



BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

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Meetings Every Tuesday, DoubleTree Hotel 12:15 p.m.



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MEETING NOTES

Our program today was a field trip to the Bay Arenac ISD Career Center, with lunch at the Blooming Chef Restaurant, inside the Career Center. Our speaker was **Kathy Dardas**, *Assistant Principal*, and member of the BCNOC. We also had 2 guests: **Tina Bersano**, school counselor, and **Laura Minuth**, wife of BCNOC member **Brandon Minuth**. **Kathy** shared some information on the career center, and we heard from two groups of students from the Bay Arenac ISD.

First group of students was a young man and woman enrolled in the *Culinary Arts, Tourism & Hospitality* field, which gave us a breakdown on what is involved in their field. Both speakers stated, while may not actually go into the field of culinary science, that they love to cook, and it will give them something they can always fall back on in life. The restaurant is open Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday from 11am to 1:30 pm, and is open to the public. The food is incredible, as well as the prices. Definitely plan a visit to see why everyone online has given it a 5 Star rating. They serve a Thanksgiving dinner, which Karen and I have partook of in the past, on November 16. Incredible meal!!

The second group of students consisting of both young men and women were from the *Graphics and Printing Communication* program. They displayed, by a slide show presentation, a portfolio of their photos. The photos were beautiful (might even make our own member/photographer, and *Travelogue Chair* **Guy Greve** jealous ;).

Some interesting information **Kathy** Shared:

They have been here 51 years, and presently have 1123 students

They have 23 programs, which include:

- Arts and Communications
- Agriculture and Natural resource
- Business, Management, Marketing & Technology
- Health Sciences
- Human Services
- Manufacturing & Industrial Technology

They serve 20 high schools from the area

They have 3 guidance counselors to assist students post secondary and career planning, as well solving problems and concerns of a personal nature

They have job placement services

More female students enrolled in programs this year then in the last 50 years, and they have had two young women go on to win state and national honors in their field.

The BCNOC has supported numerous, and varied, programs at the career center over the years, and will well into the future. This is just another way we are supporting youth in our community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Camel Races are moving along, and we have to start pushing ticket sales. We realize that a lot come in at the last minute, but the earlier the better for planning purpose. Information is available on our website, as well as a link for ticket sales



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 11: **Faith Sheldon**

October 13: **Danielle Zieroff**

October 23: **Patrick Rokosz**

October 25: **Guy Greve** October 25: **Patti Krenz**

Remember to check out our social media sites:

Face Book: [Bay City Noon Optimist](#) Web page: baycitynoonoptimist.org

As this was a field trip, normal order of business was suspended

BIRTHDAYS

None celebrated

50/50 and NAME DRAWING

HAPPY BUCKS, FINES, JUST BECAUSE

Happy Bucks

Just Because



VENMO

Venmo is an electronic means of transferring money via your phone from one individual to another and is very easy to use. Our Club now offers this payment option to our members and I've learned that many of you are already familiar with this service. There is no charge for the transfer for the sender or the receiver. You can use this method of payment instead of writing a check for any payment you would be making to our Club. On Venmo our Club name is **Bay City Optimists BOC**. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Karen

CAMEL RACES

One of our Club's major fund raisers is the Camel Races event, which will be on **FRIDAY**, November 3rd at **KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP HALL**, 1800 E. Parish Road, Kawkawlin. (PLEASE NOTE THE LOCATION CHANGE AND THE DAY FOR THIS YEAR'S EVENT IS FRIDAY).

24 Camels are anxiously preparing for the race in anticipation that they will be the winner of the event. Advertising sponsorships are still available, with a deadline of September 25, 2023.

Your help is needed in promoting the event. Tickets are \$40 each, which includes dinner and an open bar. If you would like to purchase tickets or would like to get some to sell, please contact **Karen**.

Our dinner will be catered but we are asking members to donate desserts. Volunteers are needed the night of the event. If you would like to volunteer or bring a dessert, please contact **Kirsten Wellnitz**.

In the past, two of our biggest selling prizes in the raffle drawings have been a "Basket of Cheer" and a "Lottery Board" We will be having both of these items again this year and are accepting donations for both—either items to fill the prizes or a monetary donation.

If you have any questions or wonder what in the heck are camel races (no, we don't use real camels), please contact either **Bobbi** or **Karen**, co-chairs of the event.



Proceeds Benefit the Youth of Bay County!

For more information, contact Karen at 989-992-6709 or email at noonoptimists@sbcglobal.net

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The Optimist Creed

*To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
 To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.
 To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
 To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
 To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.*

*To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own
 To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
 To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.
 To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.
 To be large for worry, to noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble*

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Mark Your Calendar Now for our 6th Annual Camel Races!

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Secretary: Jordan Reilling **Past President:** Roberta Spencer

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Essay: **Patti Krenz**

Camel Races: **Bobbi Gellise & Karen Monville**

Summer Party: **Karen Monville**

Oratorical: **Sandy Dabrowski**

Travel and Adventure: **Guy Greve**

Youth Appreciation: **Kirsten Wellnitz**

Christmas Party: **Karen Monville**

Bulletin: **Dana & Karen Monville**

Web Site: **Dana Monville**

N.O.W Program: **Rick Donahue/Jeff Staudacher**

Golf Outing: **Roberta Spencer**