

## BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

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

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April 20

Meeting Every Tuesday, Via Zoom 12:15 p.m.



Our meetings are once again being held via ZOOM. Meetings start at 12:15 with the option of signing on beginning at noon for fellowship.

## April 20

Today's guest speaker was **Moira Branigan**, Executive Director of the Great Lakes Bay Region YWCA, located here in Bay City. This is their 130<sup>th</sup> year of existence here in Bay City. Their mission: <u>To eliminate racism</u>, <u>empowering women</u>, <u>and to promote peace</u>, <u>justice</u>, <u>freedom</u>, <u>and dignity for all</u>. Their Women's Economic Empowerment Programs are for women in poverty, or in the ALICE population. <u>ALICE</u> is a project of the <u>United Way</u>, and is an acronym for <u>Asset Limited</u>, <u>Income Constrained</u>, <u>Employed</u>. <u>ALICE</u> is the growing number of households in our communities that do not earn enough to afford basic necessities, with most of the households headed by single mothers. The programs include: the <u>Getting Ahead Program</u> which is a 10 week/60 hour class to help build resources for them; <u>Moving Ahead Financial Education</u> which is 5 weeks/10 hours for budgeting and loans and stuff; <u>Staying Ahead</u> which is a support group for graduates of the programs, and the classes are free to the ladies who attend.

Funding comes mainly from the Riverside Art Festival, raising funds working the DRY DOCK, coming up June 11-13, as well as funding from foundations and local philanthropy.

More information can be had by contacting the YWCA: *Phone:* 989.894.9055 *Fax:* 989.894.9056 Mailing Address

YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region 909 Washington Ave, Suite 5 Bay City, MI 48708

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Roberta: Golf Outing- June 11th. Committee's next meeting is April 30th at 9:00am. A flyer and a letter were mailed and emailed out to all members., as well as on our Website: Make sure to like and share the event on Facebook.

Guy: Travelogue- There were 111 attendees at the Travelogue; we had 95 at the last one. Covid is slowly releasing it hold on the public

**Karen**: Oratorical – the area wide competition is April 24<sup>th,</sup> and the Saginaw, Bay City, and Hartland Optimist Clubs compete at 11:00am Optimist International Foundation news: no updates

Karen always has the *Dime a Day* pins available.

The Optimist International Convention, to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, will be more of a hybrid this year, being held June 30-July 3, 2021

Dana: Zone update: 3RD Quarter District Meeting is May 15th. Karen would be more than happy to register you if you would like.

### **MEMBER WELL BEING - BIRTHDAYS**

Birthdays: None admitted to

Member Well Being or in the News: Nothing reported today



## March

March 01: Kendra Christensen

March 11: Jim Merrill March 16: Amy MacDonald March 30: Jeff Staudacher

# April

April 02: Bobbi Gellise April 07: Amy Trogan April 11: John Spencer

April 16: Diane Thompson

April 05: Becky Tillman April 08 Becke Popour April 12: Lisa Forrest

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## MAY

May 4 Sandy Dabrowski May 16: Dana Monville May29: Lynn Gehoski May 5: Rob Short May 19: Marlene Mika May 31: Jennifer Grigg

Remember to check out our social media sites:

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

## **Happy Bucks**

President Roberta: For the sponsorships we received for the golf outing, for the oratorical, and for her husband Spence's birthday.

**Debbie:** Her youngest daughter just gave birth to their newest grandson

**Jeff:** Happy Birthday to **Spence**, for the travelogue, and he is going to Mackinaw to ride the Jeep over the bridge and for **Moira** being the speaker today.

Patti: For the Travelogue and for her safe return from Florida

Karen: Thank to President Roberta for helping get a judge for the Oratorical competition, for Moira, and for all President Roberta is doing for

our club

Carrie: for the day trip her and her fiancé made to go see the *Great Magic Show* 

Guy: For Moira, for her husband Zach who is presenting tomorrow for the Power Squadron

**Holli**: Daughter **Gabriella** has soccer starting up, **Gabriella** read to kitties at the *Humane Society* and we brought a kitty home, and she just signed her son **Isaac** up for preschool for next year!

