

North Carolina East Optimist Bulletin

Greetings Optimists!

We are so fortunate to be Optimists! Don't you agree?

We have so many wonderful opportunities to help the youth in our community, and the privilege of working alongside other Optimists, and we have the beautiful Optimist Creed for inspiration!

Let's share this special blessing with others and invite them into our wonderful organization! You will be doing something good for them and for our organization!

Thank you for all your perseverance during the COVID-19 pandemic! We are finally beginning to see the end of COVID. Also, thank you for all the hard work you do for your clubs, in your community and for our district!

As Dr. Seuss says "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

Thank you for caring a whole awful lot!

Angela Iwaniuk

Governor
2020-2021



District New Club Building

Hello, Optimist Friends!

Efforts are currently being made to build a Special Needs Club in Wilson. There is already a Special Needs Club in Zone #1, and there

is a good chance a Special Needs Club could be built in your area.

Per Jim Boyd, Director of Strategic Growth at Optimist International, "Development of a Special Needs Optimist Club is not without its challenges. But the short term hurdles that may have to be cleared during the development process are far outweighed by the long term benefits of providing community service opportunities to this segment of society. You will also be affording them avenues for personal development that otherwise may not be accessible to them."

The requirements for a Special Needs Club differ a bit from the requirements for a regular club. At least 50 % of the members must be designated as Special

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(ENERGY = MANY CLUBS²)

- The charter fee is now \$325 for regular adult Optimist Clubs.
- Districts that build one new club between March 1 and June 1, 2021, receive two new club building credits.

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Needs individuals. Each member pays dues of only \$10 per year. The Affiliation Fee for a Special Needs Club is only \$225. As with regular clubs, the sponsoring club is encouraged to assist with this fee.

If you would like to look into developing this type of club in your zone, there is a Special Needs Advisor Guide available from Optimist International.

For building traditional clubs, please peruse the graphic above to see changes that are in effect for this Optimist year. Note the reduction in the charter fee and the doubling of credits that will help your club become an

Honor Club or a Distinguished Club.

Please let me know if I can assist you in the building of a new Optimist club. I am...



Forever an Optimist!

Linda Shepherd

District Membership

Greetings from your membership chair. Thank you for representing Optimist positively and bring in 5 new members. Please keep up the great work and living the Optimist Creed.

It has been a difficult year and with the vaccines, masks and social distancing, it appears that we are in the process of this country steadily improving. It helps to have the Optimist Creed posted and reading it periodically for our ability to keep a positive atti-

tude and that helps us achieve our optimist goals to serve the youth in our areas.

Blessings,
Brenda Farmer
Membership Chair



OI Convention Ambassador

Hello, District #43 Optimists!

The 103rd Optimist International Convention is coming up soon in Atlanta, Georgia! It will be a live, in-person event with mask wearing, social distancing, and following current COVID-19 health directives.

What a wonderful opportunity we have to interact with Optimists from other districts, to be a part of the business of our parent organization, and to be re-energized as we receive training and helpful ideas on ways to enhance effectiveness in our outreach! It will also be an opportunity to get better acquainted with members from NC East, as we will be dining out together one evening. There is plenty to explore on your own in the Atlanta area, and a group outing to a Braves vs Marlins game is being organized by the Convention Committee. Here is the link for convention registration:

<https://www.optimist.org/reg/?e=CONV&m=2021>

Getting There

There is a great schedule of roundtrip flights from Raleigh-Durham, and the cost seems to be around \$200. Flights from Wilmington appear to be a little more expensive, around \$240, and from Greenville, about \$230.

Of course, some of you might prefer to drive your car, and that is certainly a possibility as driving time from all points in eastern North Carolina appear to be about 6 hours for a distance of around 400 miles.

There are two drawbacks to driving: (1) Atlanta traffic can be horrendous and (2) the cost of parking at

the hotel is \$50 per day! For that, you could easily pay for a flight and use Uber or a taxi wherever you need to go if it is too far to walk!

Hotel Accommodations

Here is the link for registering at the convention hotel, a showplace in and of itself:

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/ATLRA/G-OPTI>



Freetime Activities

For places to go and sites to see in Atlanta, check here:

<https://discoveratlanta.com/>

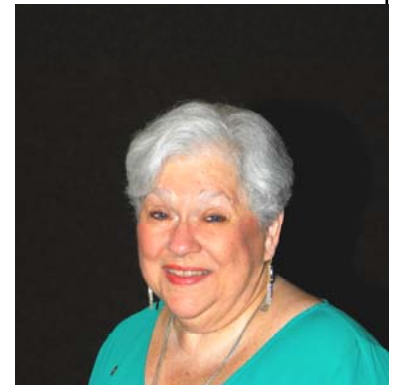
Let's represent NC East well and show other districts how excited we are to be Optimists! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. I am...

