



KW Optimist Club-Opti-KW-ips

Helping over 5,200 Kids per year with our Heidelberg Optimist Camp.

September 15th

OCC Summer
Send Off

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President's Message

Well this is it from your 5 time President. Terrific meal provided by our kitchen staff - Opti's Kendra and Justin - spare ribs and sides enjoyed by a fairly good turnout. We swore in a new member - Ralph Wind who also assisted with meal preparation as did PP Rob Parent. Our next dinner meeting is Election of Officer's Night (September 10), where our new executive will be sworn in by our Governor Rick Gillespie. A catered event provided by the Village Caterer. Also a ladies night. Optimist Treasurer Ian will be sending out a message in the near future asking for attendees. Once installed President Ralph and I will co-host the Board Meeting that month to go over the final year of bill payments, budgetary



issues and any new outstanding business. Once done Prez Ralph and Joe will go over the 2024-25 Budget for next year. A budget meeting was held earlier this month with Treasurer Joe presiding and Opti Justin and I along for the ride. I want to apologize to all for my poor performance this year. I was not a very pro-active President due to health issues of my own and my wife's. In fact she is in the hospital

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**Developing a
NEW
Membership
Plan
Let Talk!**

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KW Optimist Club Meetings

Dinner Meetings:
 2nd Tues of the month

Board Meetings:
 4th Tues of the month

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**Special Dinner Meeting
 September 10, 2024**

**Dinner Meeting -
 Visit from Our Governor
 Optimist Rick.**

Also Election of Officer's Night
 (September 10), where our new
 executive will be sworn in by our
Governor Rick Gillespie.

Ladies' night and Catered Dinner so make sure you
 respond to Opt. Ian's email.



Welcome to our New Member Ralph Wind



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**BINGO DATES
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**All dates are Thursday
 evenings**

**Sep-19-2024 • Oct-17-2024
 Nov-14-2024 • Dec-12-2024**

B I N G O

14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

**Me: "I am
 surprised at how
 winded I am by this
 exercise"**

**Personal Trainer:
 "This was the tour
 of the gym"**

Summer Send Off

Cruisin' to Heidelberg

September 15th 9 - 3 Sunday

We need 5 or 6 workers and will be fun.
Optimist Joe running the show.



September 24th Board Meeting - with this year board and next years board members. Please everyone is needed to attain.

Yes President Rick's last board meeting and there is a rumour he might buy everyone a beer for pulling up with him for another year as President.

Membership - Publicity Committee Update

To expand membership and letting everyone know who we are and what we offer.

We are looking at maybe:

Doing a story on the club and maybe publishing it somewhere and on our website.

Next maybe getting Conestoga College Business and Marketing to do a survey for our club and Optimists.

Do up ads and run them locally.

New President & Executive. Special events at the club.

Get someone to work on social media and updating us on improvements.

Have you got any ideas what we can do? !!!
Optimist website had 329 visitors last month.
www.kwoptimist.org



On The Funny Side

I choked on a carrot this morning, and all I could think of was, "I'll bet a doughnut wouldn't have done this to me."

Nothing spoils a good story more than the arrival of an eyewitness.
(Mark Twain)

It's fine to eat a test grape in the produce section, but you take one bite of rotisserie chicken and it's all, "Sir, you need to leave!"

Ask your doctor if a drug with 32 pages of side effects is bad for you.

I just read a book about marriage that says treat your wife like you treated her on your first date. So tonight after dinner I'm dropping her off at her parent's house.

I love bacon. Sometimes I eat it twice a day. It takes my mind off the terrible chest pains I keep getting.

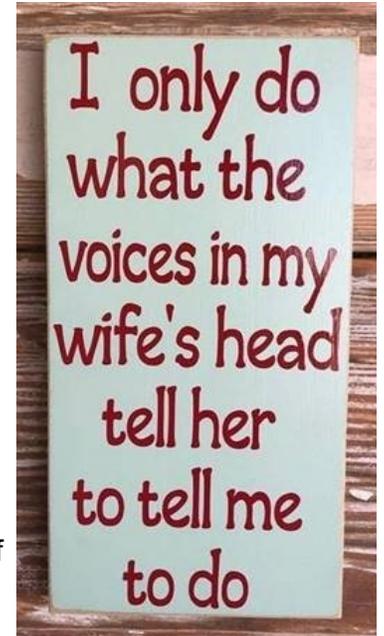
Driver: "What am I supposed to do with this speeding ticket?"

Officer: "Keep it. When you collect four of them, you get a bicycle."

I put our scale in the bathroom corner, and that's where the little liar will stay until it apologizes.

When I was a kid, I used to watch the Wizard of Oz and wonder how someone could talk if they didn't have a brain. Then I got Facebook.

I hate it when people act all intellectual and talk about Mozart when they've never even seen one of his paintings.



The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself

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 too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.



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