11 | Hillside            | 8  |
| Gill ES       | 27 | Forest              | 5  |
| Warner        | 2  | Longacre            | 26 |

## Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

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### Optimist International Foundation

The Foundation is an excellent way to help provide 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! See attached application.

**Website:** [f2hoptimists.org](http://f2hoptimists.org) [new members can join on front page of website.] Contact Club President, Alvin Lynn: [lynnalvin256@gmail.com](mailto:lynnalvin256@gmail.com) with suggestions.

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

### Calendar

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| Jan | 31* | Rebecca Baizas, YMCA LiveStrong Program                   |
| Feb | 1   | National Optimist Day, Post online to celebrate!!         |
| Feb | 3   | Michigan District Zoom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Conference |
| Feb | 7   | Board Meeting via Zoom                                    |
| Feb | 14* | Essay Awards program                                      |
| Feb | 21* | Business Meeting                                          |
| Feb | 28* | Dan Layman, Blood Cancer Foundation                       |
| Mar | 13* | Oratorical Contest                                        |
| Mar | 20* | Business Meeting                                          |
| Mar | 21  | St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser @ Pines Restaurant           |
| Mar | 27* | Respect for Fire                                          |

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

**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 in-person meeting.

### Birthdays

#### January

29 – Betty Santo

30 – Joanne Wiegand

## **Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club**

### **Attachments:**

Newsletter PDF

Dime-A-Day Application

St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser

St. Patrick's Day Registration form

<https://optimist.org/images/marketing/Be%20An%20Optimist%2002.mp4>



# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Club Number \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_







JOIN THE MICHIGAN OPTIMISTS  
FOR A FUN AND SPECTACULAR

*Saint Patrick's Day Fundraiser*

MARCH 21ST

7:00-9:30 PM

PINES RESTAURANT

AT THE FARMINGTON HILLS GOLF CLUB  
37777 11 MILE CT. FARMINGTON HILLS

Enjoy: Shepherd's Pie,  
Corned Beef & Cabbage, a  
Vegetarian Option, and more Plus  
Non-alcoholic beverages

Cash Bar, Raffles,  
& Live Music!

\$50 Per Person

Complete the attached registration form and email or  
mail it to: [roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com](mailto:roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com)  
Roxanne Fitzpatrick 30255 Fiddlers Green  
Farmington Hills , MI 48334  
Mail check with application or  
Venmo to @roxanne-fitzpatrick

Thank you for supporting the Michigan Optimist  
Childhood Health & Wellness grant program.

Registration Form  
**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS 3/15/2024**

Please email registration form as soon as possible. roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com

Please make payment via Venmo or mailed check to info below before March 15th.

| NAME(S) | EMAIL | PHONE | DIETARY RESTRICTIONS | \$50 PER PERSON |
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| PAYMENT RECEIVED DATE | Venmo | check # |
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Please make check payable to: Michigan District Optimists with CHW in the memo

Mail Check and registration form before March 12th to:

Roxanne Fitzpatrick, MI CHW Chair

30255 Fiddlers Green

Farmington Hills, MI 48334