Forever an Optimist!

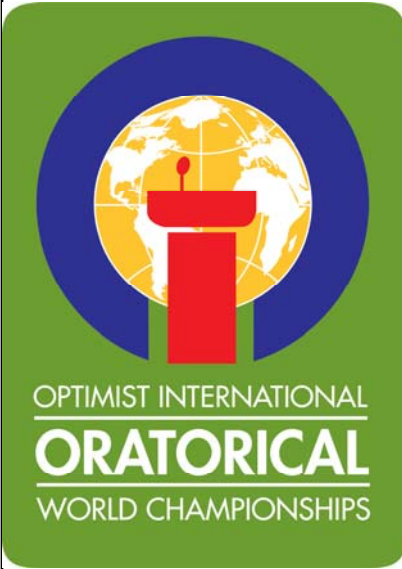
Linda Shepherd

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District Oratorical Contest



Hello Fellow Optimists,
By now you have held your Club Oratorical Contest and have had contestants participate in your respective Zone Oratorical Contest. Contestants have presented their perspectives on the topic for the 2020-21 school year which is:

"Healing the World with Optimism."

Lt. Governors have submitted their top speakers for participation in the NC East District Oratorical Contest and some gifted speaker will advance to the Regional Competition which will be scheduled by Optimist International. I am so, so glad that the district contest is being conducted via ZOOM. With the recent announcement by Optimist International that regional and international contests will be held using ZOOM, we are providing additional experience to our contestants by utilizing ZOOM for the district contest.

My sincere appreciation to each club who sponsored club contests and to the Lt. Governors who

held Zone Contests. This is an excellent opportunity for the youth in our communities to participate in and seek scholarship funds to further their education. If your club sponsored an oratorical contest, "Thank You!" If your club did not participate this year, please consider offering this awesome program next year to your community. Should you need guidance, please know that you are only a phone call or email away to receive assistance from the NC East District Oratorical Chair.

It has been my distinct honor and privilege to serve as your NC East District Oratorical Chair for the 2020-2021 year. I have enjoyed hearing the many presentations from our gifted speakers.



Remember —
"Serving Youth Today--Grows Optimists for Tomorrow!"

Yours in Optimism,

Lou Anna Hardee

2020-2021 NCE Oratorical Chair

Wake Forest Sponsors Kars for Kids Project

We have \$4,450 in Sponsorships so far!

May 14th is next meeting.

Dairy Queen will not allow us to use their parking lot. Claiming Spirit Day. Lumpy's has been invited.

Please like the Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/KarsforKidsatTheMarket>



District Convention

N.C. EAST OPTIMIST DISTRICT SUMMER CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 16TH, 17TH, 18TH
WILMINGTON, NC
HOTEL BALLAST BY THE RIVER CAPE FEAR RIVER

FUN! FUN! FELLOWSHIP, TRAINING, GOOD FOOD, SHOPPING, GIFTS AND SANTA CLAUSE HIMSELF!

What more could you ask for at a conference?

Thursday Night will be the Past Governor's Dinner with everyone invited and great entertainment provided by Duke Ladd and his wife offsite.



Friday afternoon training will be provided for new leaders in the clubs and district and perspective future leaders at the hotel.

Friday Night we will be celebrating an early Christmas at the Cape Fear Optimist Club House where they will provide great food for those attending. The theme for the evening is "If Every Day Could be Just Like Christmas." Santa, yes, a real like Santa will be with us for you to sit on his lap if you so desire), free gifts to everyone, an ugly sweater contest, fun Christmas games and do not forget to bring a Visa, Mastercard, check book or cash to place in Santa's Mailbox for the Boys & Girls Homes.

Saturday Morning will be the annual Olde Timer's Breakfast acknowledging the old, the young and the First Timers along with a guest speaker. The District Business Meeting will follow with important information to all N.C. East Optimists.

Saturday Evening those in attendance will celebrate the close of the 39th year as the North Carolina East Optimist District

with a banquet celebration dinner recognizing our current Governor for her year of service and celebrating the outgoing administration and the incoming new administration.



The weekend will only be successful with the participation of you our district optimist members. Make plans to attend and share in the training and fellowship. Be part of the experience. We look forward to seeing you.

