

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

Farmington/Farmington Hills

Sunnyside Newsletter *May 8, 2023*

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

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

"WE ARE SUCCEEDING WITH HEART OF OPTIMISM"

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### **Club Meeting This Week Features Respect for Law awards**

This is our chance to award Officer of the Year to both a Farmington Hills Police Person and a Farmington Public Service Person. This breakfast will be enhanced with a few extras for \$5. Join us at 7:30am for some social time before we get started at 7:45am at the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington.

### **40<sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary /Special Guest to Attend**

O.I. President Bob McFayden and his wife, Penny, are driving from their home in Canada to join our celebration. We have sent out invitations by email this past week to all current members, past Club Presidents and a list of dignitaries to join us at The Pines Restaurant on **Thursday, May 11 at 6:00pm**. Please make reservations for the event ASAP if possible so we can allow the restaurant to plan for the number attending.

### **Jr. Optimist Team Building Report**

This event was held at the Costick Center Gym. We had over 15 kids who learned how to get along and accomplish goals as a group. See below pictures.

### **District 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Conference in Livonia, May 12 & 13**

**Friday night** – Friday night activities will be held at **Canton Brew Works** 8527 N. Lilley Road (on Lilley Rd just south of Joy

Rd) from **4:30-7:30pm**. Munchies, craft beer and wine cash bar plus **loads of fun**. This is a welcome change for the first night!

**Saturday** – 8:30am to 4:00pm, begins the conference and at 10:00am with the Oratorical and CCDHH (Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) competitions taking place before lunch. [Our contestant, Jhanavi Bharathwaj, won **2nd place** at the Zone/Area Contest and will be competing at the upcoming Conference at Schoolcraft College on Saturday morning May 13, 2023!] Business meeting is after lunch. The Michigan JOI District will be hosting just a Leadership Summit Saturday morning.

Registration for the conference weekend is open on the MI District website: [michiganoptimists.org](http://michiganoptimists.org)

### **32<sup>nd</sup> Orrie Donley Golf Outing - August 1<sup>st</sup> Committee Update**

Online golf and sponsor registration is available on the Club's website ([www.f2hoptimists.org](http://www.f2hoptimists.org)). Golf continues to sell out so register early. Members are encouraged to obtain sponsorships and raffle donations. See attached flyer and golf letter for details.

The committee is also looking for 1 or 2 current or past golfers to coordinate all golf matters prior to, and on the day of, the outing. If interested, please contact Roxanne Fitzpatrick (248-470-3584) or Laura Stewart (248-346-2201).

### **Board of Officers & Directors Highlights**

- 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration - so far we have 44 reservations.
- We want to sell tickets for the CARES Duck Race. Club makes \$1 on every \$5 ticket we sell.
- Golf Outing – We have 16 golfers already paid for Aug. 1 outing.
- Jr. Optimists – Beechview and Gill Elementary schools won pizzas for entering the Creed Video Contest.
- Oratorical – our 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Area competition and will compete in the District Oratorical on May 13 at Schoolcraft College.

- Founders Day Parade & Kids Fishing Day or scheduled on the same day, July 22<sup>nd</sup>! Will need extra help that morning.

**Consider Optimist Foundation: Make Dime-A-Day Donation**

We need to continue to support the O.I. Foundation by giving a \$36.50 donation to support the National program for Oratorical, Essay and other programs that only get their funding from the foundation. Go to **optimist.org: select Foundations: select Optimist International Foundation (Not Canadian): Scroll down and click on red rectangle saying "Make a Difference, Donate now": select US and then proceed with payment information.** Thanks for your participation in this program.

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

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

**Calendar**

*Meetings at Farmington Presbyterian Church, unless otherwise noted.*

|             |                                                             |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| May 10*     | Respect for Law                                             |
| May 11      | 40 <sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary Dinner, The Pines, 6:00pm |
| May 12 & 13 | District 3Q Conference in Livonia                           |
| May 13      | District Jr. Optimist in Livonia                            |
| May 17*     | Danielle Ware, Founder, Danika Community Development Inc.   |
| May 20      | Bike Safety Day, 11:00am – 3:00pm (See flyer)               |
| May 24*     | Peggi Tabor, PhD "The Science of Happiness"                 |
| May 31*     | Business Meeting                                            |
| June 7      | Board Meeting via Zoom                                      |
| June 14*    | Business Meeting                                            |
| June 21*    | Karlyne Tucker, Metro Detroit Fair Housing Ctr.             |
| June 28*    | TBD                                                         |

\* Club meetings at FPC Farmington church.

