



# BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

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

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October 12, 2021  
Meeting Every Tuesday, DoubleTree Hotel 12:15 p.m.



## October 12:

One guest today, **Jill Bair** from the *Good Samaritan Rescue Mission* joined us for lunch, and today’s special *Guest Speaker* was one of our own members, **Spencer A. Skorupski**, *President/Director, Skorupski Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, of Essexville and Saginaw, Mi.* **Spencer’s** program was mainly about funeral pre-planning, and why it is important, costs, options of burial, and all those other things that make for a great lunch topic. Seriously, it was an incredibly informative program. One aspect of the meeting that **Karen, Bobbi,** and I found very interesting was the free burial for military veterans of all branches at the *Great Lakes National Cemetery* in Holly Michigan. So Wednesday morning **Karen, Bobbi,** and I jumped on a bus and visited this cemetery, with lunch sandwiches, compliments of **Skorupski Funeral Homes** . Quite a fabulous place!

For more information on *Skorupski Funeral Home* you can visit their Website: <https://www.skorupskifamilyfunerals.com>  
The *Great Lakes National Cemetery*: <https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/greatlakes.asp>

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*President Roberta* inducted 3 new members, or I should say made their membership official. Those members were **Janae Kramer, Tana Moore** (both **Janae** and **Tana** were sponsored by **Holli**, and **Spencer Skorupski**, sponsored by **George**.)



L to R: George Klepser, Spencer Skorupski  
Karen Monville, Tana Moore, Holli St. Laurent,  
Janae Kramer, *President Roberta* Spencer

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bobbi:** Gave a Camel Race update. We still need lottery tickets for a “*Raffle Lottery Ticket Tree*” that we will auction off. You can also make a monetary donation and we will purchase tickets on your behalf.

**Karen:**  
The Michigan District Conference will once again be held in Bay City at the DoubleTree Hotel and Conference Center the weekend of November 5th and 6th, and we will need volunteers to work the event  
She also has the new *Dime a Day Pin*, and the *Women’s Philanthropy Council’s Pink Purse Pin*, that the Optimist International Foundation sells every year to help fund a Girls Oratorical Contest

**Guy:** Need volunteers to stuff envelopes this Monday, October 18th between 2 to 6pm at his office: 817 Washington Ave, Suite 301. Come and help for however long you can, you do not need to stay the entire time.

CAMEL RACES  
October 23, 2021

## QUARTER CUP AND 50/50

**Janae Kramer**, one of our newer members had her shot at winning the 50/50 Card Drawing, but she drew the wrong card, Paul gaiser was not present to claim his “*Quarter Cup*” winnings.

## MEMBER WELL BEING OR IN THE NEWS

**George** talked to **Gary Ebel** and he is doing fine.



### November

November 3: *Dr. Carol van der Harst*  
November 5: *Lori Skrzynsinski*  
November 14: *Bob LaChance*

November 3: *Holli St. Laurent*  
November 12: *George Klepser*  
November 16: *Sandy Covalleski*

### October

October 23: *Patrick Rokosz*  
October 25: *Guy Greve*  
October 25: *Patti Krenz*

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

**HAPPY BUCKS - FINES - JUST BECAUSE**

**Happy Bucks**

*While there were numerous Happy Bucks paid for our new members being inducted, I failed to write all of them down.*

**BIRTHDAYS**

None admitted to

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**Speaker for Tuesday, October 19**

Our speaker for next week will be **Becca Watz**, from "Soul Sisters Studio", a "Functional Pottery" work shop, and after the meeting, those wishing to, we will be able to walk to her studio for a 1st hand look.

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**CAMEL RACES (Please Note)**

Fellow Optimists we are busy planning our upcoming Camel Race and could use your help. We need to sell tickets to the event. Tickets are \$35 each which includes entry in to the event, dinner and an open bar.

One of our most popular raffle prizes at our past races has been our lottery tree. I am seeking lottery tickets to be donated or if you prefer You could donate a few dollars and I will pick them up for you.

Thanks in advance!

