

North Carolina East District Bulletin



3rd Quarter District Meeting April 13, 2024

Message from Governor Terry S. Corle, Sr.

Fellow Optimist of the North Carolina East District:

Let me first start off with saying how much you are appreciated for all the work you and your clubs are doing for the youth of our district. It does my heart good to know that so many of you are doing projects to feed the youth, please continue. As I've said before "one out of five youth in North Carolina goes hungry each and every day".

I've heard that there was good response to the Essay contest and from what I can tell the Oratorical contest was and has attracted many more youth taking advantage of the program this year.

Please continue to do your projects that you have always done but don't forget we can always do more. Optimist International has an entire list of projects that we can be doing or come up with your own. Helping just one youth in our communities is better than helping no one. Think out of the box, ask your members what they would like to do, ask your church pastor where the needs are in your community, and speak with your local school administration as to their needs. There is always projects that other Optimist Clubs are doing that you can copy for your area. The best way to learn about those projects is to attend a district meeting. Don't forget the Optimist International convention is coming up June 22nd – June 26th in Niagara Falls Canada. Registration and

additional information is on the OI website.

Our NCE fourth quarter convention will be held September 12th, 13th & 14th, 2024. Stay tuned for additional information as everything is still in the planning stages.

One thing I will let you know is our theme "Stars on Broadway". We will be doing an Optimist Talent show on Saturday night, so start practicing your talent now as we will need many contestants. Again, more to come.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention we need new members. For every new member, we can reach an additional 35 youth. The fact is we have lost so many members this year that our outreach to the youth has been reduced by not being able to help 2,590 youth in North Carolina. Bring in a new member and build a club and become a "Star on Broadway".

Again, thanks for all that you do and I'm proud and honored to be your Governor this year.



Optimist
INTERNATIONAL

Boys & Girls Homes Ray Cockrell, Chair

What a fantastic day it was this past Saturday as more than 50 Optimists from the East and West traveled to Lake Waccamaw to learn, experience, share and show love for the children in your Optimist Cottage!

Optimists Make a Difference!! You have heard me say this many times, yet those that joined us for Optimist Day 2024 got to experience firsthand the difference that is being made everyday by Optimist across the State.

Those in attendance had the opportunity to meet and hear from President Marc Murphy. Marc and his wife Jen started their career in your Optimist Cottage. They were Teaching Parents back in the 90's in the Optimist Cottage. During their ten-year tenure, Marc started our Foster Care program, Adoption program and the Emergency Shelter. The Murphys went on to serve many children in various capacities and have now come home. This year we are celebrating 25 years of Foster Care and 20 years of our Adoption program – finding forever homes for those children in our care.

A trolley tour across campus revealed many facets of our program that most Optimists in

attendance had not seen. Many shared that they had no idea the size and expanse of our campus and our program. Over 150 acres make up our campus and provide all we are able to offer the children that enter our doors.

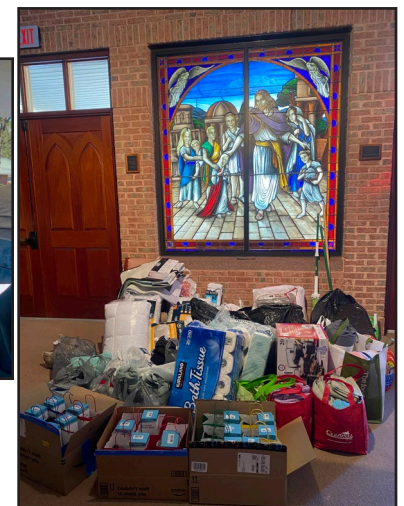
In traditional Optimist fashion, those that attended shared their treasures with our kids. Towels, sheets, bedding, pillows, laundry supplies, shower curtains, pots & pans, cleaning supplies, paper goods and special bags for each of our residents "made with love."

Additionally, many items were donated to help our Country Store. All items sold in the Country Store Thrift Shop provide much needed support to our program of care on campus.

Optimist DO make a difference! And that difference was evident during our day of celebration on the campus of Boys and Girls Homes. THANK YOU OPTIMISTS!!



Ray



View more pictures on our Facebook page!

Bennie Bass, Lt. Governor Zone 1



Wilmington is a small club, yet mighty. We had one student finish third in the Essay District contest and another student is in the Oratorical District contest in April.

Supper Optimist has the Ball Program. They are getting ready for Spring – 500 kids participate in the program - both boys and girls.

Winter Park Club is ready for ball. Around 700 kids participate- both boys and girls . This weekend is their childhood cancer fundraiser benefitting the Boys and Girls Home. They are planning to redo the bathrooms in the Optimist Cottage. Finished the playroom, living room, dining room and hallway of the cottage (ed. looks gorgeous!). The club is really stepping up.



Cape Fear Club does girls softball. Setting up for Spring season. A group went to the Boys and Girls Home in April. Had a good car show and tree season for raising money. Lost a lot of members this past year - trying to get new ones.

Zone meeting – Governor Terry Corle came down and we had we 58 members present. WinterPark & Wilmington showed up for that. The food was good too. Salesbury Steak and fixin’s, best Banana Pudding ever. They make it with cream cheese and it’s next-level eating!



Angela Iwaniuk, Lt. Governor Zones 3 & 4



A Combined Zone 3 & 4 Meeting was held on February 24th with 15 members present representing four clubs in Zone 3 and two clubs in Zone 4. We played some fun games with prizes and shared updates with each other.

Zone 3 Updates

Elm City Optimist Club has 10 members and is continuing to sponsor many school projects through the Elm City Middle School. They will be providing picnic tables and benches in June and planning for a Bunco fundraiser on June 2, 2024. The Bennett Optimist Club currently has 12 members and meets monthly at Parkers with many interesting guest speakers. They are planning another “Kisses for Childhood Cancer” fundraiser outside of Parkers in May. They recently contributed to both OI Childhood Cancer and The Optimist Cottage at the Boys & Girls Home. They continue to offer assistance to



children’s families who are battling childhood cancer and other long-term illnesses.

The Wilson Evening Optimist Club is down to 10 members, and they meet 2 times each month. They made around \$1900 on their Christmas Tree sales, and due to low sales and member participation, plan to discontinue this fundraiser in the future. They are currently sponsoring the 4-H Livestock show coming up soon.