Sandy Cyphers
Carey Foster
N.C. East Optimist District
Co-Chairmen





OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL

F O U N D A T I O N

The Optimist International Foundation's motto is "Helping Optimist Help Kids". Since we are celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Foundation, I thought this would be the appropriate time to get more Optimist helping the Foundation. I think we will meet our goals this year of providing more funding for the Foundation. But my main goal of getting fifty percent of our members donating something (\$5.00) or more and most of our clubs donating \$50.00 or more will not be met.

It will take every club president and Club Foundation Rep pushing this goal in order to meet it. We need all of you helping.

As I've said before, I have committed to donating \$100. above my regular donation for every Presi-

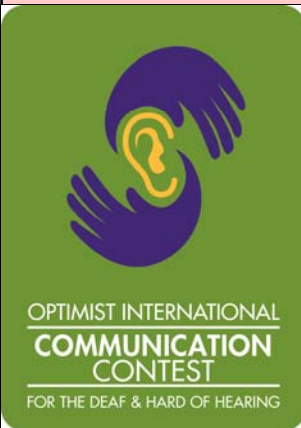
dent's Club member above ten, that we have for this year. My goal is to have twenty President's Club members and we are currently at fifteen. I feel that we will meet this goal. Our total Dollar Goal; is \$20,000 and I think we will meet this goal.

The goals we set and the amount of money we raise is nothing without your help. Let's all work to make this fiftieth anniversary one to really remember.

Thank you for all your help and if you have any questions about the Foundation, please let me know.

THANKS,

Communications Contest for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing



.The Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing will be held May 15th in Goldsboro. I will have the picture and write-up of the winner in the next bulletin.

Bill Edgerton

District CCDHH
Chair

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Junior Optimist International

Hello again Optimist! What an opportunity we have to show our "Optimistic colors" amid the ongoing Covid pandemic and subsequent negative aura surrounding us! As Optimists we should embrace such times and let others see "our light!" Let them see that

we are still the torch-bearers of all that is optimistic in our country, region and in our own neighborhoods.

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Marketing, Social Media & Webmaster

Hi NC East Optimists!

Another Quarter has gone by and we are slowly emerging from our caves!

Hopefully, you have had both of your shots by now. I did and I can't wait to start meeting again with other HUMANS.

The biggest problem that we all have during this pandemic is the lack of social contact. We are also losing members because we are not meeting in person anymore.

So, we need to keep everyone engaged!

Please call your members and check on them. A phone call can go a very, very long way. My Mom, who is 86 (please don't tell anyone), literally lights up when the phone rings. It's such a simple thing to do and will make the phone recipient feel wanted.

If people use email - please send them a positive thought every week. Just emailing to say 'Hi!'.

Good 'ole mail works wonders too! Buy a pack of cards 'Thinking of you' from Walmart and send them out. "Yeah! It's not a bill and somebody remembers me!"



For Optimist business - if you are using Zoom - GREAT.

Have someone mail or email the notes of the meeting to all members. In

Wake Forest, we send out a newsletter (as a PDF) twice per month- after our biweekly meetings.

If you need help with Zoom - please reach out to me and I can help. It's easy and people can log in just using their phones - no video needed. It will keep the group connected.

We still need to meet (somehow), stay connected and fundraise. We still need to help the kids out there that need/depend on our help.

Have you helped a kid today?

Keep on Choosing Optimism!

Gail J



Gail Craft District Chair.

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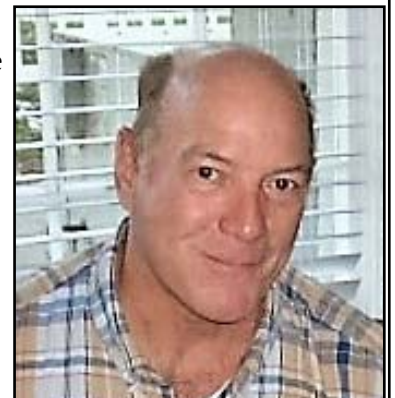
What better way to make this happen than through the young people in our midst! While prices of consumer goods have sky-rocketed, the best bargain going is still at a rock bottom cost. That, of course is the cost of establishing a JOI Club, under the umbrella of your parent club. There is a one-time enrollment fee of \$50, an annual registration fee of \$60 and membership dues are as follows: \$8 per member per year for Alpha Clubs and \$10

per member per year for Junior Optimist and Octagon Clubs.