**Bobbi**

Co chair

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**Annual Officer Installation Dinner**

Our annual Officer Installation dinner will be held on Wednesday, October 27th at Uptown Grill. You should have received an invitation in the mail. Wednesday, October 20th is the SVP deadline so if you are planning on attending and have not yet submitted your information, please do so ASAP

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**N.O.W. Luncheon**

Our Club will be hosting a N.O.W. (New Optimists Welcome) luncheon on Tuesday, November 9th. Please provide names of any potential new members to any Board member and an invitation will be sent to them.

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**Michigan District First Quarter Conference**

The Michigan District *First Quarter Conference* will be held November 5-6, 2021 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bay City. If you would like to attend (registration, including lunch is paid for by the Club), please contact **Karen**. *Volunteers* are need to work in the Hospitality Room on Friday evening, and also for registration on Friday afternoon/evening and Saturday morning. If you would like to volunteer, or would like more information, please contact **Karen**

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**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***

# The Optimist Creed

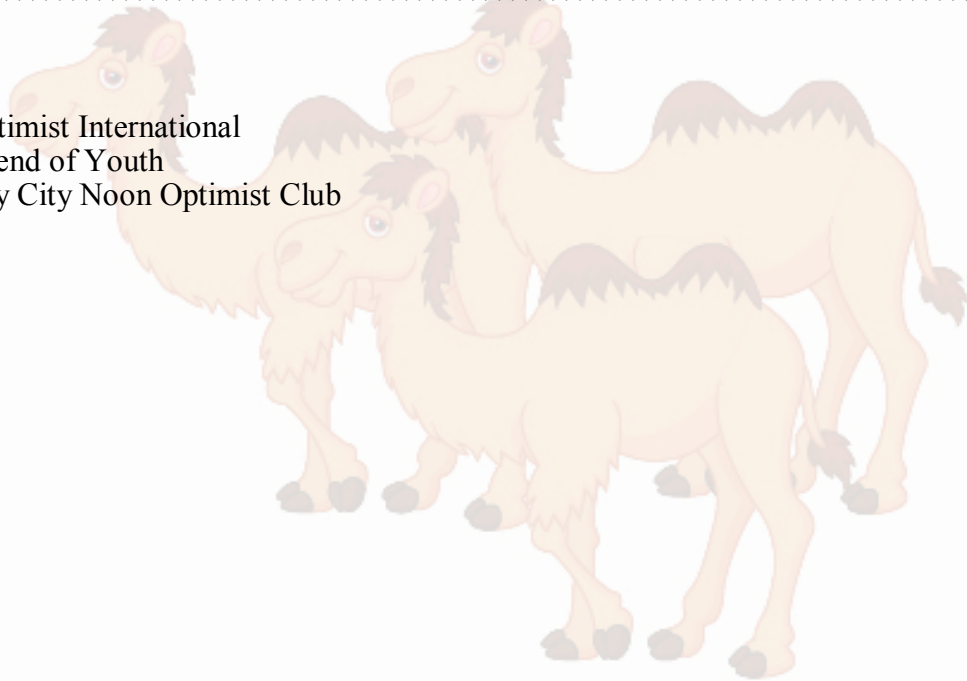
*To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.  
 To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.  
 To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.  
 To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.  
 To think only of the best, 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:** Sandy Dabrowski    **Treasurer:** Karen Monville  
**Secretary:** Holli St. Laurent    **Immediate Past President:** Roberta Spencer

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## Board of Directors

2021-2023 Jeff Staudacher Patti Krenz	2021-2022 Sue Cornejo Kim Offenbecker	2021-2022 Bobbi Gellise Rich VanTol Kirsten Wellnitz
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*Programs:* **Kirsten Wellnitz**

*Essay:* **Roberta Spencer**

*Camel Races:* **Bobbi Gellise & Holli St. Laurent**

*Summer Party:* **Karen Monville**

*Oratorical:* **Sandy Dabrowski**

*Travel and Adventure:* **Guy Greve**

*Youth Appreciation:* **Kirsten Wellnitz**

*Christmas Party:* **Karen Monville**

*Bulletin:* **Dana & Karen Monville**

*N.O.W Program:* **Rick Donahue/Jeff Staudacher**