The Wilson Golden Circle Optimist Club, who have 18 members, recently added 2 new

members, but are sad at the loss of long-time member Celia Wise who recently passed away. They had 2 Essay entries and are sponsoring a Club Oratorical contest on March 27th. They are also currently selling raffle tickets on a beautiful quilt made by member Robin Murtha. They are planning for their yearly Golf Tournament fundraiser on September 13th. They are continuing to give a \$1500 scholarship to a deserving high school senior each year. They provided goody bags at Christmas to Long Leaf patients and recently provided Valentine goody bags to all the kids at Middlesex Children’s Home. They have provided over 1500 stuffed animals to Wilson County Sherriff’s dept and continue to support Dee’s House and donate hats to Ronald McDonald House in Greenville. They are beginning to plan for a “Kisses for Childhood Cancer” fundraiser and will possibly be supporting Mile of Hope.

Zone 4 Updates

Roanoke Rapids Optimist Club currently has 24 members and is plus 5 in membership for this year. They are gearing up for a great T-Ball season which starts on March 31st. They recently had their Boston Butt Fundraiser and netted over \$2,000 profit. They have 4 youth who have entered into their Essay Contest, and they held their club Oratorical contest and plan to send their 2 top contestants on to the Zone contest scheduled for March 23rd.



They were sad to see long-time member and former Governor, Russell Leake resign from their club due to health concerns.

The Optimist Club of Greenville had a successful fall operating the ECU Football Concessions and have made contributions to the 4-H Robotics and JCC Foundation who assisted club members with more distributions to follow. In addition, we held a yard sale, sponsoring the Little League Optimist Team, and are sponsoring a participant in the Essay Contest.

The Rocky Mount Blackbird Optimist Club has 13 members and meets once per month. They are currently sponsoring an Oratorical Contest and participated in the Salvation Army bell-ringing during the Christmas season.



David Jennings, Lt. Governor Zone 5

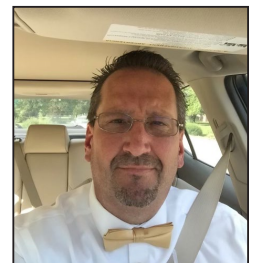
Zone 5 - Q2 Meeting - February 10, 2024

A combined Zone 5 Quarter 2 meeting was held on February 10, 2024 in Raleigh, NC and was attended by members of the Henderson and Wake Forest clubs as well as our esteemed Governor Terry Corle and Secretary Gail Craft.

The Henderson club, now 40 members strong, reported about their recent Feed the Kids day and even shared numerous pictures.

They are also busy with the essay and oratorical contests as well as their fundraiser fish fry coming soon. The Henderson club also announced they will once again partner with the NC DMV to distribute free bike helmets at a bike rodeo in the spring.

The Wake Forest club, now 20 members strong, reported about their ongoing backpack buddies program and their relationship with their JOI club. They are also very dedicated to implementing new JOI clubs in their area. The club is also getting ready for their annual big event – their huge car show. If you are interested in supporting them please give Jonathan Bivens a call or send an email. The Wake Forest club also sought more club to club interaction and they and the Henderson club are going to try and do some events together.



The Chapel Hill club announced that they had a huge and successful “Shop with a Cop” campaign. Trish, the Childhood Health and Wellness Committee Chair, has also reported that they look to continue their partnering and supporting of the Children’s Cancer project in conjunction with UNC Hospital system. If you would like to donate resources or time, please give Trisha Verne a call or email.

David Jennings
Zone 5 Lt. Governor



Timothy Johnson, Lt. Governor Zone 6



A Second Quarter Zone 6 Meeting was held on February 22, 2024, at the Raleigh Optimist Farm, with 8 people present, representing 3 clubs (East Wake, Garner, and Raleigh).

The two year old East Wake Optimist Club, with its 9 members, serves meals at the Boys & Girls Club of Zebulon twice a month. They conducted a “Trunk-or-Treat” event. They also provided 4 families with Thanksgiving dinners. Likewise they provided 4 Christmas dinners and gave Christmas gifts to 5 children. They served a Valentine’s Day meal.

Fundraisers include a Bingo night, which brought in \$2,200, and grants for which they have applied and been awarded. They will participate in the Essay Contest this year.

The Garner Optimist Club reported that they have 33 members. They conducted Christmas Tree sales. In addition to that fundraiser, they hold two barbecue meals a year and a Reverse Raffle event. With those funds they provide 7 scholarships at \$1,000 each. The city of Garner has renamed the Christmas Parade, “The Garner Optimist Christmas Parade,” recognizing all the good they do in that area. The Club holds a “Respect for Law Enforcement” event and is in the process of creating a program in the middle schools, called B.U.G. (Bringing Up a Grade), to recognize and celebrate students who increase their grade one letter grade.

The Optimist Club of Raleigh shared their recent activities and initiatives. They have 45 members. Their primary revenue source comes from renting the Optimist Farm property and the Optimist

Farm Clubhouse for various events and activities, including Scouts, sports teams, and birthday parties. They have a partnership with the Strong Center, which focuses on youth sports, particularly football. The joint venture has created a multi-purpose field, which is used for football and soccer. Funds were raised to extend water and electricity to that area of the Farm. Additionally, three sand volleyball courts on the property are used for competitive volleyball. A portion of those proceeds goes to the Raleigh Optimist Farms Activities Fund.



Areas of the Farm are designated as Easements and protected by Wake County Open Space Preservation initiatives. In those protected areas, the club has planted blueberry bushes and sunflowers and leased a tract to a new farming company which will grow produce for local food banks.

The Raleigh Club sold Christmas trees as well. Their efforts netted over \$7,000. They were presented with a \$2,000 grant from a local community Foundation. Among their other partnerships in a local youth robotics club, the Hitchhikers that meets on the Farm. They compete nationally and internationally, building robots. It is led by two Optimist Club members and they are beginning to research how to fashion themselves into a JOI Club.

The Optimist Club of Raleigh sponsors a local youth mentoring program, called “Boys 2 Men,” which focuses of building character and interpersonal growth. Each summer, the club has a Fishing program which serves 23 or more children, taking them fishing at various lakes

and ponds weekly throughout the summer. It culminates with an annual awards program, presenting trophies for largest and smallest fish caught, largest turtle caught, and more. This program is spearheaded by JG Baker.

Finally, Raleigh Optimist member, Ed Moore oversees a program called "Mile of Hope," which takes approximately 20 families with a child suffering from cancer, to a beachside resort, for an all expenses paid weekend each summer.



Reminder!

If you spend over \$200 feeding the kids in your area- The District will reimburse your club \$200 -one time.

Please email Terry Corle the receipts by September 1st.
governornceast@gmail.com

Always
believe
that
something
wonderful
is about to
happen!

