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A Message From The Pen Of Our President Kevin Jung

Dear Fellow Optimists,

The New Year is upon us and we are once again busy organizing the fun stuff that we do for the kids. January, February and March is always a busy time for Optimists organizing the Spelling Bee, Oratorical, Easter in the Park, Youth Appreciation and Respect for Law programs. Please contact the Committee Chairs to offer your support.

Fundraising for the Splash Pad is nearly complete. Yearly payments to the Township of St. Clair have been arranged. Check out the web site for a view of the pad at www.splash.corunna.ca.

Yours In Optimism

President Kevin

Check the SWONT web site

<http://www.swontoptimist.org/>

For more area Optimist news and information



SWONT
2009 - 2010 Logo

JANUARY 2010 EVENTS

6th – Happy Birthday – Deb Vannieuwenhuyze

6th – 2nd Quarter Board Meeting - Wallaceburg

10th – Happy Birthday – Sue Sherred

11th – Monthly dinner meeting.

13th – Happy Birthday – Frank Spizzirri

14th – Happy Anniversary – Peter & Willy Grunté

14th – Happy Birthday – Jim Neal

25th – Monthly Board Meeting

February 2010 EVENTS

1st – Happy Birthday – Kevin Jung

8th – Monthly dinner meeting.

16th – Happy Anniversary – Peter & Anne Gilliland

22th – Monthly Board Meeting

23rd – Happy Birthday Nina Strickland



JANUARY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Optimist Canada web site
<http://optimistcanada.org/index.php?lang=english>
Take a look at this site. It is uniquely Canadian.

Please keep your
POP TABS FOR KIDS
http://www.geocities.com/tabs_4_kids_wheels/

THE OPTIMIST CREED

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.

Purpose of The Optimist Club

- To develop Optimism as a philosophy of life
- To promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs
- To inspire respect for law
- To promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people
- To aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well being of man, his community, and world.

BINGO DATES



Sun. Jan 30/10 @ 1:30 pm

Wed. Feb. 3/10 @ 7:00 pm

Thurs. Feb25/10 @ 10:00 pm

Tues. March 9th @ 1:30 PM

Sat. March 27th @ 11:30 AM

Tues. April 13th @ 11:30 AM

Tues. April 27th @ 11:30 AM

LAST Dinner Meeting

The December dinner meeting was held at the Canadian Legion Hall in Corunna. The Legion folks served up a great meal which featured turkey with all the trimmings and was thoroughly enjoyed by the members and guests present.

A small contingent of the SCITS Band entertained us with selected Christmas themed music and solos and duets. Thanks to Optimists Gord and Larry for organizing the event.

Cash Calendars

The Moore Optimist Cash Calendar draws started on January 1 (Christmas Bonus draw was December 25). Check the website to see if you have a winning Calendar!

"Silverdome" Problems

The Courtright Community Hall was once again inundated with water. Sometime between mid-afternoon of January 5 and noon the next day, the plumbing on the hot water tank outlet developed a leak and filled the hall with steaming hot water. The resulting flood and condensation caused considerable damage, but St. Clair Township is covering the cost of repairs. At this point, it appears the hall will be ready for occupancy by mid-February. Dinner meetings will be held in alternate venues (Corunna restaurants).

THIS MONTH'S CHUCKLES

COLONOSCOPY

I went into my proctologist's office for my first rectal exam. His new nurse, Evelyn, took me to an examining room and told me to get undressed and have a seat until the doctor could see me. She said that he would only be a few minutes.

After putting on the gown that she gave me, I sat down. While waiting, I observed that there were three items on a stand next to the exam table:

A Tube of K-Y jelly,

a rubber glove

and a beer.

When the doctor finally came in I said, "Look Doc, I'm a little confused. This is my first exam. I know what the K-Y is for and I know what the glove is for, but can you tell me what the BEER is for?"

At that Doctor Paul became noticeably outraged and stormed over to the door. He flung the door open and yelled to his nurse. .

"Darn it Evelyn !!!

I said BUTT LIGHT!"

MURPHY'S OTHER 16 LAWS

1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
3. He, who laughs last, thinks slowest.
4. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
7. Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
8. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
11. The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.

12. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.

13. Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.

14. The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in the dark.

15. When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

16. If someone annoys you, it takes 42 muscles to frown, but it only takes 4 muscles to extend your arm and whack them in the head.

QUOTES

Outside of a dog, a book is man's best friend. Inside of a dog it's too dark to read.

Groucho Marx

The individual has always had to struggle to keep from being overwhelmed by the tribe. If you try it, you will be lonely often, and sometimes frightened. But no price is too high to pay for the privilege of owning yourself.

Friedrich Nietzsche

If toast always lands butter-side down, and cats always land on their feet, what happens if you strap toast on the back of a cat and drop it?

