



DICTIONARIES FOR THIRD GRADERS

Each year, every third grader in southern Jefferson County receives their very own dictionary. In an age of electronics, the children love getting the books and learning new skills.



ESSAY & ORATORICAL CONTESTS

Above, Olivia Blair wins first place and a scholarship in the district oratorical contest. At right, Olivia Lee captures first place and a scholarship in the district essay contest. Both students competed first in contests held by our club.



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We rely on the generosity of our community to support the Twin City Area Optimist Club's work in the community. Help us help the kids by sponsoring our club. For more information, please contact Jean Naeger, marketing chair, at 314-495-2822.

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Twin City Area Optimist Club

Bringing out the best in youth



COATS FOR KIDS

Coats for Kids is the club's largest project and has been operating for more than 30 years. Each year, up to 500 coats are given away. The project committee works with local school counselors to identify local children in need.

**Join the Twin City Area Optimist Club,
a service club supporting southern
Jefferson County, and make
a difference today.**

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CELEBRATING ARTISTS

Cassidy Hoehne, 17, won the club's annual art contest. Student artists submitted 383 pieces of art and were acknowledged for their work.

WHAT TO EXPECT IF YOU JOIN US

The Twin City Area Optimist Club includes people who want to help youth and the community. Members join to serve others and to promote Optimism as a way of life. Visit a meeting as a guest to see if Optimist is for you. Join and you will be invited to participate in projects you care about alongside people who want to make a difference.



RESPECT FOR LAW

As part of the Optimist International organization, the Twin City Optimists take part in a project held around the world to honor law enforcement officers each year.



YOUTH APPRECIATION

Bringing out the best in youth includes honoring local students for their achievements at the annual Youth Appreciation luncheon.



FOSTER TOGETHER

Twin City Area Optimist Club members collect donations for local organizations, including Foster Together, a community organization that supports foster families. Optimists donate toys, books, clothing, car seats and more to help foster children and their foster families.

WHEN WE GIVE, WE RECEIVE MORE

Whether you are searching for an outlet to help your community, personal development, or rewarding camaraderie, you'll find what you're looking for in your local Optimist Club.

BICYCLE and SUN SAFETY

Optimists continued to give away hundreds of properly fitted bicycle helmets as part of the club's growing bicycle safety project. In addition, the club launched a new Sun Safety program for 2026 to promote good decisions while outdoors.