Friend of Youth!

How we communicate to you:

- Facebook: North Carolina East District
- Website: OptimistNCEast.org
- Int'l Website: Optimist.org
- Email: Constant Contact



Around our NC East District!



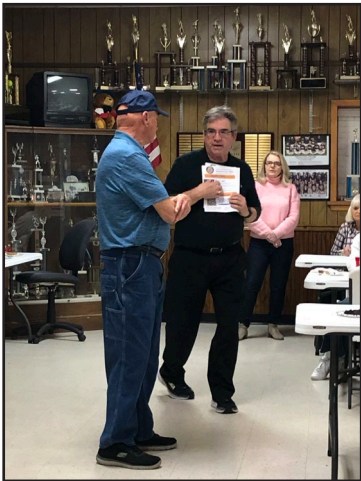
Henderson Club



East Wake



Roanoke Rapids



Cape Fear



Elm City



Goldsboro



Garner



Raleigh



**Wake Forest
& JOI Club**



Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada * Sheraton Fallsview
and Crowne Plaza Fallsview



Saturday, June 22

9 a.m.-12 p.m.	VPs/GOVs Training
9 a.m.-4 p.m.	VPs-Elect/GOVs-Elect Training
11:50 a.m.	Ribbon Cutting
12-6 p.m.	Registration House of Optimism (Expo)
4:30-5:30 p.m.	First Timers Program
7-10 p.m.	Welcome Celebration

Sunday, June 23

Bringing Out the Best in Youth

AM Day breaker

8 a.m.-5 p.m.	House of Optimism (EXPO) Registration
9-11 a.m.	General Session
11 a.m.-12:45 p.m.	Heritage of Optimism Brunch
1-3 p.m.	District Chair Training
1-4 p.m.	Workshops/Officer Trainings
4:30-6 p.m.	OIF Donor Appreciation Recep By invitation
8-10:30 p.m.	Trivia Night

Monday, June 24

Bringing Out the Best in our Communities

AM Day breaker

8 a.m.-5 p.m.	House of Optimism (EXPO) Registration
9-11 a.m.	General Session
11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Town Hall
12-4:30 p.m.	Service Project(s)
1-2 p.m.	Workshops/Officer Trainings
3-4 p.m.	Member Feedback Sessions
6:30-7:30 p.m.	Pre-Banquet Reception
7:30-9:30 p.m.	Presidents Banquet/Gala
9:30-11:30 p.m.	President's Gala/Dance

Tuesday, June 25-

Bringing Out the Best in Ourselves

AM Day breaker

7:30-9 a.m.	OIF Past Pres Breakfast By invitation
8 a.m.-5 p.m.	House of Optimism (EXPO) Registration
9-11 a.m.	General Session
12:45-1:45 p.m.	Credentials
2-5:30 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting
5:45-7:15 p.m.	Wm. H Harrison Recep By invitation
8 p.m.	District Night Out/Dinners

Wednesday, June 26

7:30-9 a.m.	Club Presidents-Elect & Lt. Governors-Elect Breakfast
10 a.m.-6 p.m.	Optional group tours

Member Engagement Sandy Cyphers, Wilmington Club

N.C. East District Club Presidents, Officers,
Chairmen:

How is your club doing?

Do you need assistance with programs, projects,
membership, etc.???????

I have offered my assistance to several of you
and to those of you I have not reached at this
time.....please know I am here to offer my
assistance and help to you and your club.

The Optimist organization's continued existence
is very important to me in having been a member
for over 31 years.

During these 31 years I have had the pleasure
of meetings thousands of other Optimists across
the United States, the Carribean and Canada.
Optimists just like you and I trying to make a
difference in the lives of children and others in
our respective communities.

I ask you this? Who would take our place on
the ballfields as coaches, who would provide
scholarships and recognition to students in our
local schools? Who would provide those needed
toys at christmas for needy kids? Who would help
feed or cloth those kids in our respective towns,
cities and communities if we failed to exist?

Think about what your club does just in your own
community.

You and your club do make a difference!
Continue the good deeds of giving back and
making a difference. Don't give up...don't stop
now....there is still much to do!

Be a part of making a
difference in service to
youth.

Continue to focus
on delivering these
things:

*Optimism

*Purpose

*Engagement

*Relationships

*Accomplishments

Sandy Cyphers,
Past NC. East Governor
Past Optimist International Vice President
Past International Board Member
910-367-3295 Call me anytime



New Club Building **Linda Shepherd – Golden Circle, Blackbird, Elm City**



As New Club Building Chair for our district, I have been very busy this quarter, trying to make things happen. Although we do not have any new clubs to report just yet, I am optimistic that success lies ahead.

Thanks to information from Paige Bivens in the Wake Forest Club as well as her sister member, Aryanah Smith, we have the approval of the college administration to establish a club at Wake Technical Community College in August when the new school year begins. Getting more young people involved is definitely the key to keeping our organization going!

Much effort has been put into establishing a club on the Outer Banks. Contacts were made with two area newspapers, a Dare County School Assistant Superintendent, and members of the sheriff's department, fire department, and police department of several municipalities along the Outer Banks. We scheduled and publicized plans for a meeting that was held at the Kill Devil Hills Recreation Center. However, only one person attended the interest meeting—an acquaintance who had distributed flyers about the planned meeting. So, it appears that we will not be building a club on the Outer Banks at this time. Contacts have been made with staff at two military bases in our district: Fort Liberty and Camp Lejeune.

The answer is not yet a “no” for either of these, but it takes quite a bit for approval to come from the chain of command on these posts.

I recently had a promising meeting with Apex Mayor Jacques Gilbert who introduced me to the Director of their Senior Center. Later I received an email from the Recreation Program Supervisor whom I had not met but who had learned about our hope to establish a club in Apex. She invited us to have an interest meeting in that facility and offered to publicize it ahead of time in their Senior Newsletter! I am currently waiting to hear from her as to when we will have the interest meeting.

Finally, Governor Terry and I have had a few meetings on Zoom with Jim Boyd, Optimist International Director of Strategic Growth. Jim offers suggestions and advises us on techniques to use as we continue our efforts to build new clubs.

Please let me know if you have an idea about where we might establish a new club in our district. I will be more than happy to follow up on your suggestions.

NEW CLUB BUILDING

Essay Contest, 2023-2024 Sandy Cyphers, Wilmington Club

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL 2024 ESSAY CONTEST

OPTIMISIM: HOW IT CONNECTS

YIPPEE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! THANK YOU!
THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to the clubs in the district that submitted Essays from students in your respective community.

