



Bay City Noon Optimist Club

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

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



On October 13th we started live meetings once again, and on November 13th it was decided to go back to ZOOM Meetings again, at least until this COVID thing figures out what it is going to do. Our meetings will once again begin at 12:15 with the option of signing on beginning at noon for fellowship.

November 17

(Thank You to **Holli St Laurent** for taking the minutes of the meeting every week)

Our program today was supposed to be Patti Krenz speaking on Precious Reflections, an “Infant Loss Support Group”. Due to the nature of the program, Patti did not think that ZOOM was the right venue for it. So instead we showed a video of a previous Optimist International Essay Contest winner, what it meant to her, and how it has impacted her life. This video is available on the Optimist International Foundations website at:

<https://oifoundation.org/foundation-videos.cfm>

And the title of the video is “Bonnie Jean Sherbert Essay Contest”,

Our club is presently in the process of holding our Essay Contest, so we felt this video was very appropriate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Karen: The Dime a Day pin for the Optimist International Foundation will be \$50 this year, instead of \$36.50. This is in recognition of the Foundation’s 50th year anniversary. *On the plus side:* This is a Very Special one of a kind pin, so if you are interested please contact **Karen**.

Holli: “Girls on the Run” 5k will take place on *Tuesday November 17th*. The race begins at 4:00pm and begins at *Bigelow Park*. If planning on attending We will be the water/cheer station and will be around the *Liberty Harbor Marina* area. **Holli** will have a card table set up so we can set out the dixie cups and fill with water. There will also be a trash bag for them to throw away the cups. There will be about 20 racers total which will include the girls, their running buddies and the 4 coaches. Extra bonus: if you volunteer you will get to cheer **Holli** on as she is running with her daughter **Gabriella**

Girls on the Run Update:

While it was rather COOL, or should I say cold, the runners got a warm reception from our club volunteers. We want to thank *President Roberta*, *Vice President Rick*, *Rick’s wife Karen*, *Treasurer Karen*, *Director Kirsten*, and *Dana* for volunteering their time. Of course *Secretary Holli* was running with her daughter **Gabriella**.

MYSTERY OPTIMIST

President Roberta came up with an idea for the weekly *Mystery Optimist*, where as everyone that signs on to the meeting is assigned a random number, and she choses someone to pick a number, and whoever has that number is asked to answer “Two Questions and a Query”.

“Question 1”: Name something you are grateful for

“Question 2”: Favorite thing about being an Optimist Member

“Query”: Something that is not known about you by the other members

Guy was the Chosen one, the questions he answered, but the Query stumped him. Figures he has been around long enough that everyone know everything about him



October	November	December	
October 23: Patrick Rokosz	November 3: Dr Carol van der Harst	December 2: Kate Young	December 3: Rick Donahue
October 25: Guy Greve	November 3: Holli St. Laurent	December 9: Rich VanTol	December 11: Jim Schumacher
October 25: Patti Krenz	November 12: George Klepser	December 13: Paul Gaiser	December 16: Kathy Dardas
	November 14: Bob LaChance	December 17: Ron Cunningham	December 28: Gary Ebel

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

MEMBER WELL BEING - BIRTHDAYS

Member Well Being: Dana reported that he had a short meeting with Barb and Matt, and they are doing well

Birthdays: None admitted to

FINES - HAPPY BUCKS - JUST BEACAUSE – BIRTHDAYS

Happy Bucks:

President Roberta: For the GOOD NEWS that **Becky** had to share

Holli: “Girls on the Run 5K Race”

Patti, Bobbi, Sandy, Karen, Roberta, Becky: For **Holli** running in the *Girls On The Run Race*

Debbie: Youngest daughter expecting in May

Karen: For the Zoom Meeting

Becky: Son-in Law, **Adam**, who was in a horrible accident last January, released from the Neurosurgeon's care and goes to Plymouth for a driving test.

Fines:

None proposed

Birthdays:

none admitted to

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 (although I must confess, I am new to this also). Thank you to **Jeff, Rich, and Holli** who have already used this payment method. Information about this service and/or to sign up can be found at: venmo.com.

BCNOC Secretary Holli St Laurent looking lovely in her “Birthday Bonnet”

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

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Oratorical: Lisa Forrest

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Youth Appreciation: Kirsten Wellnitz

Christmas Party: Karen Monville

Bulletin: Dana & Karen Monville

N.O.W Program: