



KW Optimist Club-Opti-KW-ips

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

Midwestern
Ontario District
38th
Convention
August 24th



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Developing a
NEW
Membership
Plan
Let Talk!

President's Message

Happy August the 1st or as some say the start of the Dog days of Summer. Thanks to PP George and the boys for hosting a great Bug Show, which netted us close to \$2800.00 dollars. Terrific meal put on by Optimist Kendra on July 17. A little different as it was hot, so she made a sandwich spread where everyone made their own sandwiches with salads. Guest speaker was Annette Penney, a Crisis Response Coordinator with Victim Services who provides assistance to Victims of all ages but mostly children. Well received. Finally The Board accepted a new member to the club, Ralph Wind, father of Justin and Joel on 24 July. To be inducted at the next Dinner meeting in August 13th.



Not much else to say folks, Keep an eye out for kids who are on holidays and old people like me.....Prez Rick.

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August Dinner Meeting

August 13th

Make sure you attend the last summer dinner. As you all know our dinners have been terrific from Optimist Kenda.



Membership & Publicity Committee now enforce

The board has approved to put the two committees together. Working together we hope for better communications and results.

Members watch your emails for an email from us - the first phrase is for you to approve or change your Club Optimist Business card.

These cards are to be given out to anyone, even if you say to someone here is my number and email. Lets show our cards.

The committee will be doing a new brochure, looking at new swag, shirts, hats, socks and maybe even underwear.

We need all members to 2 things - talk about what can we do to improve our property. What we should be doing to get our name out there. I am looking at a Club story to be written. Maybe this story published? Run ads in local papers or even maybe even radio ads. WHAT is happening at the KW Optimist Camp. Social media also - any input from anyone, members are welcome.

Optimist Frank - Chair

Committee Members so far - Optimist George

BINGO DATES
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All dates are
Thursday evening

Aug-22-2024 • 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

How did you meet your husband?

I'm a pharmacist, he come in to buy condoms, asked for XXXXXL And only after we got married I realised that he stutters...



Teddy Bear Program

We are with the Wilmot Fire Department Service now ...

and

NOW ...

We have expanded into the Waterloo Regional Paramedic Service. This is a great opportunity for kids and those who might need a little HUG.

Thanks to

the Regional Paramedical Service

<https://x.com/ROWParamedics/status/1816910101556703344>



**KW Optimist Club
Bear Program**



HOBY CANADA

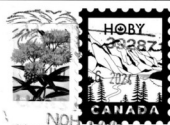
HOBY Canada is a youth leadership organization providing opportunities for youth to develop leadership skills at no personal cost. HOBY Canada provides lifelong leadership development opportunities that empower individuals to achieve their highest potential.

K-W Optimist Members

As you know our club has been a big supporter of HOBY CANADA as continue financial and we had in the pass members go to Hoby to help teach.

Way to go Hoby.

I am Emma and I am from Kitchener. I am attending the HOBY Western Ontario Seminar this weekend and have joined the giggling green gators. I am having an outstanding time and am glad that I am able to meet other leaders that are also interested in impacting ~~their~~ their community! Thank you for your generosity so that I could be here!
HOBY HUGS,
Emma Horie



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* NOTE: a FIRST-TIMER is a member who is attending any Quarter Board or Convention for the FIRST TIME Check in time is 3:00pm and Check out time is 11:00 am... room must be booked by July 23, 2024 Hotel Room: Friday &/or Saturday night (based on availability) overnight parking incl. Select: 1 King or 2 Double/Queen Beds : \$145.00/night plus taxes; Rooms are very limited, and assigned on FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS , so book early. All Optimists, Team & Members, book Reservations directly at: https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/midwesternontariointernational2024/ 2023-24 Team - Hotel ROOMS, please advise REGISTRAR of booking, for inclusion on MWO payment list.																			
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On The Funny Side

'A SHOT OF WHISKEY'

In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents, so did a glass of whiskey. If a cowhand was low on cash, he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.

BUYING THE FARM

This is synonymous with dying. During WW1 soldiers were given life insurance policies worth \$5,000. This was about the price of an average farm so if you died you "bought the farm" for your survivors.

IRON CLAD CONTRACT

This came about from the ironclad ships of the Civil War. It meant something so strong it could not be broken.

RIFF RAFF

The Mississippi River was the main way of travelling from north to south. Riverboats carried passengers and freight but they were expensive so most people used rafts. Everything had the right of way over rafts which were considered cheap. The steering oar on the rafts was called a "riff" and this transposed into riff-raff, meaning low class.

COBWEB

The Old English word for spider" was "cob".

SHIP STATE ROOMS

Travelling by steamboat was considered the height of comfort. Passenger cabins on the boats were not numbered. Instead they were named after states. To this day cabins on ships are called state-rooms.

SHOWBOAT

These were floating theatres built on a barge that was pushed by a steamboat. These played small towns along the Mississippi River. Unlike the boat shown in the movie "Showboat", these did not have an engine. They were gaudy and attention grabbing which is why we say someone who is being the life of the party is showboating".

I just wanna
apologize to the
people I called old
at 40 when I was 18.

**Apparently exercise
helps you with
decision making.
It's true. I went for
a run this morning
and decided I'm
never going again.**



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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