



Bay City Noon Optimist Club

# BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

## “Optimist International’s Club of The Year, 2013-2014”

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October 23, 2018

Meeting Every Tuesday, Boys & Girls Club 12:15 p.m.



### PROGRAM for TUESDAY

**October 30: Tim Murray/Christine Eckerlie**  
*Bay City’s Hidden History*

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**October 25: Monthly Children’s Birthday Party**  
*Good Samaritan Rescue Mission*

**October 26-27: Michigan Optimist District Meeting**  
*Holiday Inn, Muskegon*

**November 6: Kathy Dardas**  
*Career Center opportunities and programs*  
*Due to the election, meeting will be at*  
*Blooming Chef Restaurant, Career Center*

**November 15: Deadline for Koeze orders to Karen**

**December 9: Member’s Christmas Party**  
*Bangor Township hall*

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### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**November 3** Dr. Carol van der Harst

**November 12** George Klepser

**November 14** Bob LaChance

**November 16** Sandy Covalleski

**November 19** Krystal Casey Danielak

**November 29** Kerice Basmadjian

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**December 02** Kate Young

**December 03** Rick Donahue

**December 09** Rich VanTol

**December 11** Jim Schumacher

**December 17** Ron Cunningham

**December 28** Gary Ebel

**December 29** Lisa Orlando

### MEETING NOTES

**October 23:** Another beautiful day out there, and we had another great program at our meeting today. Our program was an update on the City Market here in Bay City. **Erin Riley**, Executive Director of the City Market was our presenter. Now open 18 months, and while the business is slow right now because of the season, it is that time of the year where it will begin to take off. The events coming up in November are numerous, and most are free. There is something for everyone. All the vendors are local, they have many new products, they have hired a new produce manager that has lowered the price of the fresh produce. Well worth checking it out.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Rich**, The Math In The Mail kit stuffing was a wonderful event. He, **Bobbi**, **Linda K**, and **Sue Cornejo** took part in the program. Next get together will be December 4: **Becky T**, the camel races are coming fast, and do not wait to get your tickets as there will be none sold at the door. There will be no tickets sold after November 8, 2018. We still need Michigan Lottery scratch off tickets for our lottery board, which we are figuring on being our main raffle prize. Any denomination works: **Roberta**, The letters for the Essay Contest will be going out this week to the schools: **Diane T**, The Hampton Hawks Soar program will be November 5, 9:00am, at Hampton Elementary school; **Bobbi**, The Birthday Party at the Mission will be this Thursday at 6:00 pm. We once again have more than 30 children in residence at the mission, and help is always needed. The Michigan District Meeting will be held October 26-27 in Muskegon. As of now **Karen**, **Dana**, **Roberta**, and **Sue Carmien** are attending.

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### 50/50 and QUARTER CUP

Well both of our money pots are still growing. **Kirsten** missed out on over \$300 in the 50/50, and **Erika Staudacher** missed out on \$13 in the “Quarter Cup” drawing.

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### FINES, HAPPY BUCKS, and BIRTHDAYS

**“Happy Bucks”:** **Natalie**, got up this morning pain free, first time in a long time: **Becky T**, new baby grand daughter: **Diane T**, all the high school sports are done for the season as far as she and her husband **Lee** are concerned): **Roberta**, great day to be Happy: **Carrie**, visited friends in Clinton Twp: **Bobbi**, three more fundraisers in the next 3 weeks and then she will be done: **Karen M**, Great day to be an *Optimist*, and for two of our new members which were present, **Amy Trogan** and **Beth Gehoski**. **“Just Because”:** **Karen M** **“Birthdays”:** None admitted to. **“Fines”:** **Roberta**, for being late

Remember to check out our social media sites:

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## TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE SERIES

On November 12th, BCNOC will kick off this year's Travelogue with our first show: "Guatemala, On the Edge of Discovery". This show begins by exploring the achievements of the ancient Maya civilization, by visiting fabled places like *El Mirador*, *Tikal* and *Yaxha*. It examines the historic tension between Mayan traditions and Spanish colonialism, using the religious pageantry of Antigua's Easter Week celebration to provide a cinematic backdrop for the fascinating conversation. It documents contemporary Mayan culture in *Lake Atitlan* where weavers spin cotton by hand and rely on the natural dyes and back strap looms to create world-class textiles. This documentary provides important context for understanding and exploring the fascinating Land of the Maya.

Our narrator for this show is **Brent Winebrenner**, a widely published photographer and filmmaker with experience in over 70 countries.

