BAY CITY NOON OPTIMIST NOONER



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March 18

Today was our Quarterly "NOW Meeting" (<u>New Optimists <u>Wanted</u>) and we had two guests that joined us, <u>Teresa Hoffman-Lack</u>, <u>Theresa works at United Bay Community Credit Union</u>, and <u>Julie Merrill</u> (<u>Jim Merrill</u>'s daughter in law)</u>

BCNOC President Kathy Dardas facilitated the meeting, with the assistance, and participation, of our committee chairs and club members, and I am excited to announce that we had a new member application that came out of this meeting. Teresa Hoffman-Lack has turned in her application for membership, and was voted on favorably at the March 19 Board Meeting.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nomination committee update: **Alicia** gave an update on progress, and we will continue tod iscuss at the board meeting tomorrow. She said we are in a good position with volunteers for positions.

Youth Appreciation Luncheon: **Guy** stated that he thought it was the best one yet, and very well organized.

HAPPY BUCKS, FINES, JUST BECAUSE

President Kathy: Thank you to JoEllen for doing the Bay Area Chamber breakfast eye opener

Bobbi: - gymnast granddaughter took first place in her age division out of 88 girls. And third grade grandson was invited to share his invention and moved onto the next round of the competition.

Patti: Went to Grand Rapids to see her granddaughter take first place in the color guard competition

Paul: Thursday at 5am will be the spring equinox **Bev:** Granddaughter made lasagna with her.

Kirsten: Wonderful Youth Appreciation event

Alicia: Promotion for the Bay Chorale Spring Concert

Rick: Happy that the snow was so light

Katie: Happy about James speech at the Youth Appreciation Luncheon, and how well he did

Guy: James great speech

James: Thank you for the support for my speech

Jim: Oldest great granddaughter is in honors, and in band

Julie Merrill: Her granddaughter got top scores in band

Sandy D: Thank you for all that you do and welcome to possible new members

50/50 and QUARTER CUP

Rich Van Tol would have won a bunch if he would have been at the meeting, Would Have being the Operative Words, and James drew the wrong card in the 50/50

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

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



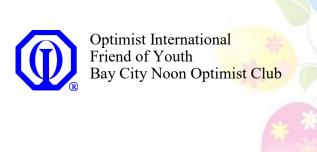
Easter
April 20, 2025

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

Bobbi Gellise



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

Board of Directors

2023-2025 2024-2026 Karen Monville Roberta Spencer Kate Young Jessica Gohs Dana Monville Patti Krenz Sandy Dabrowski

Programs: Roberta Spencer Essay: Patti Krenz Camel Races: Bobbi Gellise & Karen Monville

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

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

> N.O.W Program: Golf Outing; Roberta Spencer Web Site: Dana Monville