Sad Buck

Guy: Was not happy with the Travelogue presenter last night

Holli: Nephew has COVID

### BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS

Board Position nominations are now open. Members of the Nominations Committee are Guy, Sandy, Carrie, Susan, and Rich. Please get with a member of the committee if you are interested in a board or officer position. All slates are open for nominations. You can nominate yourself or a fellow member. Voting will take place on April 27th. PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE AT OUR WEEKLY ZOOM MEETING TO CAST YOUR VOTE. PLEASE JOIN US AND HAVE A VOICE IN SELECTING OUR OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR NEXT YEAR.

The Board of Directors is the governing body of an Optimist Club. A Club's success depends on how well the Board functions, and on its leadership. Board members must be committed to the job. Some of the requirements of the positions are:

Determining activities.

Approving and supervising the budget.

Providing for the annual audit of Club books.

Deciding on eligibility of proposed Members.

Making long term and short term plans for the Club.

Formulating appropriate policies.

Assigning appropriate action requiring detailed study to Committees.

Receiving reports of Committees.

Advising Club Members of Board actions through the Club bulletin, and when necessary, Club meeting.

Activating the work of Club Committees.

Disciplining Members for inappropriate conduct or non-payment of dues.

Filling vacant offices between elections.

Identifying causes for low attendance and unnecessary losses of Members, and initiating plans and procedures to correct these problems.

Nomination slate so far is as follows

President: Rick Donahue

Vice-President: Sandy Dabrowski

Treasurer: Karen Monville

Secretary: Holli St. Laurent

Board Directors (4 open)

Patti Krenz Sue Cornejo Alicia Wallace Dana Muscott

Kim Offenbecker Jeff Staudacher Kathy Dardas

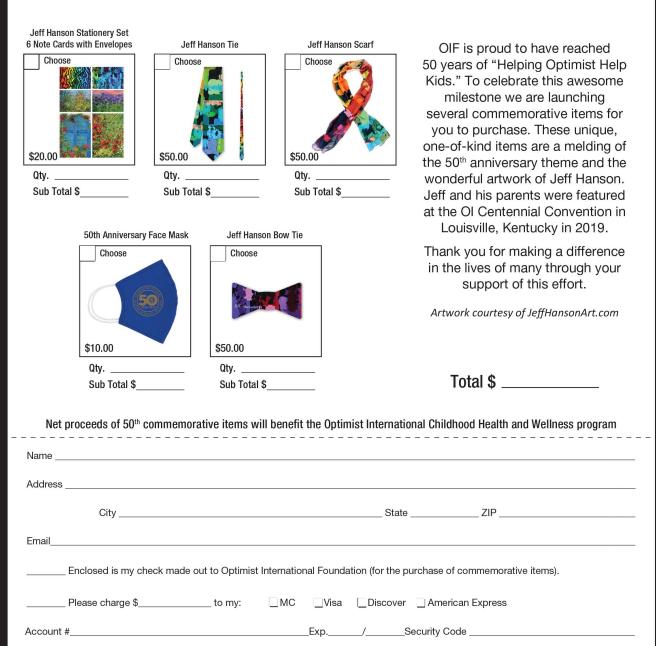
### **VENMO**

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.

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I want to thank Holli for the fine job she does of taking the notes of our meetings!!!





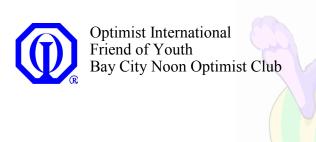
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# The Optimist Creed

- 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 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: Roberta Spencer Vice President: Rick Donahue Treasurer: Karen Monville
Secretary: Holli St. Laurent Immediate Past President: Carrie Rostollan

## **Board of Directors**

2020-2021 Jeff Staudacher Sandy Dabrowski Paul Gaiser Susan Carmien

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Bobbi Gellise Becky Tillman
Rich VanTol Kirsten Wellnitz

Programs: Paul Gaiser Essay: Roberta Spencer Camel Races: Becky Tillman

Summer Party: Karen Monville Oratorical: Sandy Dabrowksi Travel and Adventure: Guy Greve

Youth Appreciation: Kirsten Wellnitz Christmas Party: Karen Monville Bulletin: Dana & Karen Monville

N.O.W Program: Rick Donahue