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## CAMEL RACES

November 10, 2018 for our second annual Camel Races is rapidly approaching. We have several sponsors this year - two *WIN Sponsors*: **Dr. Robert Taylor** and **Thumb Bank & Trust**; six *PLACE sponsors* – **Catholic Federal Credit Union**, **Wildfire Credit Union**, **McLaren Bay Region**, **Tri City RV**, and **Dow (2)**; and one *SHOW sponsor* – **Sunrise Credit Union**. All 24 camels have been leased and are preparing for the big day! We have space available in our program book for additional ads, so please let Diane Thompson know if you know of someone who may be interested. The prices are \$25 for a quarter page ad (business card size), \$40 for a half page ad, and \$60 for a full page ad.

Members are asked to provide scratch off tickets for a "lottery ticket board" we will be having at the event. If you prefer, you can make a cash donation to **Leighsa Otto** and she will purchase the tickets.

Volunteers are needed at the event for selling raffle tickets, check in, greeting, betting tables, set up, and clean up. Set up will start at 9:00 am the day of the event and should be done about 1:00 pm, depending on the number of helpers we have. If you are interested or have questions, please contact **Bobbi**. We will be serving a full dinner at the event but need persons to provide desserts. If you are interested in doing this, please contact **Bobbi**.

We also need your help in selling and/or purchasing tickets. **TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR**. People that attended last year's event had so much fun, we know you won't want to miss it. If you have any questions about the event, please contact either **Becky Tillman** or **Karen Monville**. Thank you in advance for your support. The proceeds from this year's event will be donated to the Riverview Discovery Island Project.

If you haven't yet purchased your tickets and would like to do so, please contact Karen. Our initial food count is due on Monday, October 29th and we need to know if you are planning on attending. Tickets are \$35 each, which include a full dinner and an open bar. Tickets for persons who have volunteered to work at the event are \$20 each. **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE**, contact Karen if you are planning on attending and let her know how many tickets you would like. For those of you who have taken tickets to sell, please contact Karen and let her know how many you have sold and get the stubs and money to her ASAP. Karen's cell phone number is 989-992-6709.

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## November 12, 2018 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas party for members and families will be on Sunday, December 9, 2018 at Bangor Township Hall. The party will start at 2:30 pm, with a potluck dinner at 3:00, followed by **Santa's** arrival at 4:00 pm. All members are invited and children and grandchildren are welcome. **Santa** will be bringing a gift for each child and a sign up sheet will be available at our weekly luncheons in the near future. If you are unable to attend a luncheon, you can contact **Karen** with the name(s) and age(s) of the children you will be bringing. Our Club will provide ham and turkey and members are asked to bring a dish to pass. More information will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

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## NEW MEMBER INCENTIVES

Thank you to those members who helped us achieve recognition as a *Centennial Distinguished Optimist Club* for the 2017-2018 Optimist year. We had a special membership incentive for the last week of September to assist us in recruiting new members. Those incentives were only through September 30, 2018. During the Centennial year (2018-2019) Optimist International does offer us some membership incentives to assist us for the 2018-2019 Optimist year, which are as follows:

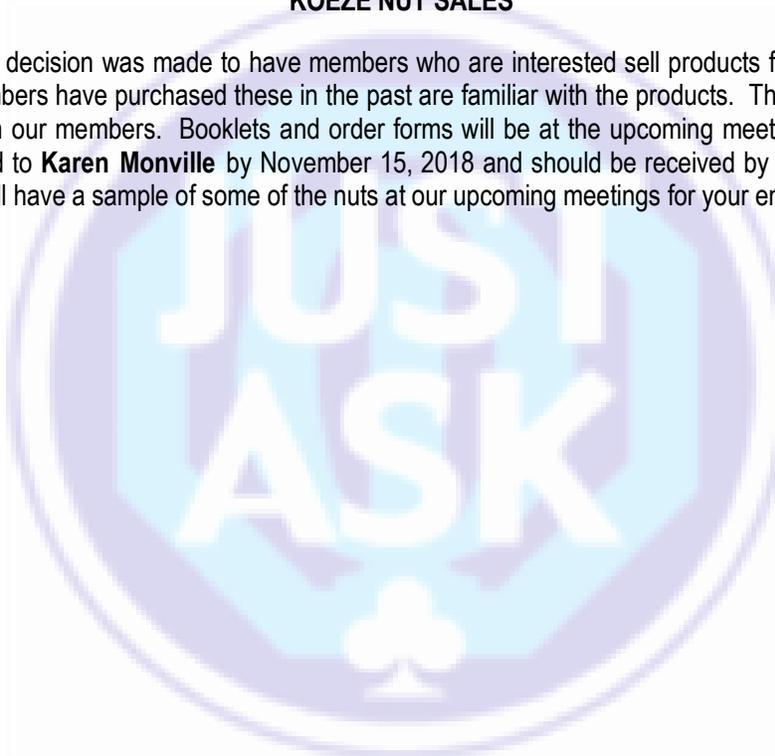
Persons under 30 years of age can join for \$50 dues for the first year, with no application fee.