Contact me about taking advantage of these bargain basement prices. I'll see to it that you get the same budget busting cost as others who came before you! Do yourself a favor and look to be a part of something special in your church, school or neighborhood. It's your future we're talking about!!



per member per year for Alpha Clubs and \$10



Sam Toler, District JOI Chair

THE OPTIMIST

International Junior Golf Championships



The District sponsored a Qualifying Tournament at Wedgewood Golf Course in Wilson on Saturday – May 1st. The District also co-sponsored a Qualifier Tournament with The Tarheel Youth Golf Association at their “Down East Tournament” on April 24th & 25th.

Forty-six golfers played in New Bern and 31 qualified to go to Florida in July. Sixteen golfers played in Wilson and 10 qualified to go to Florida in July.



Kendall Weaver from Benson Girls 15-18 Winner



Drew O'Neal – Boys 16-18 Winner with Golf Chair
Dennis Medlin



Daniel Spear – Boys 14-15 Winner with Golf Chair
Dennis Medlin



Chase Duncan – Boys 12-13 Winner With Dennis
Medlin

Thanks to all Junior Golf Volunteers





Optimist Day 2021

Virtual Event • May 29 • 2 p.m.

Sponsored by NC Optimist Districts East and West



Featuring:

- A virtual tour of Optimist Cottage, Lake House & Leamon Rogers Memorial Chapel
- A performance by the Praise Team
- Remarks by new B&GH President/CEO Ricky Creech

Visit the B&GH Facebook page for updates in the coming weeks.

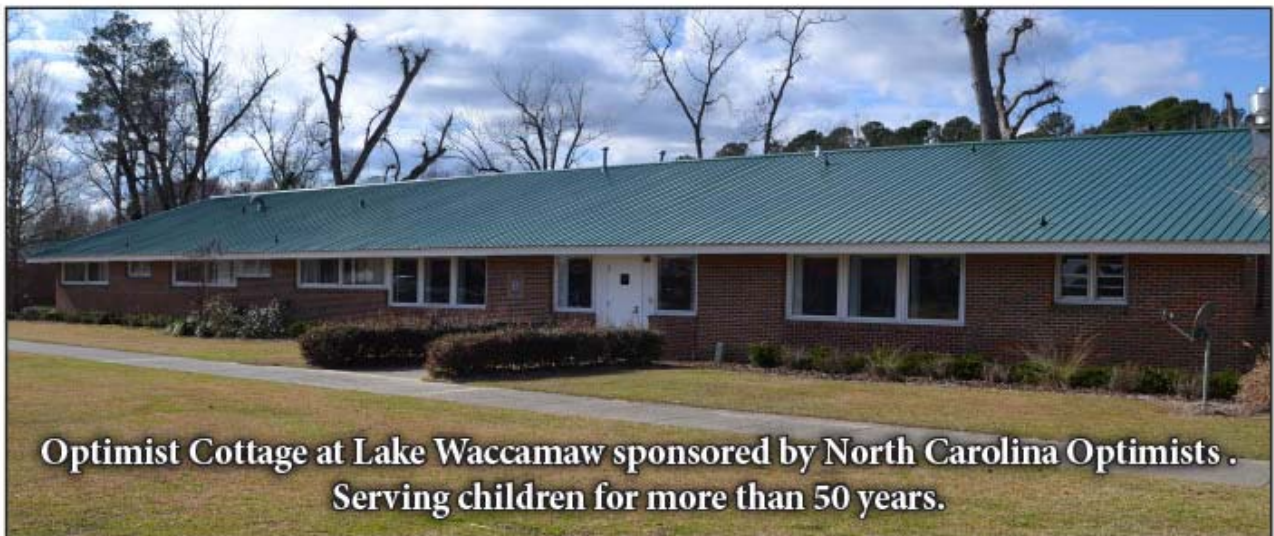
Register in advance for this meeting:

[https://zoom.us/meeting/register/](https://zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?meetingRef=91ju30H-XcfPdum0)

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(After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.)

For more information, contact Dr. Mason Fuller Smith
910-646-3083 ext. 241 or mason.smith@bghnc.org



Optimist Cottage at Lake Waccamaw sponsored by North Carolina Optimists .
Serving children for more than 50 years.