There were NINE (9) clubs in the district submitting entries with five (5) young men and (4) young ladies.

The entries were "TERRIFIC" with lots of good ideas and thoughts from the future leaders of our country.

A "BIG THANK YOU" to the clubs in the district that took the time to participated.

OI Foundation Representative Gary Pender, Goldsboro Club

We are off to a slow start this year and way behind in individual and Club giving to the OI Foundation. I'm asking for your help in supporting the Foundation by renewing your President Club, Dime A Day, Women's Philanthropy or just making a Donation to the Foundation.

We need to remember that our District receives \$10,000 in scholarship's from OI Foundation each year. I am willing to visit your club talk to members about the Foundation.

So call me at 919-920-9190 and let's set a date and time for me to visit and finish this year better than last year. Thank You for supporting the OI Foundation.

Gary Pender



For the clubs that failed to participate please feel free to contact me if you are interested in



participating in 2025 and I will gladly visit your club and assist you with this rewarding, fun and easy project for students in your community.

The WINNING STUDENT has been notified and receives a \$2500 Scholarship from the district through the Optimist International Foundation.

The Essay Winner will be at the District Meeting in Lumberton, NC to share with those in attendance their winning Essay contents. Sandy Cyphers N.C. East Essay Chairman



JOI Club Paige Bivens, Wake Forest Club



The JOI of Collaboration

Our Mission in Optimist International states:

“By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves”.

Our JOI Clubs share that mission. They mirror what the Community Clubs do for others. Therefore, it is important that we model well and support their efforts. One of the expectations of our organization is to collaborate with other service organizations in our community. Woven through the fabric of virtually every community on earth, is service clubs.

From our International Optimist Club Website:

“Junior Optimist International Benefits the Community”

Junior Optimist Clubs create an increased number of young volunteers within the community –volunteers who will help to improve the quality of life. They can provide an interesting forum in which to address youth related issues. Junior Optimist International serves as an excellent training



ground for future community leaders. The real purpose of Junior Optimist International Clubs is Community Service. Each Club is free to choose service projects which fit the needs of the community”.

Our JOI Club collaborates with the Wake Forest Optimist Club on several projects. First, they participate in the Crop Hunger Walk Team, where we raise money to help alleviate hunger in the world and our community. Another project is helping to make “no sew” blankets for the Comfort Kits we provide to children in the foster care program.

We collaborate with the Woman’s Club Juniores on this project as well. So we have two high school clubs

collaborating to serve an important need in our community. Optimist Clubs participate in activities to inspire respect for law enforcement among young people and to educate them on the jobs these brave men and women perform.



Our JOI Club does the same by working with the local Police Department and our Community Club on the project Shop With a Cop. The members of the JOI Club entertain the young students who are waiting to go Christmas Shopping with a policeman. They engage in activities with the children from making crafts, reading, and playing with a child and law enforcement.

The goal is to forge a strong, positive, relationship with our local police. Another collaboration effort with the JOI Club is to raise money with the Junioresettes to provide teacher grants which benefit fellow students. Our Wake Forest Club models throughout the year the importance of working with other clubs in our community to benefit others and to increase the impact we may have.



An added bonus for us as adults and for our JOI Club is that there is joy for ourselves and others in collaboration.

CCDHH Gary Pender, Chair, Goldsboro Club



Hello Optimist

I need your Help again this year as of today I have only one contestant that is going to enter the CCDHH contest. We need three to have a contest and I don't want to miss out on presenting a scholarship to a child to help with college. I have set the date for the contest for May 18th at the Goldsboro Club Building.

So please contact your local schools and see if there are any kids that would like to enter. You can call me at 919-920-9190 or email at gpender@nc.rr.com. Thanks for your help and support I look forward hearing from you.

Gary Pender
District CCDHH Chair



Membership Auston Pusey, Cape Fear Club

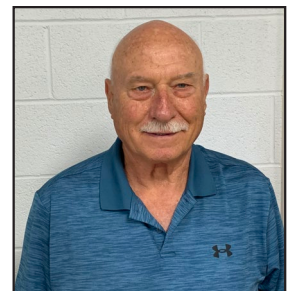
Greetings Fellow Optimists!

I hope everyone is doing well and survived the April Fools pranks.

I wish I had better news as we enter our third quarter. Our District is not doing well at all. We are minus 80 members and ranked 42nd. Our Mid-Atlantic Region is not faring any better, as we are in last place. Our organization is also minus 1684 members to date. How long can we survive this?

I'm at a loss as to what we can do about it. The younger population will volunteer to help, but don't seem to want to commit to an organization. As we age out, we're not getting replacements. We (Cape Fear) have promises, but no commitments (thus far).

We just need to continue asking. I challenge all in a leadership role to bring in at least one new member in the third quarter.



Meanwhile, "Remember, Membership is an honor and privilege.....so SHARE it"

Auston



Oratorical Contest

Timothy Johnson

We're looking forward to the 2024 Oratorical Contest. We have several contestants from several of the six Zones. Seven contestants will compete for the District scholarships. There are three judges for the contest. The first is Ms. Valerie White-Johnson. Valerie is an accomplished public sector professional with more than 30 years of administrative management, non-profit and political expertise. She has served in numerous philanthropic and professional positions, to include high level State Government appointed positions. She is a servant leader at heart and is dedicated to youth-based initiatives.

The second judge is Ms. Pamela Walker, of Raleigh, North Carolina. She is the Immediate Past President of a local Toastmaster's chapter and Executive Board member of StepUp Ministry in Raleigh; She is a long-time member, has held various positions and is a highly active, member of Fountain of Living Waters Church in Raleigh.

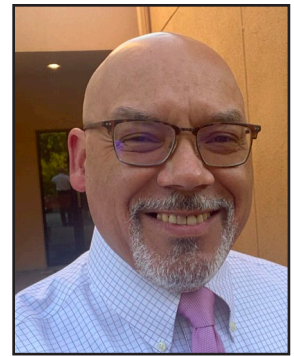
Our third judge is Mr. Willie Hinton, of Raleigh, North Carolina. Mr. Hinton is a Dance Instructor



at Gracefu Expressions Dance Company, a non-profit dance company providing dance instruction and leadership training for young dancers in Cary, NC. He also instructs dance at Walltown Children's Theater and City Ballet Raleigh.

He is a professional dancer in his own right, in addition to instructing youth and adults.

