



The Link



Kerwood-Adelaide-Metcalf Optimist

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Hi Everyone

It has been a long winter. We have been quite busy too. There has been curling, card playing, bingo's, guest speakers, great spellers, quarter board meeting, zone meetings just to name a few of the events that have been going on. We have also been planning things that will be going on in the near future. I will be mentioning them in the news letter, so read on.

This summer we are planning to start up a night a week for kids to come out and play soccer at the Kerwood ball Park. We will be teaching them skills and letting them scrimmage. The nets are being purchased by Ange Brodie and the goal posts are being built by Rick and Archie Hendrixx. If you know of any kids who want to play soccer but not on a travel team, let them know and wait for more information in the future.

At our next meeting on April 8th we will have guest speakers Ted Gravelle and Bruce Cox from the Petrolia Lambton Central Optimist Club. They will be speaking on the Tri Star Program that we are planning to run this summer. The Tri Star Program is a way to teach kids the skills needed for certain sports such as soccer, basket ball, base ball or bowling. Any kind of sport can be taught through the tri star program. It should be very interesting and it will be a great way to help the kids in our community.

This would be a great meeting to bring out perspective new members so bring out your friends and neighbours to the Kerwood hall on Wed April 8th for a fun and informative meeting. All Bingo groups are asked to bring a dish of food for a pot luck feast. Social will start at 6:30 with supper at 7:00. We will be playing games after the meeting so come out and join the fun.

Our Club had a curling bonspiel on Feb. 21st in Glencoe. We had a full house and a great time was had by everyone who participated. Thanks to Optimists Brian Denning, Dwayne Ayris, Don McInroy and Mike Brodie for chairing the event and thanks to Anne Sanders, Ange Brodie, Jodie Thuss and anyone I missed for bringing the food, and a special thank you to Minnie Bongers for all her help. Without great members like you we could not have such a successful event. Thanks again.

At the Moore curling bonspiel, Dave Tate gave us a curling broom to be used as a fund

raiser. The broom was raffled off at the Kerwood Bonspiel and was won by Mike Brodie. One Hundred and Sixty five dollars was raised for the Convention.

A Red Cross First Aid Course was run in Feb for the leaders of the Scouts and Guides sponsored by our club. There were 2 programs given, one for recertification and one full program. The course was full and was very much appreciated by the leaders.

We have had the Guides and the Scouts out to our meetings and had the kids speak about their adventures. They were very enthusiastic and interesting to listen to. We donated \$1,500.00 to each group to help them with their programs. It should help them have great times with camping and learning everything their leaders have to teach them. I'm sure they will use this donation wisely.

It's time for our club to pick new leaders for next year. This is not a time to run and hide under some brush until the elections are done. This is the time to come out and help pick a new executive that will help our club run very efficiently. Nominations will be done by a nominating committee and it will not make any difference if you are at the meeting or not. It would be great to see more people out in support of our fine Pres. Dave Bolton. We are all busy, but it's always nice to go out for a delicious supper and fellowship.

Once again there is a Dinner Theater in Appin as a fund raiser for the Convention. The play is "Whose Wives Are They Anyway" and it is presented at the Ekfrid Community Centre in Appin on Thursday April 16, 2009 at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$30.00 each. The tickets are going fast so call me, JoAnne Sanders, 519-849-2352 as soon as possible.

The Convention is coming up on August 21 and 22 and our club is involved in the running of the Friday night of Entertainment. We will need some help and it will be a lot of fun if more of our members would come out and celebrate Optimism. The convention is in Wallaceburg and the registration forms will be sent out as soon as they are ready.

Birthdays

Mike Brodie	April 5	Iwan Smolders	April 13
Kyna Denning	April 16	John Sanders	April 17
Brian Denning	April 25	Toni Sanders	April 28
Elly McAllister	May 5	Tom Buttery	May 23
Bob Peters	May 24	Dave Bolton	May 25
Bruce Elder	March 26		

Anniversaries

Leo and Minnie Bongers May 14

Dates to remember

April 8	Pot Luck Membership drive meeting with Guest Speakers Ted Gravelle and Bruce Cox on Tri Star Sports 7pm Dinner
April 16	Dinner Theater in Appin "Whose Wives Are They Anyway"
April 18	3 rd Quarter Board Meeting, Braggarts Fair in Wallaceburg
April 22	Dinner Meeting and Elections
June 12-14	Ball Tournament
July 11 or 18?	Zone 7 Golf Tournament
Aug 21 & 22	Convention in Wallceburg

Humour

An Irish woman of advanced age visited her physician to ask his advice in reviving her husband's libido.

"What about trying Viagra?" asked the doctor.

"Not a chance", she said. "He won't even take an aspirin."

"Not a problem," replied the doctor. "Give him an Irish Viagra. It's when you drop the Viagra tablet into his coffee. He won't even taste it. Give it a try and call me in a week to let me know how things went."

It wasn't a week later when she called the doctor, who directly inquired as to her progress. The poor dear exclaimed, "Oh, faith, bejaysus and begorra! Twas horrid! Just terrible, doctor!"

"Really? What happened?" Asked the doctor.

"Well, I did as ya' told me and slipped it in his coffee and the effect was almost immediate. He jumped straight up, with a twinkle in his eye and with his pants a-bulging fiercely! With one swoop of his arm, he sent me cups and tablecloth flying, ripped me clothes to tatters and took me then and there passionately on the tabletop! It was a nightmare, I tell you, an absolute nightmare!"

"Why so terrible?" asked the doctor, "Do you mean the sex you husband provided wasn't good?"

"Freackin, twas the best sex I've had in 25 years! But sure as I'm sittin here, I'll never be able to show me face in Dunkin Donuts again!"