**Inclement Weather Policy:** If schools close, then no in-person meeting but will switch to a zoom link instead.

## **Birthdays**

### **May**

07 – Dawn Klein

### **June**

02 – Jill O'Hara

## **Attachments:**

Newsletter PDF

Optimist Golf Outing Flyer PDF

2023 Golf Solicitation letter Doc

Bicycle Safety Flyer PDF

# JOI Team Building 2023



Pass  
The  
Bucket  
No hands



# 2023 FFH Optimist Leadership Awards

Kennedy Dobson,  
Mercy H.S.



Marcus Yono  
Farmington Central H.S.



Abigail Bride, Farmington H.S.



Kezian Kudowor, Oakland Flex -Tech H.S.



Jaiden Thomas, North Farmington H.S.

You are cordially invited to share  
in the celebration of our

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Farmington/Farmington Hills

*Optimist's Club*

40<sup>th</sup>

ANNIVERSARY  
EVENT

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Thursday May 11, 2023 6:00 pm

The Pines

37777 Eleven Mile Court, Farmington Hills, MI 48335

\$40 per person, Cash bar, RSVP by May 1st

[adurham@fhgov.com](mailto:adurham@fhgov.com) or 248-892-2919

Cash or Check payable to Farmington/Farmington Hills  
Optimist Club P.O. Box 2203 Farmington Hills, MI 48333



**32<sup>nd</sup>**

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

— celebrating **40** years of service —

**Tuesday, August 1, 2023**

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  
248-476-5910

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](http://www.f2hoptimists.org)**





**Golf Package \$150**  
**Dinner Only \$35**

**8:00 – 9:15 a.m.**  
Continental Breakfast & Registration

**9:30 a.m.**  
Shotgun Start

**Lunch & Beverage Cart on the Course**

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

**Register, Sponsor, Donate**  
**[www.f2hoptimists.org](http://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  
Roxanne Fitzpatrick  
248-470-3584 rftz@kw.com  
FFHOptimistsInfo@gmail.com

**Sponsor Registration**  
Must Order By Tuesday, July 4

◆ **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 18

|               | # of People  | Total |
|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Golf & Dinner |              |       |
| Dinner Only   |              |       |
|               | <b>Total</b> |       |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Since 1983, the **Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club** has supported youth in our communities. The main fundraiser for our programs is the Annual Golf Outing which depends on your generosity. This year our 32nd golf outing will be held **on August 1, 2023** and we are excited to invite you to participate in this event!

Please consider supporting our efforts as a sponsor, donor, or golfer.

- **Sponsor** – See attached flyer.
- **Donor** - A major part of our success is the Raffle held at the Outing. Items range from event tickets, autographed items, hotel or golf packages, themed baskets, etc. Donations can be mailed to the Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club, Post Office Box 2203, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2203 or contact Roxanne Fitzpatrick (contact information below).
- **Golf** – Regardless of your golfing skills, playing in a scramble is fun while also supporting the Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club. This includes golf with cart, continental breakfast, lunch, beverage cart on the course, and cocktails and dinner at the club house. See attached flyer for golf registration. We continue to sell out so register early.

**Our Club is a 501(c)(3) public charity, your contributions are tax deductible. Please contact your tax professional.**

We hope you are as optimistic about the future of our youth as we are! Together we can make a difference.

Thank you for your support.

Roxanne Fitzpatrick and Laura Stewart  
Golf Outing Co-chairs  
248.470.3584 [roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com](mailto:roxfitzpatrick@gmail.com)  
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Enclosures



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P.O. BOX 2203 FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN 48333-2203 [www.f2hoptimists.org](http://www.f2hoptimists.org)



## Activities

**Bike Safety Inspection  
Helmet Inspection  
Rules of the road**

# *Farmington Hills Police and Fire*

# *Departments Present: Bike Safety Day*

**SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023**

**STARTS AT 11 A.M.**

**ENDS AT 3 P.M.**



**47th District Court**

**31605 W. 11 Mile Rd.**

**Farmington Hills, MI 48336**

**(Parking between City Hall  
and the Police Department)**

**Make sure to  
bring your  
bikes and  
helmets**

**\*Kids must be accompanied by a parent.  
Pre-register, if possible, the number of  
children and adults with Crime Prevention.**



To RSVP contact  
Crime Prevention: 248-871-2750  
crimeprevention@fhgov.com



**Helmets donated by Meijer**