



BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER

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

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April 15 and April 22, 2025

Meetings Every Tuesday, Paul Davis Restoration 12:15 p.m.



April 15:

Great turnout today for a very interesting, and informative program, meeting was facilitated by Vice President **Kirstin Wellnitz**. Our program was from the "Bay County Department of Aging", and the presenter was **Beth Eurich**, Director of the Bay County Department of Aging

PROGRAM NOTES

The Bay County Dept. on Aging has been around since 1979, prior to that it was known as The Council on Aging and it was formed in 1968. Berh shared with us the many different programs that are available, both free, and those that have what I would call, though very minor, a co-pay.

Among the free programs are:

My-ID: An identifying ID Bracelet with family information on it to help return a loved one.

Wonderful times newsletter: A monthly publication showcasing news-worthy issues, such as monthly food menu, Activity Center programs, volunteer opportunities, etc.

In home respite care

Personal Care services

One program among the co-pay's that is very worthwhile is the handyman Program, where a NON-Licensed person will do minor home repairs for those living in Bay County: Installation of grab bars, door lock repairs, smoke alarm installation, etc

More information can be had by contacting Bay County Department On Aging at 989-895-4100. Their location is in the Bay County Building at 515 Center Ave, Suite 202, Bay City

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President **Kirsten** :

Board gathering is Wednesday 4/16 at 3pm

Christmas Celebration: Our members Christmas Party will be November 30 for all club members, Come one, come all!

Spring gathering (District Meeting) will be at SVSU on Saturday May 17.

Roberta: Camel Races: Our annual Camel Races will be held November 8, 2025 at the Kawkawlin Twp. Hall. Meetings will begin soon

Golf Outing will be June 13. We need both players and sponsors. Sponsorship forms and team sig-up sheets are available on the website and on our Facebook site.

Bobbi: Birthday Party at the Mission is Wednesday, April 16 at 5:40pm

50/50 and QUARTER CUP

Kate Young would have won if only if she would have been at the meeting, and Alicia, like Paul last week, just could not pull the right card for the 50/50, so like the Quarter Cup, it will grow in value

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 3: Kendra Christensen

March 11: Jim Merrill

March 27: Tina Zapata

March 30: Jeff Staudacher

Remember to check out our social media sites:

Face Book: [Bay City Noon Optimist](#) Web page: baycitynoonoptimist.org

HAPPY BUCKS, FINES, JUST BECAUSE

Happy Bucks

Alicia: Bay Chorale concert at John Glenn High School.

Jim: Moving to a new facility, New Hope Bay

Roberta: Great Cruise

Teresa: Great presentation

Just Because

Bev, Paul, Karen, Guy

April 22

Great meeting, and a good turnout to witness the *Bay City Noon Optimist Club's* 2024 –2025 Essay Winners give their winning speeches. The students were well represented by their families, from mother and fathers to grand parents. While **Kirsten** led the meeting, **Patti** did a wonderful job facilitating the Essay speech part of the meeting.

Jayce Woods, *Garber High School*, who placed 3rd in our contest, and thus won a \$100 educational scholarship, led off with her winning essay, and judging by her essay, I would not want to have been one of the judges, a sentiment I believe felt by all. Though she was a little more poised, and seemed a touch more comfortable speaking in front of a group of people than the other presenters were, the context of her entry was just not as good to beat either **Drew** or **Summer**. (this is all in my opinion)

Drew Bailey, *John Glenn High School*, who placed 2nd, followed **Jayce**, and while his winning essay was just as great, it was just not good enough to beat **Summer**. Drew won \$250 educational scholarship..

Summer Pomaville, *Pinconning High School*, who placed 1st closed out the program with her winning essay, and did a wonderful job of presenting her essay. **Summer** won a \$500 educational scholarship.

While all had the topic chosen by Optimist International, "**How Optimism Has Paved My Road to Success**", it is always interesting to see the students take, and thus presentation, on the subject.

Till next year...

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Vice President **Kirsten**:

April 20: There will be a German Style Dinner on April 30 held at the Bay-Arenac ISD Career Center. Cost will be \$20.

May 17: Michigan District Conference, Saginaw Valley State University

May 21: BCNOC Board Meeting will be held at the Bay Arenac ISD Career Center

June 13: BCNOC Golf Outing, Maple Leaf Golf Course, Linwood

Karen: Camel Races will be November 8 at the Kawkawlin Township Hall. Save The Date flyers and post cards are available for those interested.

Alicia: The BCNOC Annual Election of Club Officers will be next week, April 29

50/50 and QUARTER CUP

Kirsten won the "Quarter Cup" Drawing and Sandy D finally won the 50/50. Congratulations to both of our winners.

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HAPPY BUCKS - JUST BECAUSE - FINES

Happy Bucks

Vice President Kirsten: For our guests

Alicia: Bay Choral at John Glenn High School

Dana: For our Oratorical Contestants

Linda: The ARC Event Fundraiser April 24

Teresa: The great job of presenting from the Oratorical Contestants

Tim: For our contestants

Paul: For our contestants

Guy: For our contestants\

Fines:

Bobbi: Cant make it to the ARC Fundraiser this Thursday

Dana: Had the last name of our 1st place Oratorical winner, **Summer Pomaville**, spelled wrong on the Website.

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*

Easter

April 20, 2025

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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Easter

President: Kathy Dardas **Vice President:** Kirsten Wellnitz **Treasurer:** Jo Ellen Strieter
Secretary: Katie Volk **Past President:** Alicia Wallace

April 20, 2023

Board of Directors

2023-2025	
Karen Monville	Roberta Spencer
Patti Krenz	Dana Monville

2024-2026	
Kate Young	Jessica Gohs
Sandy Dabrowski	Bobbi Gellise

Programs: Roberta Spencer

Essay: Patti Krenz

Camel Races: Bobbi Gellise & Karen Monville

Summer Party: Karen Monville

Oratorical: Sandy Dabrowski

Travel and Adventure: Guy Greve

Youth Appreciation: Kirsten Wellnitz

Christmas Party: Bobbi Gellise

Bulletin: Dana & Karen Monville

Web Site: Dana Monville

N.O.W Program:

Golf Outing: Roberta Spencer