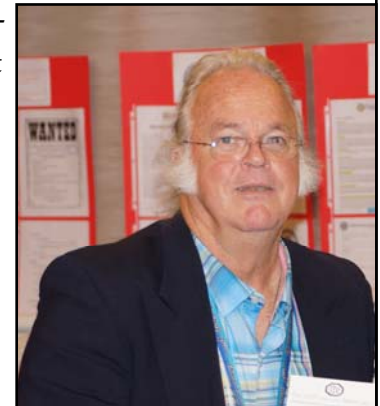
What a exciting year we are hoping that 2021 brings to the B&G Home. All the kids at the home are safe and healthy thanks to the staff at the home. The Optimist cottage is currently being used as a sibling cottage where they are trying to keep them together what a great idea. As you all know 2020 was a hard year for everyone not being able to meet, have fund raisers, serve the kids as we are use to. Each year all civic club chairs for the B&G Home have a fund raiser and this year we are going to have a raffle and we are asking for your help in doing so. We are collecting gift cards from Walmart, Target, Food Lion Gas cards or wherever we can get them. We are going to put together 3 gift baskets and have a drawing in September. The ticket sale for the gift baskets will be going on sale soon and I know I'm

asking a lot but with your help we can do this. I also would like to give you an up date on Betty Faircloth Gary's wife she is not doing well and I'm asking for your pray-ers for both of them.



Ray Cockrell, B&G Home

Remember there are other ways to give to the home by donation. Donate to the Country Store ,the Century Club \$100.00 or a Walt Armentrout Fellow-ship \$500.00 what a great way to honor a mem-ber from your club. I look forward to seeing and hearing from all of you this year and THANK YOU for your support for the Kids of the BOYS and GIRLS HOME of NC.



Gary Pender B&G Home

District A & A

Good morning NC East district club presidents and club members. With the weather becoming warmer and the governor of North Carolina allowing less restrictions on activity in the state I hope your club is able to begin some of the regular projects your club sponsors are returning to the youth in your commu-nity.

I would like each club in the district to send me an A&A report for the 3rd quarter. the report shows what projects your club is providing in your commu-nity. This is a great way for Optimist International, the NC East District and all the NC East district clubs ideas for providing new programs in all the community served by the NC East optimist district.

The A&A report forms are on the district web site and I have provided each club presidents with the forms and the directions on how to complete the

form. I will send your club forms again if you re-quest them. Many new clubs may benefit on hearing about your club's project and decide to begin the project because your club discussed the project. I want to remind each club that Barbara and I will send the NC Boys and Girls home a \$10.00 do-nation in your clubs honor for each report I receive this year. Help me and Barbara sup-port the kids at the home.

Thanks for the reports I received in the 1st and 2nd quarter and I am looking forward for many more in the 3rd and 4th quarters.



Dan Durham A & A Chair

North Carolina East District

Optimist International

2nd Quarter District Board Meeting

Saturday, February 13, 2021

The following members of the Executive Committee were present:

Angela Iwaniuk	Governor
Russell Leake	Immediate Past Gov.
Carey Foster	Past Governor
Carol Collier	District Secretary
Wayne Sidelinger	District Treasurer
Sandy Cyphers	OI Board Director

Clubs Represented: 10

Zone 1:

Zone 3: Goldsboro, Wilson Golden Circle, Wilson Evening, Wilson Breakfast, Bennett Club

Zone 4: Greenville, Roanoke Rapids

Zone 5:

Total Members Present:

Governor Angela Iwaniuk called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance and those that joined us virtually. Ray Cockrell led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Former Governor, Bill Edgerton gave the opening invocation.

Governor Angela Iwaniuk welcomed our first-timers and all past governors. There were nine past Governors on virtual attendance. We welcomed Dinorah Keeth as our first-timer.

Carol Collier read the minutes from our first quarter meeting. Carlton Baird made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Brenda Farmer seconded the motion.

Wayne Sidelinger presented the financial report. He mentioned that we were currently in good shape financially as we did not spend much money during the 2019-20 fiscal year possibly due to COVID. Gary Pender made a motion to approve the financial report and Sandy Cyphers seconded. The minutes and financial reports were approved by all members.

Committee Reports:

Dan Durham, **A&A** Chair - Six clubs participated in the A&A reports. Everyone should have received the form to fill out a report. Greenville Optimist Club and Wake Forest were the top clubs for A&A. Dan tried to encourage each club to participate in the A&A report for the third District meeting.

