

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

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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 A HEART OF OPTIMISM"

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### **NEW OPTIMIST WELCOME BREAKFAST – August 30**

Invite friends and potential members to our Leo's catered breakfast (*Added French Toast to menu!*) at First Presbyterian Church at 11 Mile and Farmington Road. Look for people who want to join a positive, goal-oriented club that tries to bring out the best in all people. They will learn about our Optimist Club and what we do for kids and our community. 7:30am to 8:30am.

### **District Convention Held in Lansing**

This past weekend we (Cathy & Tom Neal, Don Munter) attended the convention that wraps up the Optimist Year and elects and installs officers for the 2023-2024 year. [*Getting to the convention was an adventure! Thursday a tornado ran across I-96 Williamston. As a result, the highway was closed clearing trees, rolled over cars and trucks. Tom & Cathy were in a 10 mile back up which made it an hour late Friday night. Miracle of miracles, the hotel was the only hotel and restaurant with power on the west side of town.*]

- Convention started at 9:00am on Saturday morning.
- First timers were given a challenge to meet people wearing a color and ask them about their club.
- We received a 365 Banner patch for the club donation to O.I.Foundation.
- Jr. Golf Tournament had 615 golfers at District this year.
- Presentation by Eric's Father about **Outdoors with Eric**, a Facebook and Youtube user who has over 1 million followers doing charitable work in the Battle Creek area.
- Heard moving presentation by Mary Sue Munter on Project 17.

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- Heard presentation on building a good website. (He will evaluate our website and make suggestions.)
- Heard presentation by Grant Smith on Goals for Social Media.
- Installed Linda Thompson as Governor, 23-24 and elected Sean Mueller Governor Elect, 24-25

### Jr. Optimist District Convention at CARES

We will host this event at CARES in Farmington Hills on **Saturday, September 23, 2023**. The purpose is to gather members from clubs in District to have fun, share and elect new officers for the next Optimist year. Your help would be appreciated. See Tom Neal to learn how you can help make this a good experience for all the kids.

### Installation Banquet Wednesday Sept. 13

Each year we hold this special dinner meeting to install Officers and Directors for the next Optimist year (2023-2024). You and your spouse or significant other are encouraged to attend this fun affair. We are still searching for the right venue and catering. Save the date on your calendar. More information will be sent out as soon as we finalize the details.

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

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

### Calendar

Aug 25-27

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

4th Quarter District Convention, Crowne Plaza, West Lansing

### Aug 30\*

**Club NOW Meeting (Only meeting in August)**

Sep 6

Board Meeting by Zoom (7:15am to 8:30am)

Sep 13

Installation Banquet (Venue TBD)

Sep 16

Officer & Director Training (Venue TBD)

Sep 20

Club Meeting (7:30am to 8:30am) Project HD 17

Sep 23

Jr. Optimist District Convention @ CARES

Sep 27

Club Meeting (7:30am to 8:30am) Hiking the PCT

\* Club meetings held at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington.

## Farmington/Farmington Hills Breakfast Optimist Club

### **Birthdays**

#### **August**

- 06 – Rami Jamil
- 08 – Danette Duron-Willner
- 20 – Terry Tipton
- 21 – Phyllis Pheeny
- 24 – Chris Delgado

#### **September**

- 07 – Donald Munter
- 10 – Sally Kirsten
- 11 – Randy Bruce
- 12 – Kim Riley
- 21 – Andrea Fields
- 23 – Ellen Keyt
- 24 – Bill Wiegand
- 25 – Susan Arlin
- 27 – Marguerite Smith

#### **Attachments:**

- Newsletter PDF
- NOW Invite 8-30-23

# New Optimist Welcome Breakfast

Wednesday Morning, August 30  
7:30am to 8:30am



First Presbyterian Church of Farmington  
11 Mile & Farmington Road

*Come join us for breakfast and  
learn how we bring out the best  
in youth, our community and ourselves.  
Please email [ttneal@sbcglobal.com](mailto:ttneal@sbcglobal.com)  
To confirm you are attending.*