Steven Wright

The scientists of today think deeply instead of clearly. One must be sane to think clearly, but one can think deeply and be quite insane.

Nikola Tesla

VOLVO

An eight year old boy is walking down the road one day when a car pulls over next to him. "If you get in the car," the driver says, "I'll give you \$10 and a piece of candy."


The boy refuses and keeps on walking. A few moments later, not to take no for an answer, the man driving the car pulls over again. "How about \$20 and two pieces of candy?"

The boy tells the man to leave him alone and keeps on walking.

Still further down the road the man pulls over to the side road. "Ok," he says, "This is my final offer. I'll give you \$50 and all the candy you can eat."

The little boy stops, goes to the car and leans in.

"Look," he shouts to the driver. "You bought the damned Volvo, Dad. You'll just have to live with it!"



**Rocky Mountain High
Denver 2010**

**91st Optimist
International
Convention**
July 8-10, 2010
Denver
Colorado

**SWONT
QUARTER BOARDS**

Second Quarter Board Meeting
Feb. 5 - 6, 2010.
Oaks Inn Wallaceburg

Third Quarter Board Meeting
May 14 - 15, 2010.
Best Western Stoneridge Inn - London

**SWONT Convention
Aug. 13 - 15, 2010.
Pelee Days Inn - Leamington**

Dinner Meetings Notice

Dinner Meetings are occasions when the Club Membership gets together to enjoy a tasty meal, listen to informative and entertaining speakers, get updates on Club activities and take part in Club Fellowship.

To organize a dinner and make sure everything runs smoothly requires careful planning. An accurate count of expected dinner guests is key to the success of the dinner. The Phone Committee is responsible for reporting this number to the President.

Members that accept and do not show up cost the club the price of the meal. If they decline and attend anyway, they may cause considerable disruption to the meeting set-up and food service.

✉ Please reply to your voicemail!

✉ Please contact the Phone Committee Chair or the President if your plans have changed and you are unable to attend, or that you will attend (24 hours notice minimum).

Aren't Kids Special???

Author and lecturer Leo Buscaglia once talked about a contest he was asked to judge. The purpose of the contest was to find the most caring child. The winner was:

A four-year-old child, whose next door neighbour was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his mother asked him what he had said to the neighbour, the little boy just said, "Nothing, I just helped him cry."

Teacher Debbie Moon's first graders were discussing a picture of a family. One little boy in the picture had a different hair color than the other members. One of her students suggested that he was adopted.

A little girl said, "I know all about adoption, I was adopted."

"What does it mean to be adopted?", asked another child.

"It means", said the girl, "that you grew in your mommy's heart instead of her tummy!"

On my way home one day, I stopped to watch a Little League baseball game being played in a park near my home. As I sat down behind the bench on the first-base line, I asked one of the boys what the score was:

"We're behind 14 to nothing," he answered with a smile.

"Really," I said. "I have to say you don't look very discouraged."

"Discouraged", the boy asked with a puzzled look on his face. "Why should we be discouraged? We haven't been up to bat yet."

Whenever I'm disappointed with my spot in life, I stop and think about little Jamie Scott. Jamie was trying out for a part in the school play. His mother told me Jamie had set his heart on being in it, though she feared he would not be chosen. On the day the parts were awarded, I went with her to collect him after school.

Jamie rushed up to her, eyes shining with pride and excitement.

"Guess what, Mom," he shouted, and then said those words that will remain a lesson to me, "I've been chosen to clap and cheer."

An eye witness account from New York City :

On a cold day in December, some years ago, a little boy about 10 years old was standing before a shoe store on the roadway, barefooted, peering through the window, and shivering with cold.

A lady approached the young boy and said, "My, but you're in such deep thought staring in that window!"

"I was asking God to give me a pair of shoes," was the boy's reply.

The lady took him by the hand, went into the store, and asked the clerk to get half a dozen pairs of socks for the boy. She then asked if he could give her a basin of water and a towel. He quickly brought them to her. She took the little fellow to the back part of the store and, removing her gloves, knelt down, washed his little feet, and dried them with the towel.

By this time, the clerk had returned with the socks. Placing a pair upon the boy's feet, she purchased him a pair of shoes. She tied up the remaining pairs of socks and gave them to him.

She patted him on the head and said, "No doubt, you will be more comfortable now."

As she turned to go, the astonished kid caught her by the hand, and looking up into her face, with tears in his eyes, asked her, "Are you God's wife?"

Note from the Editor:

This newsletter is a bit late coming out. Sometimes it's hard to find enough hours in the day to get things done during the busy holiday season.

Send me items that you would like to see in the newsletter and forward any comments and corrections to me, I can't maintain the quality and content without your help.

Steve