Gary Pender and Ray Cockrell, **Boys and Girls Home** Chair - Gary reported that Ricky is doing a great job at the Boys and Girls Home. The Optimist cottage is currently house sibilings. They are trying to keep families together if possible. They are asking for donations to the Country store. They stated that gift cards to Target or Wal-Mart would be appreciated for a raffle that will be held in September. Ray told a story about a child that would not participate in activities when he first arrived. That got him involved in painting furniture in the Vocational program, and he is now actively participating in group activities. Ray thanked everyone for all we do to support the Boys and Girls Home. He plans to have a virtual Optimist day in May.

Trish Verne, **Childhood Health and Wellness Chair** - Trish stated that there was not much happening right now due to COVID restrictions. She stated that they are in need of diapers and formula. She told the story of how the NC Diaper Bank got started under the Wonder Connection at UNC Hospitals. Anyone that wishes to donate to the NC Diaper Bank, may send their check to Trish.

Linda Shepherd, **Optimist International Ambassador - Linda** encouraged everyone to attend the OI Convention in Atlanta this summer. The convention will be held June 30 - July 3, 2021 and you may register online. There will be many opportunities for some great training at the convention. The theme this year is "Coke, It's the Real Thing - Atlanta".

Linda Shepherd, **New Club Building, Chair** - Linda suggested that since more people are now using zoom, this could create more possibilities to connect with people all over the world and bring in new ideas. She suggested that you could try to start a club in other countries if you have connections. Linda started a club in France a few years ago.

Sandy Cyphers/Carey Foster - **District Convention Chair** - Sandy informed everyone that our District Convention will be held at the Cape Fear Hotel Ballast in Wilmington on September 16th - 18th. Our theme will be "If Every Day Could Be Like Christmas". On Friday, there will be Training for Leaders. She suggested that place a \$20 donation to the Boys and Girls Home, in the Santa Box.

Sandy Cyphers, **Essay Contest Chair** - Sandy reminded everyone that the deadline for the Essay contest is February 28, 2021. The topic this year is "Reaching Your Dreams by Choosing Opti-

mism". Any youth under the age of 19 as of October 1, 2020 is eligible to enter unless they are enrolled in a post-secondary institution. If you have any further questions concerning the Essay Contest, please see Sandy. She will announce the winner at our third district meeting in May.

Lou Anna Hardee, **Oratorical Contest Chair** - Lou Anna reminded everyone that the deadline to submit winners to Optimist International is May 15, 2021. The topic this year is "Healing the World with Optimism". Lou Anna stated that she had sent out information to all Lt. Governors and only three had shown interest in participating so far. She stated that we may have to do the contest by zoom this year. Any youth under the age of 19 as of October 1, 2020 (and not enrolled as a degree seeking student of a post-secondary institution) is eligible to enter the contest. Lou Anna reminded everyone that they must submit the contestants name to her by May 1, 2021. She thanked everyone for their support and encouraged us to contact her if we had any further questions.

Dennis Medlin, **Junior Golf Chair** - David Hodges, our long time Junior Golf chairman, resigned earlier this year. We are very pleased to welcome Dennis Medlin as our new Junior Gold chairman. Dennis reminded everyone that we will have a Junior Golf tournament at Wedgewood Public Golf course on Saturday, May 1, 2021 beginning at 1:00. He encouraged anyone that is willing to help out, to please come out to Wedgewood on that date. He stated that the Mahler Thorp donations will not be corporate donations this year. He encouraged each club to donate if they were able and felt lead to do so. He thanked everyone in advance for their help with Junior Golf.

Brenda Farmer, **Membership Chair** - Brenda

was pleased to announce that we had eleven new members during the first quarter. She stated that she knew we all had at least one friend that we could invite to a meeting. She encouraged us to make phone calls or visit friends that we thought might be interested in joining.

Brenda announced that the club that brings in the most new members by September 30, 2021 will receive a surprise!

Billy Edgerton, **Optimist International Foundation** Chair - Billy recalled that at his first OI Convention, there was a gentleman that donated a million dollars to the OI Foundation. He said that for years he was the only member of the William H. Harrison Society, but now our district has two members. Billy's goals for this year are for each member to give \$50.00 to Dime-A-Day and for 50% of all members to give "anything" even if it's \$5.00. He reminded everyone that each club that donates \$365 unrestricted or \$1 a day, will receive a club banner patch. You may send donations to Bill Edgerton at his website - Testimony.

Billy Edgerton, **CCDHH** Chair - Billy stated that for years we have held the CCDHH contest in May at the Eastern NC School for the Deaf in Wilson, NC. He was informed last year that the School for the Deaf will no longer host the contest. He encouraged each club to help seek out qualified candidates for this contest. Every school district has students that are deaf or hard of hearing. We need to find these students and encourage them to enter this scholarship contest.

