
OPTIMIST CLUB

An Optimist Club is a group of concerned citizens joining together to help the youth in their community. Working directly with the young people, Optimist club members organize and conduct many types of events and programs for youth. The Optimist mission is: *“By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in our youth, our communities, and ourselves.”*

Funding for our Optimist Club's projects is generated from within the community, and the funds stay here, to support the youth of our community.

THE OPTIMIST CREED

Promise Yourself...

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 too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

Please complete the application form below.

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Day/Month of Birth

Occupation

Business Address

City

State

Zip

Signature

E-mail Address

Sponsor

For further information, please contact:

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Please join us at one of our
regularly scheduled luncheons.
Our club meets every Tuesday at
12:15 PM
Contact for more information: 989-992-6709



Bay City Noon Optimist Club

Since 1958

We are

**A premier volunteer
organization that values all
children and helps them
develop to their full potential.**

A Friend of Youth



**BAY CITY NOON
OPTIMIST CLUB**

**Zone 3
Bay City, Michigan**

PROGRAMS OF OPTIMIST

Oratorical Contest

The annual Oratorical Contest is available to all youth in Bay County under the age of 19 years. A theme of some aspect of Optimism is selected at the International level. This event involves Club, Regional, District and International levels with the potential to earn up to \$22,500 in scholarships.

Essay Contest

The annual essay contest is for all youth under the age of 19. A theme is selected at the International level. The winning club entry is presented at the District competition, where the top prize is a \$2,500.00 scholarship.

Youth Appreciation

This program honors the unsung heroes of our community. The youth are nominated by the schools and organizations of Bay County. For many of these youth, it is their first recognition for the positive things they are doing for the community and their families. A wonderful event!



Social Activities

(funded solely by member contributions)

Installation Banquet	Sept.
Member Summer Party	Aug.
Member Christmas Party	Dec.

Community and Civic Activities

Monthly Birthday Party at the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission

The Optimist Club provides a birthday party for all the children residing at the Mission. If the child's birthday is that month, they receive a gift, compliments of the Club. All children that attend get a goodie bag, cake and ice cream, and a craft to take with them.

Monthly Student Award Ceremony at Hampton Elementary School

The club partners with Hampton Elementary School to participate in a monthly SOAR (Safe, Only respectful, Always Kind, Responsible) awards ceremony. The club funds all the awards, the ceremony costs, and special lunches for the winners and their parents.

Free Movies at the State Theatre

The Club provides funding for free family movies, in conjunction with the State Theatre. A non-perishable food donation is requested and donated to the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission

National Night Out Against Crime

Coordinated by the Bay City Department of Public Safety as an annual community event that promotes police-community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie, to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. The Club cooks, and serves hot dogs, passes out chips, pop, and ice cream treats to the 1500-2000 attendees.

State Street Academy Shining Stars

The Bay City Noon Optimist Club sponsors and funds a monthly awards assembly for students at State Street Academy. Each month the teachers choose one student from their class (K-6th grades). These students are recognized at a monthly assembly.

FUNDRAISERS

Travel & Adventure Series

A program that gives a unique opportunity for individuals to experience travel through the eyes of a videographer, who presents a narration of their travels. Shows are three times a year at the State Theater. Proceeds go to support the youth programs in our community.

Camel Races

Wooden Camels, sponsored by different businesses and individuals, are dressed creatively, and similar to horse racing, the Camels advance on the track determined by the toss of numbered cubes. To add more fun to the event, attendees bet on their favorite Camel to win.

Annual Golf Outing

This year's annual **Bay City Noon Optimist Club's** Golf scramble proceeds will go to the program of the club that will benefit the youth of Bay County



Programs that we sponsor

- Youth Leadership, Bay County
- Summer Youth Series in Wenonah Park
- Special Days Camp
- River Jordan, Inc.
- CAN Council, Great Lakes Bay Region
- Camp Fish Tales
- Nate and Mary Ida Doan Santa House
- Girls On The Run
- Foster Care Christmas Party
- Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy
- Riverview Discovery Island
- High School Robotics Programs
- Children's Grief Center
- Good Samaritan Rescue Mission