Club members, Jr. Optimist leaders and District Officers are bcc'd this note. Editor, Tom Neal November 3, 2024

Sunnyside Newsletter

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

BE PATRIOTIC AND VOTE THIS WEEK

This week is Board of Directors Zoom Gathering

President Don Munter will lead the meeting for our club this week, 7:15am. Zoom information, treasurers report and past Board meeting minutes will be emailed to officers separately.

We Honor Our Community Veterans at Breakfast Nov. 13



Michigan District Gathering at Crowne Plaza, Auburn Hills

If you haven't ever attended a state-wide gathering of Optimists from all the clubs in Michigan, here is your chance! Register and attend the **Saturday**, **Nov. 16** meeting in Auburn Hills. The gathering will run from 9:00am to 4:00pm. There will be two hours of brainstorming sessions so you can learn and share ideas on a variety of topics. (Choose two different breakouts so you can meet other Optimists and learn what they

are doing.) Attend and bring back ideas we might benefit from implementing in our club. Members registration fees will be reimbursed by the club after the Gathering.

You Can Mentor and Guide Junior Optimists

We teach Leadership Development, Social Interaction and Community Engagement in the Farmington Public Schools (FPS). Each JOC operates independently electing their own officers and run their own community service projects. As a club member you can mentor and guide JOI members and help them develop their skills and potential. Contact our JOC Co-Chairs, Tom Neal (ttneal@sbcglobal.net) or Diane Eklov (dceklov@gmail.com) to learn how to connect with a school JOC in FPS.

Principals Joined Us for an Excellent Breakfast



Your Optimist Dues Can Be Reimbursed by Grouper

Grouper works with Medicare Advantage and Medicare Supplement plans to help cover membership dues, so you can focus on what you love... helping others to be positive and

optimistic. Here is link to determine if you qualify: app.hellogrouper.com/p/optimist (Just received my \$100 check TN)

Website: f2hoptimists.org

Facebook: Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club
Nov 6 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting 7:15am
Nov 13 Veterans Recognition Breakfast @ The Pines
Nov 15,16 District Fall Gathering, Crowne Plaza Auburn Hills

Nov 20* Business Meeting

Dec. 4 Board of Directors Zoom Meeting 7:15am

Dec. 11 FPS School Choir Get-together

Birthdays November

05 - Dave Clappison

14 - Nicole Hunt

21 - Susan Walker

December

22 – Roxanne Fitzpatrick

25 - Richard Lerner

30 - TR Carr

Attachments:

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

Michigan District 2024-25 Fall Gathering Crowne Plaza Auburn Hills



November 15 & 16 2024

Friday, November 15, 2024

6:30 - 7:00PM - Registration Check In

7:00 - 8:00PM - Executive Committee Meeting

7:00 – 10:00PM – Hospitality Room / Optimistic Hot Topics by the Pool

Saturday, November 16, 2024

7:00 - 8:45AM - Breakfast (included for all hotel guests)

8:00 - 9:00AM - Registration Check In

9:00 - 10:00AM - Morning Session

- Welcome
- Business Session
- Table Discussion Activity Preferences, Traditions, and Requirements

10:00 - 10:15AM - Break

10:15 - 11:15AM - Brainstorming Sessions Part 1

11:15 - 11:30AM - Break

11:30 - 12:30PM - Brainstorming Sessions Part 2

12:30 - 1:30PM - Lunch

1:30 – 4:00PM – Afternoon Session

F/FH Optimist Benefit:
Club will reimburse
registration fee up to \$55
Sign up at:

https://michiganoptimists.org/even ts/2024-25-fall-gathering/

Here are the sessions:

Part 1:

- Junior Optimist International (JOI)
- Best Practices Around Youth Programming
- In With the Optimism!
- Optimists in Action
- Essay Contest Information
- Optimist International Foundation

Part 2:

- Junior Optimist International (JOI)
- Best Practices Around Youth Programming
- In With the Optimism!
- Optimists in Action
- · Essay Contest Information
- Finding Members Nemo Style



