

BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

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

Official Publication of the *Bay City Noon Optimist Club*March 23 and March 30
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.

March 23

Today's program was **Scott Staszak**, *Occupational Therapist* from **Game Changer Therapy**, speaking about *Autism Awareness*. **Game Changer Game Changer Therapy**'s main focus is mostly autism, but it also addresses *ADHD* and *Behavioral* issues as well, geared towards kids. *Autism* has such a huge spectrum, and there are varying degrees of functionality with autism. **Game Changer Therapy** Services incorporates play **therapy** into each client's daily routine, believeing if you maximize motivation, you maximize participation and when you maximize participation it maximizes the results of the therapy. The therapy needs to reach out into the home and into the community. They work with the parents on what the children should be working on at home, and they encourage taking the older children out to grocery stores and restaurants. More information about Game Changers, or the services offered can be had by visiting their website: *https://gamechangertherapy.com*, or by calling them at 989-860-0846

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Roberta: Next Food Distribution volunteer opportunity is April 23rd. Please register on Facebook if interested in Volunteering with the Great Lakes Bay Veterans Coalition.

Next Week's program: Oratorical Contest

Youth Appreciation- We have our first nomination

Golf Outing- June 11th. Committee's next meeting is March 26th at 10:00am

Karen: Foundation news: no updates, International convention will be some type of hybrid.

Dana: Zone update- no update at this time

SAD - FINES - HAPPY BUCKS - JUST BECAUSE

Happy Bucks-

Patti: going on vacation for 3 weeks **Bobbi**: going on vacation for 2 weeks **Roberta**: for the Oratorical Contest

Sandy: she is having surgery on the 31st for her other shoulder

Amy: She went on vacation, came home, and will be going on vacation again

Holli: received her 2nd shot, Gabriella's 10th birthday is today

Karen: forgot her pin and just a happy buck

Gail: For the thank you notes, and cards.. were sent from the kids who participated in making the calendars.

MEMBER WELL BEING - BIRTHDAYS - MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Member Well Being: None reported on

Birthdays: None admitted to



March

March 01: Kendra Christense March 11: Jim Merrill

March 16: Amy MacDonald March 30: Jeff Staudacher

April

April 02: Bobbi Gellise April 05: Becky Tillman
April 07: Amy Trogan April 08: Becke Popou
April 11: John Spencer April 12: Lisa Forrest
April 16: Diane Thompson April 25: Barb Skowronski

2: Lisa Forrest 29: Lynn Gehos

MAY

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

Remember to check out our social media sites:
Face Book: Bay City Noon Optimist Web page: baycitynoonoptimist.org

MYSTERY OPTIMIST

Mystery Optimist!

President Roberta gave everyone a number as they joined. Today's Mystery Optimist was Kirsten Wellnitz

Question #1: What is your favorite thing about being a member?

Answer: All the people she meets and the good work we do.

Question #2: What are you grateful for?
Answer: The wonderful weather
Question #3: One thing we don't know?

Answer: Her first intro to the Optimists was in 6th grade (Freeland schools) where she won an award and the Optimists have always stuck

with her.

March30

Today we were able to hold our *Oratorical Contest* at our meeting! We had 2 contestants, brother and sister **Andrew** and **Zoey Steger**. Both had great speeches prepared for us, and both did an amazing job! Our first place winner was **Andrew**, with **Zoey** placing 2nd. **Andrew** was awarded a \$500 Educational Scholarship and Zoey was awarded a \$250 Educational Scholarship funded by our club. They will both have a chance to compete at the regional level competition.

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Member Well Being: Guy shared with us that Ron Cunningham's 50 Year Anniversary with the club is this upcoming Thursday!!! He is our longest serving member and we are so glad that he is a part of our club. We thank Ron for all of his support over the years

Birthdays: Jeff was recognized for his Birthday by everyone present, and Jeff made a donation to our club of \$60, one dollar for each year!!!

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Jeff: for the great vacation he has been on and that he has now started his transition to retirement. He will be retired in 2 years and for realizing that 60 really isn't that old...

Sandy: for everyone's patience today as we worked out our technical glitches.

Guy: for **Ron's** 50th club anniversary and for the oratorical contest.

Marlene- as of Thursday, she will no longer be working with Good Samaritan and will be transitioning to Great Lakes Dream Center full time Karen- fine for the breakout rooms causing the delay. (we did practice this ahead of time, we promise)

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Question #1

Answer: What is your favorite thing about being a member? Friends, fellowship, and what we do for the youth.

Question #2: What are you grateful for?

Answer: Family

Question #3: One thing we don't know?

He ran track and cross country while attending Central High School.

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Next Week: State Street Academy

Bat City Noon Optimist Club Officer Elections

Board Position nominations are now open. Members of this committee are **Guy**, **Sandy**, **Carrie**, **Susan**, **and Rich**. Please get with a member of the committee if you are interested in a board position. All slates are open for nominations. You can nominate youself or a fellow member. Voting will take place on April 27th.

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.

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)

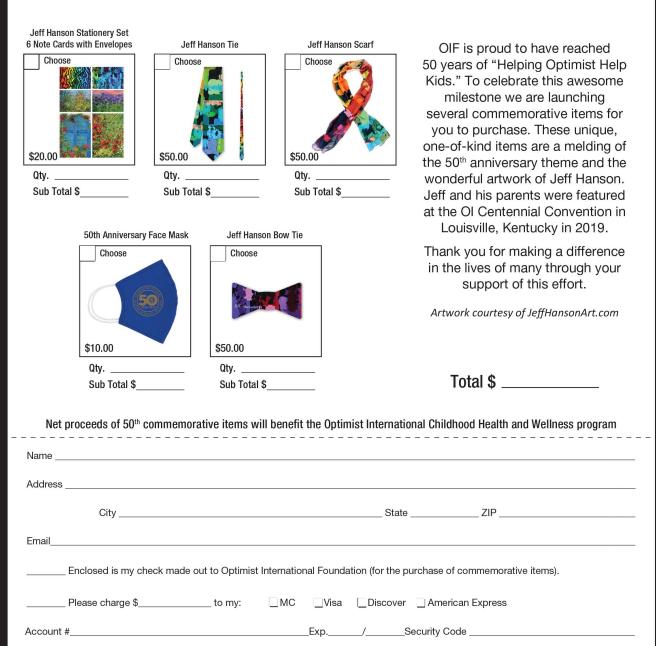
Patti Krenz Sue Cornejo Alicia Wallace Dana Muscott Kim Offenbecker Jeff Staudacher Kathy Dardas

VENMO PAYMENT PROCESSING

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.

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



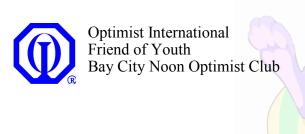


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The Optimist Creed

- 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



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 2020-2022
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