

Club members, Jr. Optimist leaders and District Officers are bcc'd this note. Editor, Tom Neal > September 7, 2025

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

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

SUNNYSIDE NEWSLETTER

Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Board Meeting was held by Zoom on Weds, Sept. 3. Here are the highlights of the meeting:

- Finances in good shape thanks to net \$28,889 from Golf outing (a new record!)
- The open Director position was filled by Dawn Klein.
- Club sold Duck Race tickets and received \$166.
- Installation Dinner still needs people to RSVP.
- New member orientation for the 6 new members this optimist year will be done by Tom Neal on zoom.
- Thanks to the following officers whose terms expire and had their last Board meeting: Alvin Lynn, Jill O'Hara, Andrea Fields.

F/FH Optimist Installation Banquet Sept. 10

This is one event not to be missed. Meet the new Michigan Optimist Governor, Dave Putt and learn to *Bee the Difference* this next Optimist year. **Event starts at 6pm.** See attached invite below.

Club Meeting Sept. 17 At Peterlin's @ 6pm

We will learn about the annual Michigan Renaissance Festival.

“A Knight Out with the Optimist Club”

Come enjoy a fun night out, meet new friends, and see what being part of the Optimist Club is all about. A special guest from the *Michigan Renaissance Festival* will be joining us.

2025 Michigan Renaissance Festival

Free Appetizers

Wed. Sept. 17th.
6:00 to 8:00pm

Cash Bar

PETERLIN'S
Restaurant & Bar
22004 Farmington Rd, Farmington

ALL WELCOMED

Make Friends & Get Connected

More Information
www.f2hoptimists.org

Essay Contest For 2025-2026 School Year

The topic that contestants need to create an essay on is: **“How My Acts of Service Help Me Understand What My Community Means to Me.”** Wow, can’t wait to see the essays they write!

We talk about bringing out the best in our community, this goes a long way. We have two contests:

Middle School 1st place - \$250, 2nd place - \$200, 3rd place - \$150

High School 1st place - \$500, 2nd place - \$350, 3rd place - \$200

All contestants at each level must show proof of age either with a copy of a birth certificate or passport.

The high school winner’s essay will advance to the state-wide District level in the Spring, where the overall winner receives a \$2,500 scholarship.

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ESSAY REQUIREMENT: 700-800 Words

WHEN: Submission Date - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Dad Jokes

I would tell you a **chemical** joke, but I doubt it would get a **reaction**.

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f2hoptimists.org

Pay Membership Dues using this link:

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

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Calendar

Sep	10	Installation Banquet, Longacre House
Sep	17	Michigan Renaissance Festival @ Peterlins
Sep	24*	Mallory Kuhn, Book Author
Oct	1	Board Meeting via Zoom
Oct	8*	Peggy Castine, Farmington History
Oct	15	NOW @ Fired & Fused
Oct	22*	Gary Mekjian, FH City Manager
Oct	29*	Principals Breakfast
Nov	5	Board Meeting via Zoom
Nov	12	Veterans Breakfast, Donald Schenk @ The Pines
Nov	19	NOW event in the planning stage @ The Pines
Dec	3	Board Meeting via Zoom
Dec	10	Holiday sing at school TBD

* Meeting location at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington

Birthdays:

SEPTEMBER

07 – Donald Munter
10 – Sally Kirsten
11 – Randy Bruce
12 – Kim Riley
21 – Andrea Fields
25 – Susan Arlin

