

Club members, Jr. Optimist leaders and District Officers are bcc'd this note. Editor, Tom Neal > August 10, 2025

## Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

*We bring out the best in youth, our community and ourselves.*

# SUNNYSIDE NEWSLETTER

### Orrie Donley Golf Outing Raised \$\$\$

The weather and the course were fabulous on 8/5! Our golfers and dinner guests enjoyed the day. Our volunteers and golf committee members, along with the golf club and restaurant staff, made sure that everyone felt welcome. Thank you to all volunteers and committee members. And thank you to all of our members who contributed money and gift cards to make 2 gift card trees, and a scratch-off lottery ticket rake this year. Our club members sure know how to come together for the success of our Club! The committee is expecting a very successful outing. More to come as we finalize the numbers.



Welcome crew



Check-in table



Jill at gift baskets



Our financial team

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Some of  
the 124  
golfers



50/50 winners



Winner of Rake  
Scratch-offs



Winner of  
Gift Cards



Winner of Grill



## Back to School Celebration, Tues. August 19

Every year the Farmington Public School District hosts a picnic for their staff the week before school starts. Historically, they let us, as a non-profit, have a table in the vendor tent for free. Here is where we meet and greet staff like principals and teachers as well

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as secretaries, bus drivers, etc. This is an ideal time to recruit teachers as JOI leaders. We will have a sign-up sheet to catch their name and info. We need 4 volunteers. You also get a free chicken lunch for being a volunteer. See Cathy Neal ([cnealrd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cnealrd@sbcglobal.net)) to volunteer.

### **Consider Going to Michigan District Summit**

So far, Don Munter, Susan Walker and the Neals are registered for the Michigan Summer Summit in Holland on the weekend of Aug. 22-23. On Saturday you will learn about the History of the Michigan District Optimists. Also, there will be brainstorming sessions about Annual Club Celebrations, Scholarship Offerings, Michigan Optimist Leadership Academy (MIOLA) or Crafting/Activity in the morning. Saturday afternoon there will be club & District Officer Training and a wrap up with Installation of the District Executive Committee. Sign up at <https://michiganoptimists.org/events/2024-25-summer-summit/>

### **F/FH Optimist Installation Banquet**

"Save the date" It will be at Longacre House, September 10 at 6:00. Other info will be forthcoming.

#### **Website:**

**f2hoptimists.org**

Pay Membership Dues using this link:

<https://f2hoptimists.org/pay-membership-dues>

#### **Facebook:**

**Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club**

#### **Calendar**

Aug	13	Board Meeting via Zoom
Aug	19	FPS Back to School Staff Picnic
Aug	20*	Mallory Kuhn, book author
Aug	22-23	Michigan District Summit, Holland
Sep	3	Board Meeting via Zoom
Sep	10	Installation Banquet, Longacre House
Sep	17*	Michigan Renaissance Festival
Sep	24*	Mallory Kuhn, Book Author
Oct	1	Board Meeting via Zoom

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Oct	8*	Peggy Castine, Farmington History
Oct	15*	Braver Angels Discussion
Oct	22*	TBD
Oct	29*	TBD
Nov	5	Board Meeting via Zoom
Nov	12	Kurt David, Josh Parish VETLIFE
Nov	19*	TBD

\* Meeting location at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington

### **Birthdays:**

#### **AUGUST**

**20 – Terry Tipton**

**21 – Phyllis Pheeney**

### **Club Membership YTD**

**Total 51**

**Adds = +6 Drops = -2 Net +4**

**Board Opening beginning Oct. 1, 2025 > President-Elect**

### **Attachments:**

Newsletter PDF





## **Corny Jokes:**

**What is an electrician's favorite type of news?**

**Current events.**

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**Every morning, I tell my family that I'm going jogging and then I don't go.**

**It's a running joke.**

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**This wife is turning 32 soon and the husband told her not to get her hopes up, "After all, the celebration is only going to last half a minute." Confused, she asked, "What are you talking about?"**

**The husband said, "It's your thirty-second birthday."**

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**What do you call a bunch of chess players bragging about their games in a hotel lobby?**

**Chess nuts boasting in an open foyer.**

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**What do skeletons order at a restaurant?**

**Spare ribs.**