



# OPTI-TOPICS

**Optimist Club of Moore**

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## A Message From The Pen Of Our President Kevin Jung

Dear Fellow Optimists,

The Club held officer elections in April. See inside for the results.

We still need a Second Vice President. Members get more out of their membership by helping the club operate.

The Zone also needs a Lieutenant Governor. The only qualification for this position is that you are a past president of the club.

The next Zone Meeting will be held at the Courtright Community Hall on June 14. Mark your calendars, it is a chance to socialize with members of the Zone.

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

## May, 2010 EVENTS

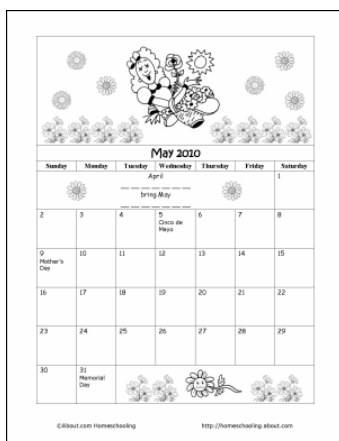
- 1<sup>st</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Ron and Isla Skreptak**  
 12<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Dan and Robin Harkins**  
**12<sup>th</sup> – Monthly dinner meeting.**  
 16<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Arnold and Joan Pole**  
 17<sup>th</sup> – Happy Birthday **Helen Dodds**  
 18<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Larry and Connie Heath**  
 24<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Rob and Tracy Kingston**  
**26<sup>th</sup> – Monthly Board Meeting**  
 26<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Louis and Vicky Dewinter**  
 26<sup>th</sup> – Happy Birthday **Peter Grunte**  
 28<sup>th</sup> – Happy Anniversary **Cy and Jill Phalen**

## June, 2010 EVENTS

- 14th – Moore hosting Zone Meeting**  
 17<sup>th</sup> – Happy Birthday **Don Smith**  
 18<sup>th</sup> – Happy Birthday **Jill Phalen**  
 22<sup>nd</sup> – Happy Birthday **Doreen Annette**  
**28<sup>th</sup> – Monthly Board Meeting**

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/](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

- Monday May 31st at 10:00 pm**  
**Friday June 4th at 1:30 pm**  
**Sunday June 13th at 11:30 am**  
**Friday June 18th at 11:30 am**  
**Sunday June 27th at 11:30 am**  
**Thursday July 1st at 1:30 pm**  
**Saturday July 31st at 1:30 pm**  
**Thursday August 5th at 1:30 pm**  
**Tuesday August 17th at 1:30 PM**

### LAST Dinner Meeting

The April Dinner Meeting was held at the Courtright Community Hall. Thirty-three members and spouses enjoyed a prime rib dinner served by the Foodland catering crew. The Club's Respect for Law Program honoured Constable John Reurink and Constable Chrystal Jones. President Kevin presented a plaque to John and Chrystal, and presented a cheque to John to support the OPP Special Olympics Torch Run.

### April Club Events

*Club Elections* – Results of the Club Elections on April 12:

- President Elect – Stan Marsh  
 Past President – Kevin Jung  
 1st Vice-President – Paul Mills  
 2nd Vice President – TBD  
 1 year Directors  
 Charlie Drennan  
 Tracy Kingston  
 Jim Neal  
 2 year Directors  
 Steve Inglis  
 Dan Van Nice  
 Gillian Ewing

## April Moore Board Meeting Highlights

The annual Clean Harbors Community hazardous waste disposal day for the Club was April 24. Thanks to all who came out to support the Club's efforts. Gord reported that traffic at the Clean Harbors site was light this year, probably due to weather conditions.

*Our Club* offered support to  
The Captain Kidd Days events.  
The OPP Special Olympics Torch Run

*Zone Fun Nights*, we need some ideas for a Moore Club event. The Airey Lanes bowling alley is not accepting any parties until September, any ideas? Contact President Kevin.

*The Club Oratorical*, for the third time in as many years fielded a winner. Allison Kingston of Corunna took first place honours and a \$2500 scholarship. Co-winner was Adam LaBelle from Strathroy.

## Quotes

Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow.

Don't walk behind me, I may not lead.  
Just walk beside me and be my friend.  
*Albert Camus*

**A banker is a fellow who lends you his umbrella when the sun is shining and wants it back the minute it begins to rain.**

*Mark Twain*

Make new friends, but keep the old;  
Those are silver, these are gold.  
New-made friendships, like new wine,  
Age will mellow and refine.  
Friendships that have stood the test -  
Time and change - are surely best;  
Brow may wrinkle, hair grow gray,  
Friendship never knows decay.  
For 'mid old friends, tried and true,  
Once more we our youth renew.  
But old friends, alas! may die,  
New friends must their place supply.  
Cherish friendship in your breast -  
New is good, but old is best;  
Make new friends, but keep the old;  
Those are silver, these are gold.

*Joseph Parry*

Another good thing about being poor is that when you are seventy your children will not have declared you legally insane in order to gain control of your estate.

*Woody Allen*



Oratorical Contest winners:  
MacKenna Ropps from Watford,  
Amber Tiller from Ailsa Craig,  
Melanie Senaick from Rodney  
Allison Kingston from Corunna, Adam  
LaBelle from Strathroy,  
Back :Governor Marty Quenneville



## 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

Finding one of her students making faces at others on the playground, Ms. Smith stopped to gently reprove the child. Smiling sweetly, the Sunday School teacher said, "Bobby, when I was a child, I was told if that I made ugly faces, it would freeze and I would stay like that." Bobby looked up and replied, "Well, Ms Smith, that explains what happen to you."

A mother was teaching her three year old daughter The Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she repeated it after her mother. One night she said she was ready to solo. The mother listened with pride, as she carefully said each word right up to the end..."And lead us not into temptation", she prayed, "but deliver us some e-mail, Amen."

Eleven year old's environmental studies essay on the effect of oil pollution: 'When my mum opened a tin of sardines last night it was full of oil and all the sardines were dead.'