Gail Craft, **Marketing/Webmaster** Chair - Gail asked for ideas about fund raising. She said that Papa Murphy's pizza will partner with you to support your organization by donating free

product or a percent of sales. Gail said she would be happy to help anyone that needs her support in setting up a zoom meeting.

Russell Leake, **Candidate Qualifications** Chair - Russell is actively seeking a Governor elect for the 2022 - 23 fiscal year. He has contacted all Lt. Governors but no has come forward with a candidate at this time. He asked that if anyone would be will to step up and assume this important position, please let him know. He stated that the Roanoke Rapids club did not sell Christmas trees this year. He informed everyone that they made \$2700 in Boston Butt sales.

Sandy Cyphers and Linda Shepherd won the Valentine Bingo game. They each were able to fill in nineteen squares. They will each receive a \$10.00 Wal-Mart gift card. Linda Shepherd won the Crossword puzzle and will receive free registration to the District Meeting. Linda and John Shepherd were the winners of the Photo Contest.

Optimist International Vice-President, Terry Corle, reminded us that May was "Optimist In Action" month. He is looking forward to seeing everyone at our third district meeting in Cary in May. He stated that each club's President and Secretary needs to review and update your club by-laws each year. He wants each club that is not currently meeting in person to consider doing so as soon as possible. He encourages each club to "reinvent yourself" as you start your meetings back up. He was proud to announce that our own Governor, Angela Iwaniuk, has been in the top ten Governor's several times for our region. Terry reminded everyone that he will have a Zoom meeting every fourth Monday night at 7:00. He encourages each member to join in on the meetings.

Governor-Elect, Pam Franks, stated that she hopes each club will begin meeting in person by this summer. She reminded everyone that she will be involved in Governor-elect training in March. She encouraged everyone to not hesitate to contact her if they had any questions that she may be able to help with.

Governor, Angela Iwaniuk, thanked everyone for attending the virtual meeting. She stated that the COVID numbers are on the decline and she hopes we will be able to meet in person at our third quarter meeting in Cary on May 7th - 8th. She hopes to see every there.

Sandy Cyphers recognized Wayne Sidelinger's 93rd Birthday.

Wayne lead as we all recited the Optimist Creed.

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.



Carol Collier
District
Secretary

District Essay Contest

YIPPEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE we have a WINNER N.C. EAST OPTIMIST!!!!!!

A big Thank You to the eight clubs in the N.C. East District who conducted and submitted essays for judging in the 2021 District Essay Contest. Your clubs made this a successful district essay competition. A total of 102 students participated within the eight clubs.

The essays received were outstanding and all contestants should be commended on their time, talents, writing skills, ideas, correctness, vocabulary skills and their interest in participating. There are numerous future authors, writers, editors, news reporters and journalists from this remarkable group of young people.

Please motivate and excite this group of entries that did not place or win to participate in the 2021 Essay Contest if they are still of age. I had the pleasure of reading all the wonderful essays submitted and know personally how hard it

was for the judges to finalize their decisions for the winner and two Runner-up.

The winner of the 2021 N.C. East District Essay Contest and a \$2500 scholarship is Jacob Bastian sponsored by the Cape Fear Optimist Club.