Persons involved in the education system can join for \$50 dues for the first year, with no application fee. This is not only for teachers but is for anyone in the education system, currently working or retired.

“Homecoming” membership incentive is for former members who would like to renew their membership during this Centennial Optimist year and can do so for \$50 dues for the first year, with no application fee.

## KOEZE NUT SALES

At our recent Board meeting, the decision was made to have members who are interested sell products from Third Coast Partners, featuring Koeze Nuts. Several of our members have purchased these in the past are familiar with the products. The mixed nuts, cashews, and peanut butter are especially popular with our members. Booklets and order forms will be at the upcoming meetings for you to assist you with your sales. Orders must be submitted to **Karen Monville** by November 15, 2018 and should be received by the first week of December. These items make great gifts. **Karen** will have a sample of some of the nuts at our upcoming meetings for your enjoyment.



# The Optimist Creed

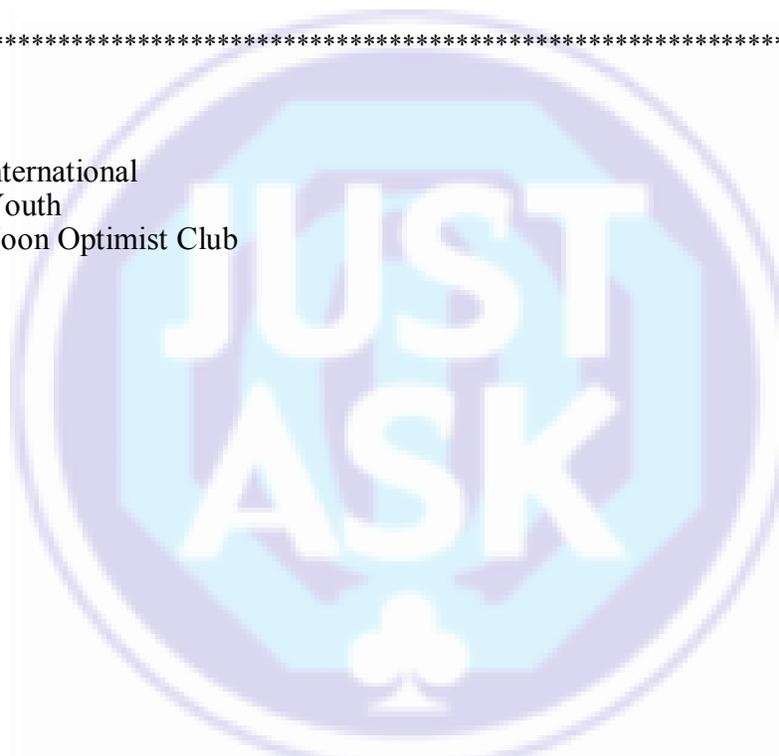
*To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.  
 To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.  
 To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.  
 To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.  
 To think only of the best, 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 to large for worry, to noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble*

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**President:** Rich VanTol      **Vice President:** Carrie Rostollan      **Treasurer:** Karen Monville  
**Secretary:** Becky Tillman      **Immediate Past President:** Corrine Bloomfield

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## Board of Directors

	<b>2018-2020</b>	
Bobbi Gellise		Sue Cornejo
Leighsa Otto		Kate Young

	<b>2017-2019</b>	
Rick Donahue		Roberta Spencer
Debbie VanIdour		Kirsten Wellnitz

*Programs:* Corrine Bloomfield

*Essay:* Roberta Spencer

*Camel Races:* Becky Tillman

*Summer Party:* Karen Monville

*Oratorical:* Lisa Forrest

*Travel and Adventure:* Guy Greve

*Youth Appreciation:* Jo Ellen Strieter

*Christmas Party:* Karen Monville

*Bulletin:* Dana & Karen Monville

*N.O.W Program:* Rick Donahue