



BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

"Optimist International's Club of The Year, 2013-2014"

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November 27, 2018

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



PROGRAM for TUESDAY

December 4: Jill Pfeiffer
Great Lakes Bay Moms



December 9: Member's Christmas Party
Bangor Township hall

December 10: BCNOC Board Meeting
Thumb Bank and Trust, Center Ave, Bay City

December 11: N.O.W Meeting

December 13: Bay Area Chamber After Hours
City Market, Bay City

December 18: Annual BCNOC Christmas Luncheon with the Bay City Rotary Club
DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City

December 25: No Meeting
Merry Christmas



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- December 02 Kate Young
- December 03 Rick Donahue
- December 09 Rich VanTol
- December 11 Jim Schumacher
- December 16 Kathy Dardas
- December 17 Ron Cunningham
- December 28 Gary Ebel
- December 29 Lisa Orlando



MEETING NOTES

November 27: 17 members today. The program, and speaker today, was **President Rich VanTol**. Rich presented on a new program that took effect on October 1st, 2018 in the Great Lakes Bay Region. 17,000 STEM passports were distributed to children in Arenac, Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland, and Saginaw counties. The passport features FIFTEEN STEM-rich institutions and community-based STEM programs including discounts, coupons and promotional advertisements. Students in Saginaw Public Schools were the first to receive the STEM Passports and they were a big hit! The Great Lakes Bay Region (GLBR) is committed to developing the workforce, particularly in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). As part of the GLBR STEM Impact Initiative and national STEM Learning Ecosystems project, the Alliance is focused on STEM learning quality and opportunities.

In May 2014, leaders from business and education joined forces under the leadership of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance to launch the STEM Impact Initiative. The goal was to build the workforce of tomorrow through comprehensive science, technology, engineering, and math education to meet the growing needs of our current employers and to attract new jobs and businesses to the Great Lakes Bay Region. And it worked.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Rich, N.O.W meeting will be held December 11. Please get names to **Karen M** as soon as possible. Our meeting on December 4th will have our members participating in three different goings on that day. Besides our luncheon, we will have members participating in the "Math in the Mail" project and the Hearts of Hope Luncheon. Our annual joint Bay City Rotary/BCNOC Christmas Luncheon will be December 18. Cost will be \$12 at the door. Lunch starts at 12:00 noon. Presented member certificate to **Amy McDonald**. Read thank you letters from Junior Achievement of North East Michigan thanking BCNOC for our donation, and from BAISD also thanking us for our donation. Our club will be partnering with the Bay City Kiwanis in their "Eagle by the Bay Race" on April 20, 2019. Stay tuned for more information on this event.. This will be a joint fundraiser for our club; **Guy**, Travelogue will be January 7, 2019. Tickets make wonderful Stocking Stuffers; **Linda K, Jim Merrill** feels terrible not being able to attend the luncheons due to other commitments, but hopefully he will be back soon.

50/50, "QUARTER CUP", BIRTHDAYS

As so many have done before her, **Bobbi** drew the wrong card in the 50/50, and **Dana Muscott** was not present to collect her "Quarter Cup" winnings. "Birthdays": No one admitted to having one.

"FINES", "HAPPY BUCKS", "JUST BECAUSE"

"Happy Bucks": **Jeff**, He and his brother **Mike** had a great time in California for the Notre Dame Game: **Roberta**, One son is expecting baby #2, second son is engaged; **Guy**, Notre dame will be playing Alabama instead of U of M; **Amy**, has squirrels living in their attic; **Debbie**, daughter is engaged; **Fines**: **Rick** fined himself once again for so many reasons. "Just Because": **Karen**

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:

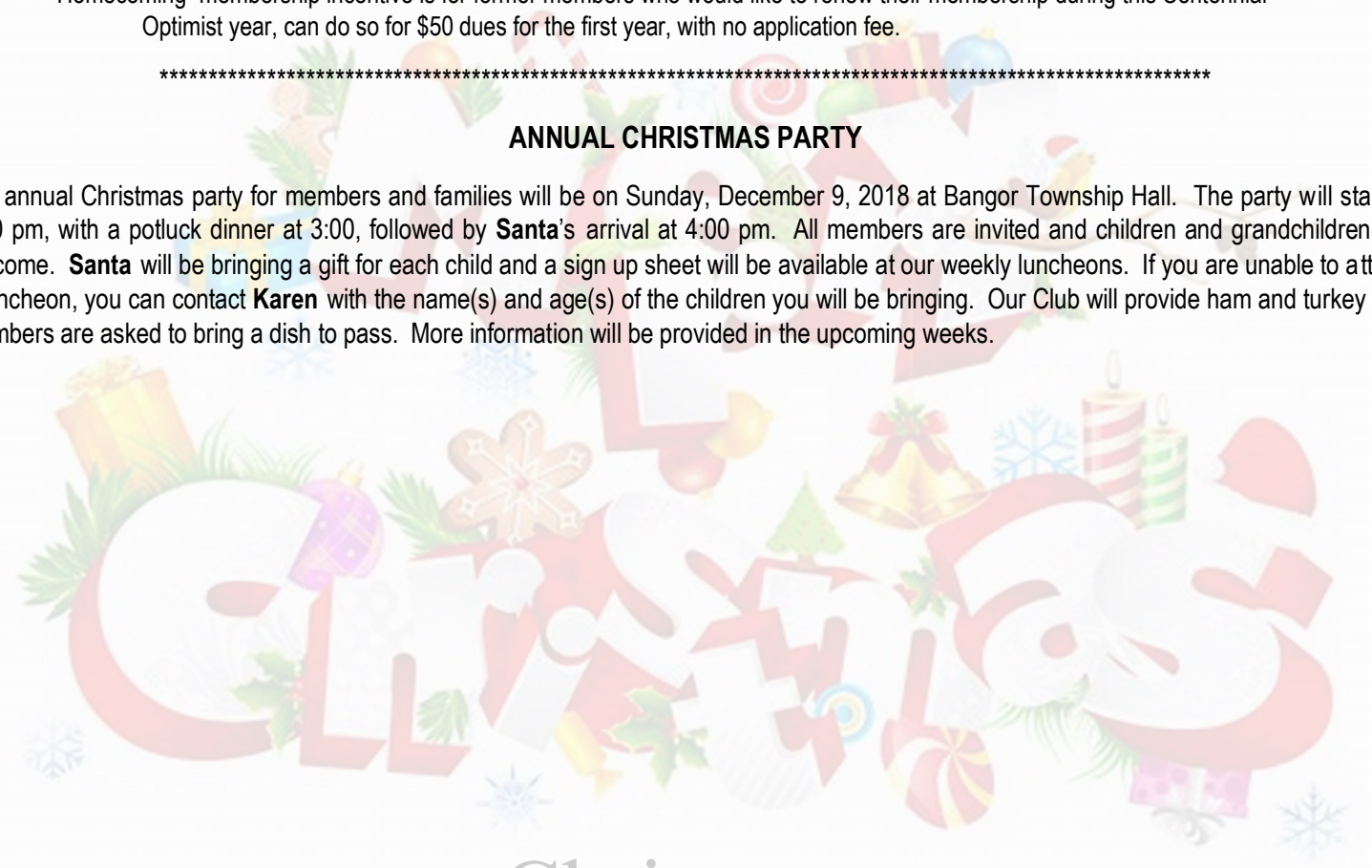
Persons under 30 years of age can join for \$50 dues for the first year, with no application fee.

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, can do so for \$50 dues for the first year, with no application fee.

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. 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.



Christmas

December 25, 2018

Remember to check out our social media sites:

Face Book: Bay City Noon Optimist Web page: baycitynoonoptimist.org

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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 Bay City Noon Optimist Club



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

Board of Directors

2018-2020 Bobbi Gellise Leighsa Otto	Sue Cornejo Kate Young	2017-2019 Rick Donahue Debbie VanIdour	Roberta Spencer Kirsten Wellnitz
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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