**Sandy Cyphers. N.C. East
District Essay Chair**

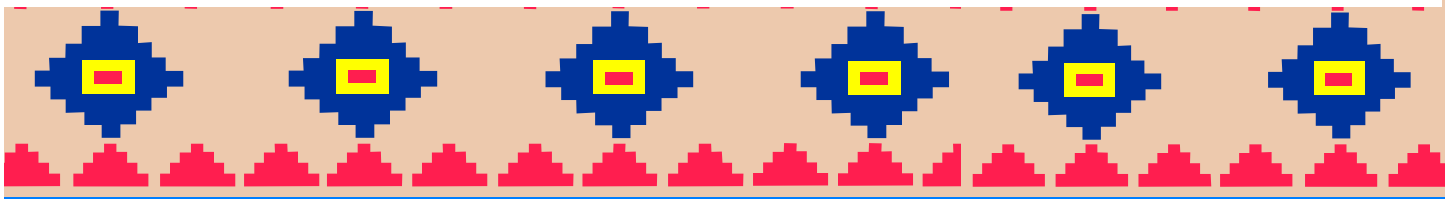


4th Quarter Financial Report 10/1/19 to 3/31/21

Receipts							
Acct #	Account Name	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD	Budget
100	Dues [H]	\$2,948.50	\$3,305.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,254.00	\$11,416.00
105	Corporate Club	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
110	Allotment from OI [G]	\$390.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$390.99	\$599.00
120	District Convention [A]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,708.43
130	District Meetings [B]	\$530.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$780.00	\$3,407.00
145	Jr. Golf [D]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,079.80
150	Miscellaneous Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$82.00
160	Interest Earned (MM)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
190	OI Foundation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
191	Auction B&G	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
192	Other - fifty fifty	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
800	CCDHH [K]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal Receipts	\$3,869.49	\$3,555.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,424.99	\$35,692.23
850	Transfer from Prev Adm						\$20,089.11
	Total Receipts	\$3,869.49	\$3,555.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,424.99	\$55,781.34
Disbursements							
Acct #	Account Name	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	YTD	Budget
200	Governor	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
210	Lt. Governors [F]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,613.12
250	Secretary/Treasurer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
255	Governor Elect	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
260	Immediate Past Governor (O)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
261	Past Governor (O)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
262	Boys & Girls Home (Chair Travel to B&GH)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
263	NCB Chairperson	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
265	Committee Chairs [N]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,159.92
300		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
301	Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
320	Office Supplies	\$52.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$52.40	\$80.00
330	District Bulletin	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$650.00
331	Web Page	\$251.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$251.88	\$200.00
340	District Directory	\$455.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$455.29	\$575.00
350	District Convention [A]	\$13.93	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,013.93	\$8,401.34
351	District Conv Allotment [A]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$780.00
360	District Meetings [B]	\$488.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$488.25	\$3,407.00
361	Lt. Governor's Conference	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
370	Oratorical [C]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
371	CCDHH [K]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
380	Jr. Golf [D]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
390	Essay Contest [E]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
400	Badges & Pins/Officers	\$889.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$889.52	\$650.00
410	Awards, Current Year [J]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
411	Awards, Past Year [J]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
420	Audit/Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
421	Audit / Review / 990	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
430	Merchandise Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
440	New Club Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
441	Membership Promotion	\$0.00	\$322.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$322.00	\$1,000.00
442	A&A Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
443	Personal Growth	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
444	Childhood Health & Wellness (CCC)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
445	New Club Building	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
446	Leadership Development	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
447	OI Foundation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
448	Boys & Girls Home	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
450	Gifts [I]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	bvvvvv	\$0.00	\$150.00
470	Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
480	Previous Administration Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
490	Next Administration Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$1,951.27	\$1,322.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,273.27	\$43,681.38

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	International Convention						
500	Governor	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
510	Lt. Gov. Elect Max \$300. For 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
540	Secretary/Treasurer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
550	Governor Designate	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
551	Secretary/Treasurer Designate	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
580	District Of Conv Meal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Total International Convention	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,400.00
	Subtotal Disbursements	\$1,951.27	\$1,322.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,273.27	\$49,081.38
480	Transfer to next Administration Above line includes escrows. See escrow breakdown below.						\$6,699.96
599	Total Disbursements	\$1,951.27	\$1,322.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,273.27	\$55,781.34
Reconciliation							
	YTD Financial Report Summary						Total
	Receipts (Includes Transfers from 2020-21)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,424.99	
	Disbursements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,273.27	
	Net	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,151.72	
	1st Qtr Bank Account Summary	BB&T	Convention	Jr Golf			
	Beginning Balance	\$20,089.11	\$2,304.43	\$79.80			
	Deposits & Other Credits	\$7,424.99	\$0.00	\$0.00			
	Expenditures /Withdrawals	\$3,273.27	\$0.00	\$0.00			
	Ending Account Balance	\$24,240.83	\$2,304.43	\$79.80			
	Total Funds	\$24,240.83	\$2,304.43	\$79.80			
RECONCILLATION OF ESCROW FUNDS							
	DISTRICT CONVENTION	Current Year Increase/(Decrease)					LOCATE THIS FILE
	Start-of-Year Balance	\$ 2,304.43					
	Receipts 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	Disbursements 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	End-of-Year Balance	\$2,304.43	\$0.00				
	JUNIOR GOLF						
	Start-of-Year Balance	\$79.80					
	Receipts 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	Disbursements 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	End-of-Year Balance	\$79.80	\$0.00				
	CCDHH						
	Start-of-Year Balance	\$0.00					
	Receipts 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	Disbursements 10-1-19 through 9-30-20	\$0.00					
	End-of-Year Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00				



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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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