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YOUR EXECUTIVE

Board meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. the 3rd Tues. of every month and any member is welcome to attend any meeting.

Lorie Scott - Pres

519-576-4018

Wayne McClure - V P

243-1857

John Howard - V P

243-3741

Bob Rutledge - Treas

243-2415

Sue Rindlisbacher - Sec

519-204-0345

Sherry Brownlee - Board

243-3381

Gordon Brownlee - Board

243-3381

Allan Rutledge - Board

243-2415

Jack Tomlinson - Board

899-2966

Barb Willisie - Board

243-1515

Shirley Prezicator - Board

519-243-1967

Deb Huxley - Board -

243-3022

Tracy Huxley - Past Pres

243-3022

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

NOV 10, 2008

Wow, time has a habit of getting away on us. Well this is month two of an incredible journey. The events have begun; our youth centre is allowing the kids to have a safe warm place to go and they can enjoy the company of other kids.

The 5th Annual Tea Room happened Oct 18th & 19th, bringing in \$2138.00. This brings the 5 year total to \$9000.00 plus. Our October 18th meat draw was a success bringing in \$197.00.

The board has been working with the JOOI club and helping them establish the foundation of their club. They had a successful Halloween dance making \$200.10 and they raised \$165.00

at the Tea Room with their bake table.

We have started getting things in shape for this year. The Board of Directors has been working very hard to help make our club as good as the history we hold so high.

Our first dinner meeting was actually a Zone meeting with Lt. Governor Tracy Huxley inducting the clubs that attended. We were lucky to have Optimist Clubs from Forest, Dashwood, Crediton, East Williams, Parkhill, and Ilderton attending, it was exciting to have visitors to my first meeting. We had Bess Sniderhan and her husband Frank as part of our celebrations. She put our pictures in the Forest Standard and started the recognition process for the new board.

The club is doing a lot more advertising on different Medias and the results are starting to pay off.

The board wishes to thank all the volunteers we have had work with us so far and we look forward to working with you all again at the upcoming events.

"Give me five for the Kids"

Lorie Scott, President.

PRESIDENT'S
INTERVIEW WITH BARB
WILLSIE, November 10,
2008

Did you become an OPTIMIST because you wanted to be involved with the community?

I volunteered all over the place anyway - Scouting, Church, kid's School Trips, and in the classrooms.

I was a member of the Grand Bend & Area Chamber of Commerce.

We belonged to St. Paul's Anglican Church, in Thedford. I run a Bed & Breakfast, and drive a bus full of noisy children.

I joined the Optimist Club of Ausable Port Franks in March 1997, and was President for the 1999-2000 club year, and again for the 2003-2004 club year; and Lt. Gov. for 2001-2002 year.

I have helped organize and run the Optimist Tea room, the Fish Fry, the Easter Egg Hunt, the Rummage Sale, kids Dances, Breakfast with Santa, Soap Box Derby's, Bike Rodeos, The Great Ride & Stride for Cancer at the Pinery, and recruited new members. Basically I have volunteered for all club events and received the award for Personal Goal Achievements at the District Level.

WHAT DOES BEING AN OPTIMIST MEAN TO YOU?

The statement in the Optimist creed that says

"TO BE SO STRONG THAT NOTHING CAN DISTURB YOUR PEACE OF MIND" best describes what it means to me.

It became a support system to me during some troubled times, and I have found many friends.

Did you become involved with the Youth Centre because you liked working with kids?

Yes, I drive a School Bus filled with noisy children - remember.

Would you say that being an OPTIMIST has helped you develop as a person and given you a sense of Community?

Yes, I think I am a sharing, kind, loving person and this fits those needs perfectly.

Lorie Scott

WHAT'S HAPPENED!

In September:

The Golf Tournament was a blast. We had a great time chasing that silly little ball around the golf course, and came home with some pretty nice prizes.

Our September Meat Raffle was a big success, again, raising \$312.00, thanks to Sherry.

The Much Music Video Dance was a smash bang success, again, raising over \$1900.00 thanks to Gordon and Tracy.

In October:

The Zone Dinner Meeting was an exciting event with 50 people present, and the meal was delicious.

Congratulations to Lorie & Barb on another very successful Tea Room.

Our Meat Raffle raised \$193.50 - congratulations to the committee.

The JOOI club deserves a round of applause for their good work.

Our current Nevada Ticket licence sales, at MacPherson's Restaurant, ended over the weekend, and by the time we deposit the final cheque, will have

earned the club over \$9,000.00 this year. We owe MacPherson's a huge thank you for their continued support.

The new licence began Tuesday with the arrival of the new batch of tickets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November:

4th -Dinner Meeting, 6:30
14th & 15th Quarter Board,
Stoneridge Inn
15th-Meat Raffle, Grog's 2-4 pm
16th -Breakfast Meeting, 10am
18th -Executive Meeting, 7pm

December:

2nd -Dinner Meeting 6:30pm
14st-Breakfast With Santa
10:00am
16th -Executive Meeting 7pm
20th-Meat Raffle, Grog's 2-4pm

**PLEASE COME OUT & SUPPORT
YOUR CLUB AT THESE EVENTS!**

**WE NEED YOUR
CANNED OR NON
PERISHABLE ITEMS
FOR THE FOOD BANK!**

**PLEASE SAVE YOUR
PAPER TOWEL AND
TOILETTE TISSUE
CENTERS FOR
PROJECTS AT THE
YOUTH CENTRE**

BOARD WISH LIST:

LAMINATOR; STAPLER;
PAPER CUTTER;
BOARD GAMES FOR
YOUTH CENTRE;

GIFTS - FOR MEAT
DRAWS;

EGG CARTONS - EMPTY
LGE or XL SIZE - DOZEN
CONTAINERS (for Meat Raffles)
ANY ONE WITH SMART
SERVE CERTIFICATES -
OR
CPR - FIRST AID
CERTIFICATES -
PLEASE BRING THEM IN
AND LET US COPY
THEM.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

I understand
congratulations are in
order to Janet & Jim
Waite on the arrival of a
new grandchild.