Club Membership YTD

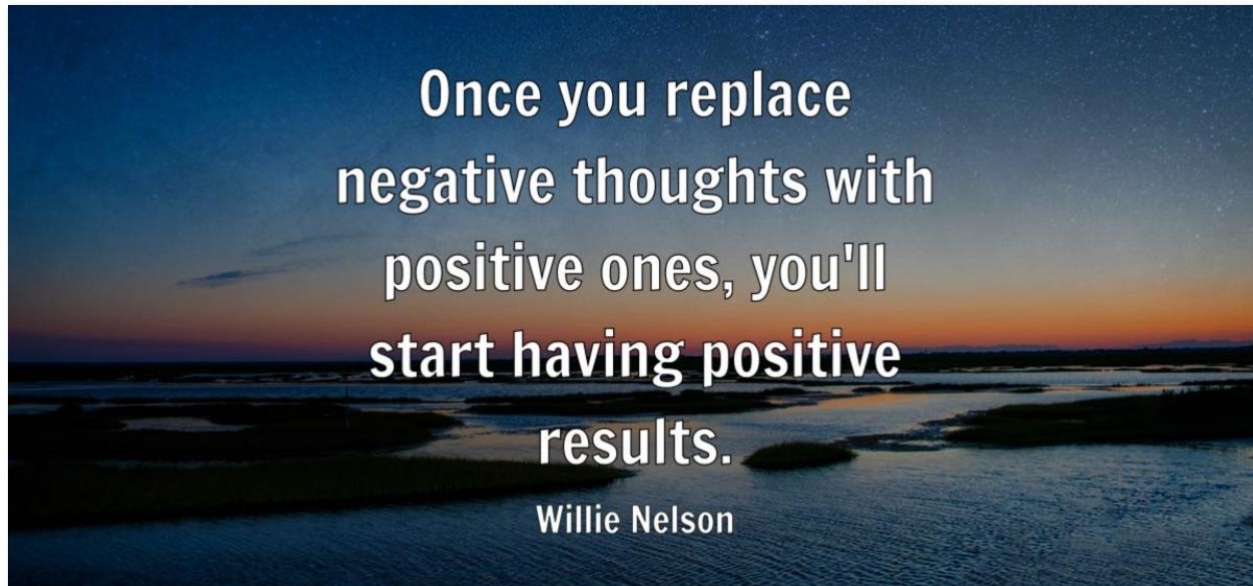
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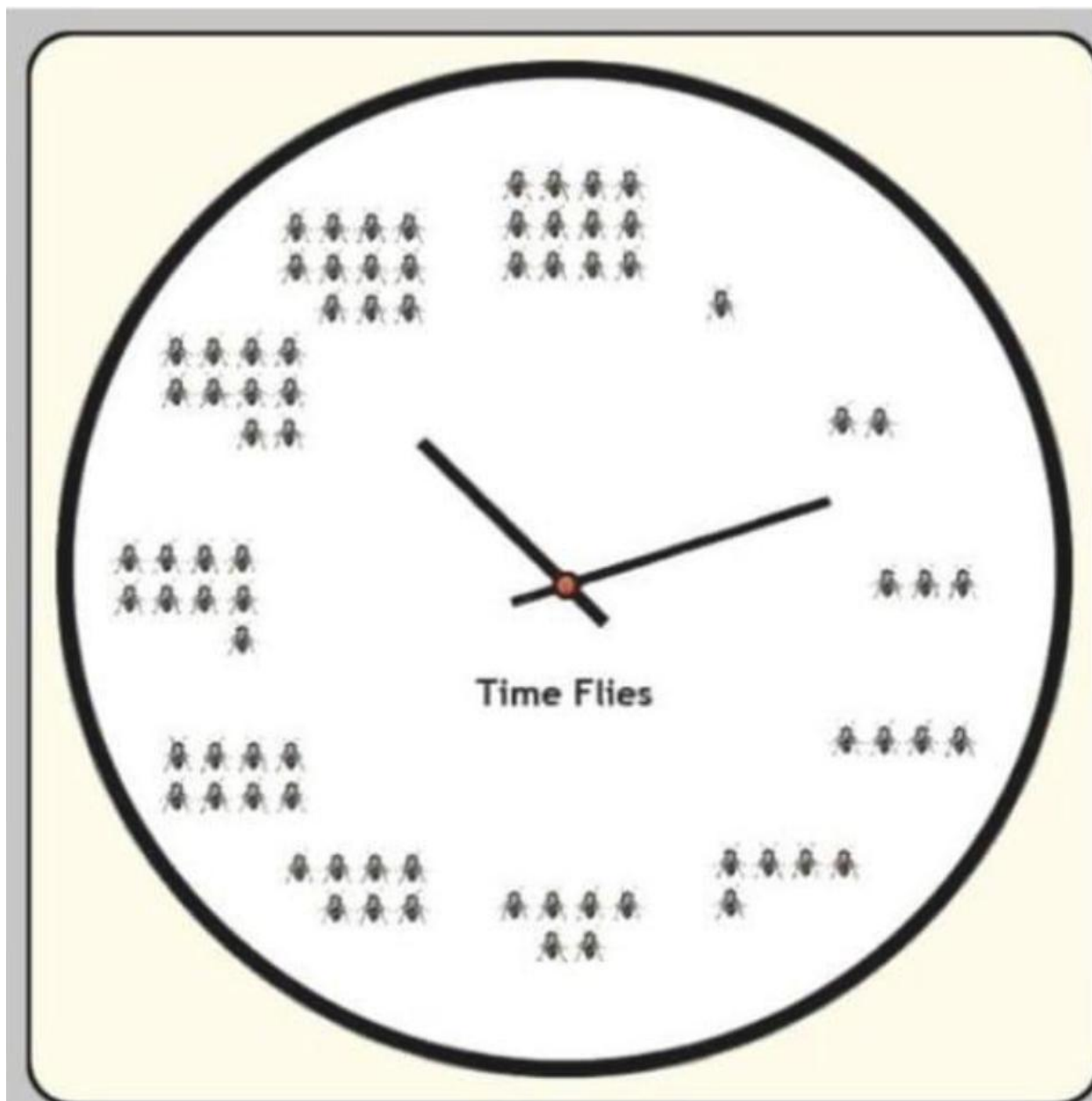
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Installation Invite PDF



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