

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

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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."

Leadership Awards for Juniors in H.S.

We Present Leadership Awards this Week!

- 5 High Schools present a Junior to receive the Leadership Award at this breakfast meeting.
- O.I. President Tracie Huxley will join us by zoom for the presentations. Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88214804747>
- Hear what last year's award winners did with their award.
- See you at First Presbyterian Church at 7:30a, Wednesday.

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Time to Promote 33rd Annual Orrie Donley Golf Outing

It is now time to register for the **33rd Annual Orrie Donley Golf Outing** in support of the Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club. We need sponsors so help sign some up. The flyer is attached or you can visit our website for the information: <https://www.f2hoptimists.org/index.php/optimists/events-programs/golf-outing>

This is the main fundraiser for our programs which depends on your generosity, friends and hole sponsors. This year our 33rd golf outing will be held on August 6th and we are excited to invite you to participate in this event by playing golf, becoming a sponsor and helping recruit other contributors!

Michigan District Q3 Conference

- May 4, 2024, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
- Western Michigan University College of Aviation, Battle Creek, MI
- Regular Registration \$50 thru 4/28
- Agenda:
 - 9:00 am – 10:30 am Optimistically taking care of business
 - 10:40 am – 12:10 pm Exploring Ways of Showing Optimism (Breakout rooms will repeat, sessions are 35 minutes long)
 - New Member Welcome Packets-Ideas and Examples Exchange
 - Ready for New Members? District Marketing Support
 - Service Project-Fleece Blankets for Pediatric Patients
 - Taking Care of YOU-stretch, breathe, move
 - Trivia Night, Drawdowns, and Raffles-Tips and Tricks to fund projects
 - 12:15 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch & OIF Silent Auction Close Out
 - 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm District Oratorical and CCDHH Contest and Presentation of District Essay Winners
 - 3:30 pm – 3:45 pm 50/50 Winner Announced & Closing
- Register at: <https://michiganoptimists.org/events/2023-24-3rd-quarter-conference>

Michigan District JOI Convention – May 18, 2024

- ☆ Time: 10:00 am to 3:00pm
- ☆ Location: Costick Center, Rooms A & B
- ☆ Address: 28600 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills

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- ☆ Keynote Speaker: Donnie Leyman "Perspectives"
- ☆ \$10 fee that gives you lunch and a pin
- ☆ Wear your club's t-shirt (Award for most attend from a club)
- ☆ There will be raffles, fundraiser, and sales at the convention
- ☆ Election of Officers for 2024-2025

Club Member and Friends Joys and Concerns

- ❖ *Richard Burrous is recovering from surgery and hopes to be back at meetings soon.*
- ❖ *We wish Barrie Armstrong the best as he heals from back surgery.*
- ❖ *Betty Santo's husband will be having double bypass heart surgery.*
- ❖ *Prayers for Phyllis Pheeney as she mourns loss of her sister, Nancy.*
- ❖ *If you have joys or concerns to share with the club, please let Editor Tom know.*

JOI Leader/Volunteer Breakfast June 1, 9am to 10:30am

- This is to thank all the Parent/Teacher leaders and Optimist Advisors for all they did to make this a successful JOI year in Farmington Public Schools.
- All parent/teacher leaders and Optimist Advisors plus any spouses are welcome to join us at Diane Eklov's home, 25760 Hunt Club Drive, FH.
- Please RSVP to Diane at dceklov@gmail.com.

FPS Jr. Optimist Program

Registration through 2/9/24:

Total 216

Farmington HS	32	North Farmington HS	23
Power MS	10	Beechview	47
STEAM Academy	11	Hillside	8
Gill ES	27	Forest	5
Warner	2	Longacre	26
Lanigan	21	East	4

Optimist International Foundation

Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

This is the way O.I. pays for the Oratorical & Essay winners at District and National Contests. 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. (We have applied for a \$500 non-matching grant from this foundation.)