Contestants will be giving a 4-5 minute speech on "How To Change The World With Optimism." Contestants have already competed at the local Club level and Zone level, if applicable. Now they have the chance to earn scholarship money. There will be three winners awarded scholarships. The First Place Winner will receive \$2,500; Second Place will earn \$1,500; and the Third Place will be awarded \$1,000.



Junior Golf

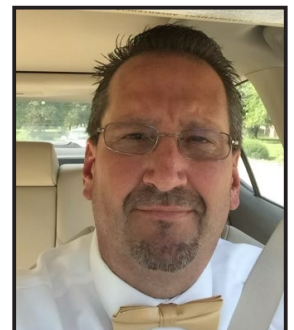
David C Jennings, Henderson Club

Greetings Optimists, The Optimist International Junior Golf Championship is one of the largest and best-known junior golf tournaments in the world. Each year, more than 600 golfers participate in the championship. Optimists have been involved in the sport of junior golf for more than 30 years by holding local, regional, and international tournaments.

The championship consists of qualifiers and culminates with the championship at Trump National Doral Resort and Spa in Miami, FL from July 16-31, 2024. Our NC East Qualifier is on June 11, 2024, at Duplin Country Club at 148 Duplin County Road, Kenansville, NC 28349. It begins at 8 AM. We have tees and towels ordered and we will be putting together bags to give to all our golfers. In addition, we plan on feeding all our participants as they come off the course.

If you have any interest in helping with this event, please let me know. I will have a signup sheet and you can either help with packing the bags or feeding the kids, or if you want, you can just be there for moral support. Thanks for all your help.

David Jennings
zone5ltgovernor2023@gmail.com
252-204-5160



Q1 District Meeting Minutes

Sleep Inn & Suites
Smithfield, NC
November 4, 2023

Governor Terry Corle started the meeting at 9 am.

We have an Optimist Store – decals for car windows, parliamentary procedures, appreciation cards, Lots of goodies. All money goes into the General Fund.

Agenda – we don't always follow. Meeting is more educational. We need your suggestions and ideas.

Gary Pender led us in prayer.
Pledge.

Past Intl VP's: David Griffiths, Sandy Cyphers, Terry Corle.

Past Governors: Sandy Cyphers, Linda Shepherd, Austin Pusey, Ray Cockrell, Gary Pender, David Griffiths, Terry Corle.

First Timers: Debbie Scott from Henderson & Robin Murtha from Golden Circle.

Terry held up an empty jar. It will hold 365 dimes. One year is \$36.50. Every day add a dime.

Budget for this year, 2023-2024.

Linda Shepherd is Finance Chair. Exec Board voted on this version.

First: John Shepherd

Second: Robin Murtha

All in favor: Aye.

\$46,567 Budget – it's a guideline that we go by.

Q4 Minutes:

First: Louwanna Pender

Second: John Shepherd

Any Discussion? No.

All in favor: aye.

Q4 Financials:

First: Sandy Cyphers

Second: David Jennings

Ray gave a full recount during the year since Wayne Sidelinger passed away. We secured both the checkbook and checking account.

Terry Corle - Goal is to build clubs and increase membership as Governor.

Former members may be tired, fed up, changed jobs or now are retired. Give them a call invite them to a meeting. They may say yes Linda helped build the East Wake Club. She's a good point person and excited about our Creed.

Linda started a college club and NC Wesleyan with 18 students.

16 of them are international students. They are from all over the globe.

Terry's goals are five new clubs in the District with 25+ new members.

Feed the Youth! Feed the kids. 1 in 5 go hungry in NC. That's one too many.

Program – if you spend \$200 on a food project. The District will reimburse \$200 back to your club. East Wake feeds 80-100 kids each month 1-2x per month. Little kids 'can I have plate to take to my little brother? It breaks your heart. If you feed youth – keep the receipts for food. The District will reimburse you.

Gail Craft – the East Wake club feeds the kids at the Zebulon Boys and Girls Club. Kids that stay from 6-8pm do not get dinner. They eat lunch at school today and then eat tomorrow at lunch...

Sandy Cyphers – can we send out the district newsletter to the whole district?

Gail Craft – yes we can. All of them are on our website too.

Paige Biven- also agree to send it out.

Terry Corle – International Convention is 6/23- 6/28.

Canada side of Niagara Falls. You will need a passport.

Linda Shepherd – people around should be excited to be there with like minded people. It's a great vacation. Rooms are not expensive.

Terry Corle

Bylaws – update your club bylaws every year. It's just a couple of clicks. President and Secretary can update the changes. Need to change and approve every year.

Tracey Huxley is the new International President. She's having a 'Spreading Optimism Tour'. Contact her before the end of December – Projects only and she'll join you. Tuesday talking points. Link to request a visit.

Our Store – if you want a special order talk to Gail. There are minimums. Coffee Mugs – we have sets of six for company.

Q2 Zone Meetings will take the show to the general public in each zone.

Q3 District meeting will be in the Fayetteville area.

Q4 will be in Raleigh. Looking for reasonable price and

meeting rooms. Majority of our members are in Wilson and west. We will have an "Optimist's Got Talent" night. We will do it up right with judges and comments. General audience will select the winner. We are changing things up a bit.

David Griffiths – Growth

Includes retention, adding new members and building new clubs. Attention equals Retention.

At the end of September, we had a major drop in membership – ended up in the negative. If we maintained retention – 40-50% would have been positive over ten years. We need new members. One new club every year. Loss of membership vs. retention. Need to retain existing members. Everyone must see the value of help to the community. When you give a child a plaque or certificate the parent is so proud. Participate in sports programs. It takes members to do that. Need more and more members to help the community. If a member has financial difficulty or car problem – work with the member to stay as a member. Don't let them resign. This past month lost eight members. Two deceased and six resigned. Retention is every member's job. Work with all your members. New members will get new members. Austin Pusey is the Membership chair. Linda Shepherd is the New Club Building chair. We need to reduce drops each year. Increase members and increase the number of clubs. Grow a strong District. You all do a fantastic job with the youth in this District. Why is there only one JOI club in the District? You have all kinds of JOI clubs. The Robotics club in Raleigh should be a JOI club. Gang up on Timothy! You should be very proud of what you've done. Pay attention to your members. Their family made that commitment to help other children grow and have a positive development. President Tracy created a new position – David is in charge of Growth along with Austin and Linda – they all are powerful and supportive.

Auston Pusey – Membership
"Ditto".

Each club should set goals for the new year. The way to a man's heart is through the stomach. It works for women too. Eat as a club once per month. Meet 15-18x per year. We signed up a third member this morning. We have three major events per year. Ball Tournament, Fall Ball and Car show. We are now an Honor Club.

