



Optimist



OF INDIANAPOLIS DOWNTOWN OPTIMIST CLUB
 INDIANA SOUTH DISTRICT – ZONE 1
 CHARTER NO. 1 – MAY 15, 1916
 SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL – FRIDAYS, 12 NOON

		PROGRAMS/EVENTS	
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Member Concerns



Keep our brave and proud military personnel, police officers, and firefighters in your thoughts & prayers as they keep us safe.

Optimist International's Mission

is to foster an optimistic way of life, through a network of Optimists, dedicated to the full development of their potential in order to provide ever-expanding service to youth, the community and the world.

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“Stepping Up,” by Barb Milton

As we optimistically race into May there is a wealth of opportunities to make a difference in our community. Consider the wide assortment of events such as weddings, graduations and of course the track. It’s a time where each of us comes in contact with old friends and makes a lot of new acquaintances. Take a few minutes and carefully reread and appreciate what the Optimist Creed shares.

The Creed is a message that makes a terrific gift to someone getting ready for new beginnings. Consider, if someone is entering their chosen career field for the very first time lived the Creed’s direction. How might that simple document affect their future business ethics? It’s great advice for newlyweds, who statistically have a 50% marital success rate staring at them, consider the guidance of the Creed as they build their future together.

Membership offers a great mix of new friends, positive community role models and business partners, and especially support when today’s pressure lean to full on an individual’s shoulders. Keep an application and invitation card handy. Give a gift of Optimism and be a major part in reshaping our community and someone’s future.

As you already do...continue to lead by example!

By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in children.

PROGRAM – APR 3rd – by Bob Bailey



Our speaker was Heather Moody, the Manager of Adult Services for Noble of Indiana. This organization works with disabled adults and children to help them have a better life and learn about what it takes to gain employment.

Noble has four locations around the city. At her center near Broad Ripple, they engage their people by having many different events. At their

Shadeland location, they have a large work center where their people can work doing various activities. Much of it is assembly work. Noble serves over 2000 people each year.

I can attest to the happy spirit that exists at Heather's center since I recently delivered pumpkins there. Everyone was ready to help. We are blessed to have such a fine organization in our city.

Congratulations! Birthday Babes

- Art Bowers – May 25
- Dick Close – May 22
- Rick France – May 13
- Michelle Hickerson – May 30
- Chuck Hoberty – May 25
- Gloria King – May 29
- Kim Loudenback – May 24
- Barb Milton – May 15
- Tom Svenstrup – May 15



**Essay Winners – APR 10th
Harshman “Super Citizens”**

Recognizing students who demonstrate the “Optimist Creed” – Harshman Middle School Super Citizens joined us for lunch. Congratulations to: Sakena Abdul-Haqq, Ja’Quisha Cummings, Tamika Culpepper, Curtis Hill, Alma Garcia, Antonio Singleton, Terrell Williams, Alayisa Brasher, and Thomas Case. Thank you Cindy Eakle, from Harshman, for helping coordinate this event!



Congratulations!



“MOV’IN on UP” – Congratulations to Robert Harris who won the Regional Oratorical Contest. He competed at the Indiana South District Oratorical Contest at the 3rd Quarter Conference in Bloomington. (Robert [blue shirt] shown here with his family.)

Thanks goes to Darrel Paul, “500” West Optimist Club of Indianapolis for his photo contribution.

More Regional Photos on Insert.

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Articles for the next newsletter are due: May 13th.

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