



Optimist Club of West Lorne Inc. NEWSBRIEFS

October 2009

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2009/2010 Board of Directors



Meet the new Board of Directors for 2009/2010

Front row: L to R - Secretary Kathy Johnston, V.P. Isabel Lewis, President Ted Johnston, Past President Nancy Murray; back row L to R 2 year directors Ken Neil, Dianne Downie and Grace Audet, Lt. Governor Alice Stocking (from the Bothwell Club), 1 year directors Bill Lewis, Karen Goncalves (stepping in for Bill Trask who will be away for the winter months) and Doug Staddon. Missing from photo is Treasurer Dorothy Staddon

Installation of the new Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, October 7.

Optimist Nancy Murray (past President) spoke about her past year in the club and was very thankful to all the members for their constant support and help in the many fund raising events throughout 2008 and 2009. She congratulated Optimist Ted Johnston for coming in as new president and wished him much success. Optimist Dianne Downie was presented with the President's Award and Optimist Kathy Johnston was presented with the President's Citation.

The club members really own a big thanks to Optimist Nancy for her dedication to the club and its purpose as well as the many fundraising ideas she

introduced and got off the ground.

With those efforts and the help of the members, the club raised lots of funds for the youth activities in our community. The food booth was seen in a variety of places this past spring and summer and even into the fall. Breakfast sandwiches and lunch were provided at the Deleware Horse Show in the spring, breakfast's were held at Old Boys trailer park summer and fall, we hosted a very successful breakfast at our Car Show as well as serving the usual that afternoon and the Canada Day events and Soccer Cup Day. Optimist Nancy also introduced a new fundraiser to our club - The Fallsview Casino bus trip. Two trips were held. One in the spring and one in the fall. Both were sell outs. These bus trips will continue in President Ted's year as well. Watch for the dates later.

The club is also pleased to have eight new members with us. CONGRATULATIONS Past President Nancy and the very best to President Ted, we know you will do a great job in the leadership of our great organization.

Upcoming Events

November 4 Zone Meeting at Lakeview Gardens
 November 8 Start of Youth Appreciation Week
 November 27 'Rockin Rodeo Christmas' Santa Claus Parade
 November 27 Opti-Bucks Christmas Draw
 February 27 Adult Fun Night
 May 23 Breakfast at Old Boys

REMINDER!

The draw for the Opti-Bucks Christmas Draw will be held on Friday, November 27th. Please sell your tickets. If you need tickets contact Optimist Isabel.



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Presidents Citation

Past President Nancy Murray and Secretary Kathy Johnston, recipient of the President's Citation.



Presidents Award

Director Dianne Downie, recipient of the President's Award with Past President Nancy



New members inducted

Past President Nancy Murray inducted 8 new members in her Presidential year. Above L to R - Past President Nancy, new members Richard Duckworth, Joan Neil, Alton and Kelly Brazier, Grace Audet and Charter member Doug Staddon. New members missing in the photo are Steve and Starr Cundy and Sarah Simpson.

Dodge Rodeo coming to West Lorne

Get your cowboy gear out and be ready for the Dodge Rodeo coming to West Lorne. Bullriders and cowboys with real bulls and real horses will be showing their stuff out at Optimists Ken and Joan Neils farm on July 24, 2010.

This is going to be a huge fundraiser for our club and will take a lot of support from all members. Optimist Ken and Joan are the chairpersons and have donated their land for us to host this big show that will include a breakfast, our food booth, a beer garden and a dance. The Dodge Rodeo performers will do the rest.

This is very exciting for our area as there has never been an event like this and we are very proud to be the organization to bring it in.

Lots of advertising is going to be needed so spread the word wherever you can.

We have purchased banners to be used wherever possible and they have already been used at the fall fairs in Rodney, Glencoe and Wallacetown where we entered floats in their parades to advertise the event.

Updates will be posted in the newsletters to come as we approach the big day.

Go to www.dodgerodeo.com for info!



Rodney Fall Fair Parade

Optimist members and family members participated in the Rodney Fall Fair Parade, the first of 3 parades to help promote our upcoming Dodge Rodeo

Pictured L to R - Ken Neil, Nancy Murray, Jim Simpson, Joan Neil, Lauren Johnston, Kathy Johnston, Karen Goncalves, Ted Johnston, Richard Duckworth and in front row is Jada Krebs and Joe Johnston.

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 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.