Linda Shepherd – New Club Building

We want to build new clubs and retain them. Be involved. Four people are from existing clubs, I'm going to help this club thrive. We need to follow through and keep them active. I'm a member of three clubs. They need our enthusiasm. Map of NC East District – whole big area with no clubs. Fayetteville has the military, Carteret County, Jacksonville – we need to spread our optimism! We are counting on you for leads. Who do you know?

Terry Corle – Linda takes it and runs with it. New Members get them in and then we forget about them.

When they are new – they are excited from day one. Assign them a mentor. Give them a check list of who is who. The members are at the top of the OI organization chart. Members control the organization. Not the Governor or President. Every club has an opportunity to vote, speak and approve the budget. Give new members pamphlet of structure of OI, District and clubs. Pass on to your membership. Every member should bring in one new member. Dime A Day is expected. OIF is not a member of OI. They support our programs. The money comes back to us. Give them the OIF mission statement handout. Tell a new member on day one. Will put Mentor Check List on the website. They are joining because they are excited. Have them memorize the Creed. Other organizations required to do that and they are more money to join. BNI (Business Networking Int'l) required to do other things. Dime a Day – Give them the jar. We need you to bring in a new member – They have friends!

Paige Biven's – JOI Club Chair

We have 30 Clubs and two JOI clubs. I took over as JOI advisor. There are three levels of JOI clubs – feeds into the other. We're aging out. It's our responsibility to bring in the youth. All losing members cause of death. Need to sustain. You get the youth involved. I'm aghast that it's 2 out of 30. It's not hard - I do a lot in the community. High schoolers have to have volunteer hours. At the Garden Club we asked kids to come to a JOI meeting. In five minutes explained who we are and seven new members joined. Just Ask. Bug Timothy in Raleigh and the Cape Fear Club. Add at least two new JOI clubs this year. Doesn't have to be at a school – it could be like the Boy Scouts.

Ray – it would be awesome to have a club at the Boys and Girls Home. It would be another tool to succeed at life. Please help me out to build a JOI club, to build our legacy.

Sandy Cyphers – will pay for hotel and registration for a JOI member to attend the JOI convention.

Terry Corle – They have their own convention - it would be a joy to see the other JOI clubs.

Timothy Johnson – it's a process – the existing club has to sponsor. The school system has said no – cause they have to pay an advisor.

Gary Pender – the school system is in our way. Advisors don't have time for two meetings per month.

Terry – then think outside of the box.

Sandy – When you listen to the JOI presidents - you would think that they are grown adults. I was at the JOI convention for six years and they're like professional adults. They don't waste time.

Paige – We guide them, but don't do it all. Their presentations are great.

Sandy – They want to do projects. They are not laggards. You see them grow into Doctors, Teacher, Professors, etc.

Paige - Our youth want to be involved and do projects.

Jonathan – get people involved. They showed up to an events. Kids get volunteer hours and it keeps them involved. Teens walked for CropWalk and also a college student. That's how you get retention. They feel like they are making a difference. They do other projects with us.

Terry – two years ago – the JOI President Sean, is now Governor-Elect of Michigan. He's only 21 years old. They are a great bunch of kids!

Gary Pender – OIF Chair
October 1st begins a brand new year.
Dime A Day – \$36.50/year
Women's Philanthropy \$100

Sandy – is the chairman of Philanthropy – if you donate \$100 at end of year will put you in drawing for \$200.

Gary – that's money out of Sandy's pocket.

President's Club \$250 – only 12 last year, Goal is 20-25
Dime a Day 68 out of 709 – that's very low...
CD Larsen - \$1,000 great way to honor a member. He wrote the Creed.
Honor a veteran. Honor in a meeting - \$100 Banner patch.
The pass through grant is a plain ordinary form. Write a check. Donate and make a difference.

Linda – the difference between OIF and OI. We are supported by OIF.

Gary Pender– OIF does so many great things. We receive \$10,000 from them. They just give it to us. We need to support them. W need the younger generation. Membership goes down every single year. Grant – matching funds – up to \$1,000, raise money, fill out a form, write a description.

NC East last year –
only \$250 to Childhood Wellness
68 Dime a Day
12 President's Club
Out of all the Districts – we are 15th.
We raised \$15,889.39
Top 10 for DFR
723 members = \$11.98/person to OIF
We did great!

In 2022 OIF gave clubs \$723,393. Gave out patches and awards.

Gary will visit clubs.

Sandy – incentive for Optimist Training – gave \$100 to the

names that were not on the list the first time.

Break.

Terry - If you bring in a new member – they used to get a package with a magazine and a pin. Now they send an email, welcome letter, certificate and an electronic magazine.

Notecard – another tool to invite new members. Give to every member of your club. We need plus two in membership. Betty Jo added five more to her roster today.

Sandy – at the end of the year she'll give an award to the member who brings in the most members.

Terry – Honor Club – complete three or more service projects/year. Recognize a club member. Grow your club by three new members. Conduct a NOW night, Club President attend District meeting, both Club President and CFR do training at the OI Institute.
The Institute training is great. Can redo a class and retake the quiz to get 100.
Complete the Club Pride Report, Officer-Elect report, update the bylaws.
Take the time to become a distinguished club.

Linda Shepherd – Scholarship Chair
Oratorical, Essay and CCDHH – have your chairperson's plan and if they have questions, call me.

Timothy – Oratorical Chair
Article in the bulletin. "How to change the world with Optimism". Must be under 18.

Sandy – Essay Chair
Article in the bulletin – "Optimism – How it connects us" under the age of 19. Need essays by February 28th. They win a \$2,500 scholarship. I thoroughly enjoy reading them. If you have any questions, please call.

Terry – OI is strict on those dates.

Sandy – Judges have to read – they are educators or professors. Need 2-3 weeks to turn around.
Date's are on the website.

Linda – start right now. Last year our winner at District level went all the way to International. Didn't win but will try again this year.

David – they pay their own expense to St. Louis. \$2200. There's something in our budget to cover if we have somebody.

Gary – CCDHH Chair
Hearing is less than 40 decibels. Contest in May.
Past two year – three amazing teachers. We need a better incentive. \$200 top prize. Other 2 – 4100 each. A teacher gave \$350 to add to money – A cash incentive means

something to the kids. Will host the contest at our clubhouse in Goldsboro. Will serve the leftover food from our club meeting. Find out about these kids in your club area. Contact the schools.

David Jennings – Jr. Golf Chair

PGA and NC scheduled by 1/1/24. Tiger Woods was a junior golfer. Will reach out for volunteers.