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

Facebook: Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

Calendar

Apr 17*	Leadership Awards (Tracie Huxley, O.I. Pres. Via zoom)
Apr 24*	John Lecznar, Masons Post 151
May 1	Board of Directors zoom meeting
May 4	3 rd Qtr. District Conference, Aviation College, WMU
May 8*	Club Business Meeting
May 15*	Karla Aren. FH Cultural Arts Programmer
May 22*	Joe LaRussa, Farmington Mayor
May 31*	Video Contest Awards
Jun 1	JOI Team Leader Appreciation Breakfast

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

SNOW/INCLEMENT WEATHER MEETING POLICY: Current Club policy is if the Farmington Public 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

April

17 – Ruth Platt
29 – Michael Bridges

Attachments:

Newsletter PDF
Golf Outing Flyer PDF
Dime-A-Day Application

Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

Libraries Saga PDF





33rd

Orrie Donley Golf Outing
in support of
The Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

— celebrating over **40** years of service —

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

Farmington Hills Golf Club

18 Holes Of Golf With A Cart On A Championship Course

9:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

Vegas Hole • Closest To The Pin • Lowest Score • Longest Drive

Other Fun Activities • Awards, Raffles & Prizes

Sponsorships Available

Golf Package \$150

Dinner Only \$35

Farmington Hills Golf Club
37777 Eleven Mile Court
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
248-473-1866

The Orrie Donley Golf Outing is the largest single fundraising event each year for the Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club. It enables our organization to provide financial support to many worthwhile youth programs and events in our community.

The Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club is a 501(c)(3).
www.f2hoptimists.org





Golf Package \$150
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8:00 – 9:15 a.m.
Continental Breakfast & Registration

9:30 a.m.
Shotgun Start

Lunch at the turn
& Beverage Cart on the Course

3:30 p.m. (approximately)
Early Dinner
Followed by Awards, Raffles & Prizes

Register, Sponsor, Donate
www.f2hoptimists.org

Credit Cards Accepted

Or send this form with check payable to:
Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club
P.O. Box 2203 Farmington Hills, MI 48333

For more information contact:
Optimist Golf Committee Co-Chairpersons

Laura Stewart
FFHOptimistsInfo@gmail.com
Roxanne Fitzpatrick
roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com or 248-470-3584

Sponsor Registration
Must Order By Tuesday, July 9

◆ **Diamond Level \$2,500**

Full page advertisement in program

◆ **Gold Level \$1,500**

½ page advertisement in program

◆ **Silver Level \$1,000**

¼ page advertisement in program

◆ **Bronze Level \$500**

⅛ page advertisement in program

◆ **Chrome Level \$200**

Listing in program

◆ **Each Sponsorship Level Includes:**

- Hole sponsor sign
- Place promo items (min 144) in give-away bags

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Optimist Member Contact: _____

Promo Item: _____

Golfer & Dinner Registration
Must Register By Tuesday, July 23

	# of People	\$ Total
Golf & Dinner		
Dinner Only		
	Total	

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____



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, 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 _____



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Volunteers



Bellacino's - Dan Moser
CARES - Susan Walker
Costick Center - Becky Heindl
Neighborhood House (Jon Grant) - Rob Kuelbs
Women's Park - Karen Fehl
YMCA - Sally Kirsten
Unplaced LFL - Don Munter and his wife

Optimist Children's Libraries saga starts 2013



Back in 2013 we created these with club members and Jr. Optimists! Help was provided by Rebuilding Together and FH Special Services.



Finished libraries →



Rebuilding Libraries and Bases 2024



Jim Scott

and

Jack Schertel



**"Teamwork makes
the dream work"**

Thanks to The Hawk for allowing us to use a classroom for rebuilding the libraries.



Ready for Painting



New Roofs added

In Tom and Cathy Neal's garage.

Finally done,
thanks to
Cathy Neal's
painting of
colorful
doors.

(Painting done in
the Neal Garage.)

