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		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.

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**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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**Amber Buchanan**  
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**(2 inserts this week)**



**“Stepping Up,” by Barb Milton**

Thank you to DOC members for another good year. Though your generosity, time and talents we help many Indy kids this year.

Good luck Bill in your upcoming year!

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

**PROGRAM – AUG 28<sup>th</sup> – by Bob Bailey**



Every so often, we need to be reminded about the reasons we are called Optimists. Past President Jim Stockman did just that in his presentation, "Optimism-A Better Approach to Living" Jim gave us some definitions of the word, "Optimism" such as, "to make things better" or "the courage to fight through your fears".

He also provided a new version of the Optimist Creed which placed more emphasis on the person saying it by starting with "I promise" instead of "Promise Yourself" he added two new lines which related to thinking well of yourself and knowing that there are a lot of people who are out there that support you as long as you support them.

Finally, Jim talked about a new book by Christian D. Anderson, titled "How Full is Your Bucket." It sounds like a good read.

Thanks, Jim, for providing an Optimist's view.

**PROGRAM – AUG 28<sup>th</sup> – by Bob Bailey**



Every so often, you meet that rare person who, charged with enthusiasm, has a total "Can Do" attitude. That person was our speaker, Cecelia Acostas, from Venezuela. She arrived in the US a few years ago with her daughter and a few dollars. She described the trials and tribulations of those early years, adding at the end of each experience, "We are Blessed."

For a number of years working at St Mary's, she accepted everything assignment at the church including the person responsible for IT. She left St Mary's to take a position with the Girl Scouts where she is now. She wants to help other Hispanics learn our language....and I know she will succeed.



From sunny Florida ...

Hello Everyone:

Effective immediately, my new e-mail address is:

[CHUNDERLIK@comcast.net](mailto:CHUNDERLIK@comcast.net). (Yes, all caps. Sorry!) Please update your address books. Thanks!

Jay Chunderlik

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ...**

**DOC** will hold a Tri-Star Soccer Skills Challenge on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Hawthorne Community Center, 2440 W. Ohio Street. For more information see the insert and/or contact: John Gower (925-1900 x231) or Caleb Sutton (637-4312)

Note from Editor: This issue ends the 2008-2009 Optimist year. Thank you for letting us share the news. I have been editor for several years now and have enjoyed the experience. Stay tuned for Bill's year – to hear what he has planned for the coming year. – Pat France, Bulletin Editor