Ray Cockrell – B&G Homes.

Optimists make a difference!

Page 2 in the Bulletin – you are impacting our kids. One is becoming a teacher. Another an insurance agent. He received a promotion to corporate office - he placed his first call to our President at the B&G Homes. He had no family. WE are his family.

The Optimist Cottage was built back in the 1960's. Over last month and a half – 16 A/C units went down. We are constantly moving the kids around. 37 units are over 10 years old.

Sandy – the Civic Association has several initiatives. Replaced a couple of systems. The Capital Campaign took care of the urgent needs. The future is secure to continue to serve the Kids.

Optimists make a Difference!

Sandy is our Special Guest!

She dressed up as a cheer Leader. (we won't mention her age).

Spelled out O.P.T.I.M.I.S.T.

Have a good year!

Bring in new members. Get everyone to your club meetings and Zone Meetings.

Sandy was a cheer leader for the Bull Dogs (wore a different outfit).

Will ask for new members' names and addresses. For joining our organization will get a \$10 gift card. Sandy will visit clubs and meet them there.

Membership is the LIFE of this organization. In May of 1993 – we had 120,000 members. Every year it is going down.

Breaks my heart. Want to see this organization stay alive. For the children.

Every person that brings in a new member – name into drawing \$200 to winner at the convention in Raleigh. JUST ASK. Some people retired. We like to make a difference. Will send Thank you cards to new member and to you. Call me if you need me.

Hip Hip Hooray!

Bennie – we need members. Please clean up your rosters. Don't wait until 9/29

Sandy – Ensure the success of others. Ray is in same club The last night – one club dropped a bunch of members. We don't have time to regroup. Please drop members every quarter.

Austin – we were over 20+ then negative Six. Thought we were an honor District.

Ray was in the top 10. Then he was NOT...

Drawing – Robin won bag of goodies.

Lunch Break.

Terry Corle - Training

Optimist Institute – how to register.

The dashboard show modules completed.

Optimist Media Library – has different webinars.

CARE new program for clubs

New Club Series

Convention info

Join Groups

Questions – contact Heather.

Reports – Club level President, Treasurer, Secretary

Can change email or phone numbers on the site

We have 86 bad email addresses.

Remember to update your bylaws

Remove old members
 Club Officer elect report due by 5/20/24
 Presidents complete the Club pride report.

David Griffiths - Do this every quarter while its's fresh in your mind then turn in at the end of the year.

Terry – optimistnceast.org is our website – Calendar of events, downloads, reports, current bulletin and pictures.

Thank you everybody!

Respectively submitted by:
 Gail Craft, District Secretary
 1.8.24

Registrants

A Jewel Wilson	Goldsboro
Angela Iwaniuk	Bennett-Wilson
Aprell Taylor	Golden Circle Vice President
Auston Pusey	Cape Fear
Bennier Bass	Cape Fear Lt. Gov
Betty Moseley	Roanoke Rapids
Brenda Farmer	Golden Circle
Carey Foster	Roanoke Rapids
David Griffiths	Garner
Debbie Scott	Henderson President
Gary Pender	Goldsboro
Jean McLamb	Golden Circle
Jennings, David	LT. Zone 5 Henderson
Jennings, Jeanetta	Guest
John Shepherd	Blackbird Treasurer
Jonathan Bivens	Wake Forest President
Kimberly Cockrell	Wilmington
Linda Shepherd	Elm City NCB, Finance, Scholarship
Lizbeth Griffiths	Garner
Louwanna Pender	Goldsboro
Paige Bivens	Wake Forest Dist. JOI
Ray Cockrell	43475 Gov Elect Leadership
Robin Murtha	Golden Circle
Sandy Cyphers	OI, Past Gov, Past OIBOD, Etc.
Sandy Pittman	Golden Circle President
Timothy Johnson	Raleigh Lt. Governor
William Iwaniuk	Bennett-Wilson

NC East District Financial Report 10-01-23 to 12-31-23

North Carolina East District 2023-2024								
Account Name		Budgeted	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Actual	Difference
Receipts		Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	
#100	Dues	\$ 11,376.00	\$ 2,262.50				\$ 2,262.50	\$ (9,113.50)
#105	Corporate Partners						\$ -	\$ -
#110	Allotment OI	\$ 711.00					\$ -	\$ (711.00)
#120	Dist Convention	\$ 5,000.00					\$ -	\$ (5,000.00)
#130	Dist Meetings	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,115.00				\$ 1,115.00	\$ (885.00)
#145	Jr. Golf	\$ 2,500.00					\$ -	\$ (2,500.00)
#150	Misc	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#160	Optimist Store	\$ 600.00	\$ 724.00				\$ 724.00	\$ 124.00
#190	OI Foundation Auction						\$ -	\$ -
#191	B&G Homes Auction						\$ -	\$ -
#192	Fifty-Fifty		\$ 95.31				\$ 95.31	\$ 95.31
#650	Transfer Prev Admin	\$ 23,880.66					\$ -	\$ (23,880.66)
#800	CCDHH	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
Total Receipts		\$ 46,567.66	\$ 4,196.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,196.81	\$ (42,370.85)
Account Name		Budgeted	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Actual	Difference
Disbursements		Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	
#200	Governor	\$ 2,500.00					\$ -	\$ (2,500.00)
#210	Lt. Governors	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 142.31				\$ 142.31	\$ (2,357.69)
#250	Secretary/Treasurer	\$ 600.00					\$ -	\$ (600.00)
#255	Governor-Elect	\$ 750.00					\$ -	\$ (750.00)
#260	Immediate Past Gov.	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#261	Past Governor	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#262	B&G Homes Chair	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#283	New Club Building	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#265	Committee Chairs	\$ 6,400.00					\$ -	\$ (6,400.00)
#300	Clerical/Secretary						\$ -	\$ -
#301	Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 17.05				\$ 17.05	\$ (82.95)
#320	Office Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 289.69				\$ 289.69	\$ (10.31)
#330	District Bulletin	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#331	Web Page	\$ 325.00					\$ -	\$ (325.00)
#340	District Directory	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#350	District Convention	\$ 6,000.00					\$ -	\$ (6,000.00)
#360	District Meetings	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,223.53				\$ 1,223.53	\$ (3,276.47)
#361	Lt. Governor's Conf						\$ -	\$ -
#370	Oratorical Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#371	CCDHH Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#380	Jr. Golf	\$ 2,000.00					\$ -	\$ (2,000.00)
#390	Essay Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#400	Badges & Pins Officers	\$ 400.00	\$ 222.97				\$ 222.97	\$ (177.03)
#410	Feed The Youth	\$ 6,000.00					\$ -	\$ (6,000.00)
#411	Awards, Past Year	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#420	Bank Charges	\$ 50.00	\$ 70.56				\$ 70.56	\$ 20.56
#421	Audit Review 990	\$ 100.00					\$ -	\$ (100.00)
#430	Optimist Store	\$ 500.00	\$ 204.47				\$ 204.47	\$ (295.53)
#440	NCB Supplies	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#441	Membership	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#442	A&A	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#443	Personal Growth						\$ -	\$ -
#444	Childhood Health	\$ 2,000.00					\$ -	\$ (2,000.00)
#446	Leadership Develop	\$ 300.00					\$ -	\$ (300.00)
#447	OI Foundation	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#448	Boys and Girls Homes	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#450	Gifts (Guests)	\$ 200.00					\$ -	\$ (200.00)
#470	Miscellaneous	\$ 3,042.66	\$ 128.92				\$ 128.92	\$ (2,913.74)
#480	Previous Admin Exp	\$ 500.00	\$ 96.00				\$ 96.00	\$ (404.00)

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#490	Next Admin Exp	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
Total Disbursements		\$ 46,567.66	\$ 2,395.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,395.50	\$ (44,172.16)
YTD Summary								
Total Receipts			\$ 4,196.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,196.81	
Total Disbursements			\$ 2,395.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,395.50	
Beginning Bank Balance			\$ 23,880.66	\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,681.97		
Receipts			\$ 4,196.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Disbursements			\$ 2,395.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Ending Bank Balance			\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,681.97		

NC East District Financial Report 10-01-23 to 3-31-24

North Carolina East District 2023-2024

Account Name		Budgeted	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Actual	Difference
Receipts		Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	Receipts	
#100	Dues	\$ 11,376.00	\$ 2,262.50	\$ 2,844.50			\$ 5,107.00	\$ (6,269.00)
#105	Corporate Partners						\$ -	\$ -
#110	Allotment OI	\$ 711.00					\$ -	\$ (711.00)
#120	Dist Convention	\$ 5,000.00					\$ -	\$ (5,000.00)
#130	Dist Meetings	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 805.00			\$ 1,920.00	\$ (80.00)
#145	Jr. Golf	\$ 2,500.00					\$ -	\$ (2,500.00)
#150	Misc	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#160	Optimist Store	\$ 600.00	\$ 724.00				\$ 724.00	\$ 124.00
#190	OI Foundation Auction						\$ -	\$ -
#191	B&G Homes Auction						\$ -	\$ -
#192	Fifty-Fifty		\$ 95.31				\$ 95.31	\$ 95.31
#650	Transfer Prev Admin	\$ 23,880.66					\$ -	\$ (23,880.66)
#800	CCDHH	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
Total Receipts		\$ 46,567.66	\$ 4,196.81	\$ 3,649.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,846.31	\$ (38,721.35)
Disbursements		Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	Disb	Difference
#200	Governor	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 143.25			\$ 143.25	\$ (2,356.75)
#210	Lt. Governors	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 142.31	\$ 42.54			\$ 184.85	\$ (2,315.15)
#250	Secretary/Treasurer	\$ 600.00					\$ -	\$ (600.00)
#255	Governor-Elect	\$ 750.00					\$ -	\$ (750.00)
#260	Immediate Past Gov.	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#261	Past Governor	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#262	B&G Homes Chair	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#283	New Club Building	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#265	Committee Chairs	\$ 6,400.00					\$ -	\$ (6,400.00)
#300	Clerical/Secretary						\$ -	\$ -
#301	Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 17.05				\$ 17.05	\$ (82.95)
#320	Office Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 289.69				\$ 289.69	\$ (10.31)
#330	District Bulletin	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#331	Web Page	\$ 325.00					\$ -	\$ (325.00)
#340	District Directory	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#350	District Convention	\$ 6,000.00					\$ -	\$ (6,000.00)
#360	District Meetings	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,223.53	\$ 1,287.00			\$ 2,510.53	\$ (1,989.47)
#361	Lt. Governor's Conf						\$ -	\$ -
#370	Oratorical Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#371	CCDHH Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#380	Jr. Golf	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 980.62			\$ 980.62	\$ (1,019.38)
#390	Essay Contest	\$ 1,000.00					\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
#400	Badges & Pins Officers	\$ 400.00	\$ 222.97				\$ 222.97	\$ (177.03)
#410	Feed The Youth	\$ 6,000.00		\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ (5,800.00)
#411	Awards, Past Year	\$ 500.00		\$ 809.26			\$ 809.26	\$ 309.26
#420	Bank Charges	\$ 50.00	\$ 70.56				\$ 70.56	\$ 20.56
#421	Audit Review 990	\$ 100.00					\$ -	\$ (100.00)
#430	Optimist Store	\$ 500.00	\$ 204.47	\$ 233.75			\$ 438.22	\$ (61.78)
#440	NCB Supplies	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#441	Membership	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#442	A&A	\$ -					\$ -	\$ -
#443	Personal Growth						\$ -	\$ -
#444	Childhood Health	\$ 2,000.00					\$ -	\$ (2,000.00)
#446	Leadership Develop	\$ 300.00					\$ -	\$ (300.00)
#447	OI Foundation	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#448	Boys and Girls Homes	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
#450	Gifts (Guests)	\$ 200.00					\$ -	\$ (200.00)
#470	Miscellaneous	\$ 3,042.66	\$ 128.92				\$ 128.92	\$ (2,913.74)
#480	Previous Admin Exp	\$ 500.00	\$ 96.00				\$ 96.00	\$ (404.00)
#490	Next Admin Exp	\$ 500.00					\$ -	\$ (500.00)
Total Disbursements		\$ 46,567.66	\$ 2,395.50	\$ 3,696.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,091.92	\$ (40,475.74)
YTD Summary								
Total Receipts			\$ 4,196.81	\$ 3,649.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,846.31	
Total Disbursements			\$ 2,395.50	\$ 3,696.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,091.92	
Beginning Bank Balance			\$ 23,880.66	\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,635.05	\$ 25,635.05		
Receipts			\$ 4,196.81	\$ 3,649.50	\$ -	\$ -		
Disbursements			\$ 2,395.50	\$ 3,696.42	\$ -	\$ -		
Ending Bank Balance			\$ 25,681.97	\$ 25,635.05	\$ 25,635.05	\$ 25,635.05		

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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