

Happy  
Father's  
Day! 🎈🎉👔

Official Newsletter of the  
Superior Optimist Club



June 2019

PRESIDENT - Brian Hakanson

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Miracles are like meatballs, because nobody can exactly agree on what they are made of, where they come from, or how often they should appear". – Daniel Handler

Once again we pulled off another fabulous Meatball Dinner. Thanks to all of you for being Optimists and doing your part to help make this event the most successful that it's been in years. Whether you bought and sold tickets, helped out at the event, or spread the word around town, it all helped boost our ticket sales and in turn give us more money to put towards the many great causes that we support each year. So many, many thanks to everyone for helping to turn those meatballs into miracles for those who are in need of help.

I would like to specially thank a few people for the role that they had in making this event work. Thank you Kim Pearson and Jan Jago for the extra time that they put in organizing the event. Thank you Kurtz Catering for preparing the meatballs and making sure that we had everything we needed to serve over 400 dinners. Thank you to Colleen Tuura and Cathedral of Christ the King for providing us a space to hold the event. Finally, thank you Carolyn, Rokkyn, and Traxx Kavajecz for the musical entertainment that they provided throughout the evening.

### PROGRAMS FOR June

**June 5th**  
Bruce Thompson

**June 12th**  
Open

**June 19th**  
Jodi Arriola  
WINUM 2018-2019 Governor

**June 26th**  
Phil Roe  
Director, Playmakers North



Happy  
Anniversary

### Thoughts and Prayers

Leola Keskinen  
(Dick's wife)



### Optimist Anniversaries

Jan Jago  
11 Years

Brian Hakanson  
6 years

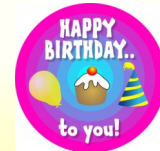
Colleen Tuura  
6 years

Jasmine Burt  
4 years

Joel Certa-Werner  
4 years

**Jon Garver - 6/18**

**Troy Lambert - 6/27**



## SAVE THE DATE

**Tuesday, June 25th**  
Weeding the Central Park Garden  
6:00 PM



## Our newest members

Jonathon Asp - February  
Jennifer Howarth - March  
Shelly Bergstrom - April

WELCOME



## Funny Jokes for Father's Day



Four men are in the hospital waiting room because their wives are having babies.

A nurse goes up to the first guy and says, "Congratulations! You're the father of twins."  
"That's odd," answers the man. "I work for the Minnesota Twins!"

A nurse says to the second guy, "Congratulations! You're the father of triplets!"  
"That's weird," answers the second man. "I work for the 3M company!"

A nurse tells the third man, "Congratulations! You're the father of quadruplets!"  
"That's strange," he answers. "I work for the Four Seasons hotel!"

The last man is groaning and banging his head against the wall. "What's wrong?" the others ask.

"I work for 7 Up!"



**Joe:** What does your father do for a living?

**Jon:** He's a magician. He performs tricks, like sawing people in half.

**Joe:** Do you have any brothers or sisters?

**Jon:** Yep, four half-sisters and a half-brother.

**Teacher (on phone):** You say Michael has a cold and can't come to school today? To whom am I speaking?

**Voice:** This is my father.

- Why do scuba divers fall backward out of the boat? Cause if they fell forward they'd still be in the boat.
- What does cheese say to itself in the mirror? Halloumi.
- What did the daughter corn ask the mother corn? Where's popcorn.
- What did the stoplight say to the car? Don't look, I'm changing.
- What did the tired criminal need? Arrest.
- What's the stupidest animal in the jungle? A polar bear.
- Why do cows have hooves instead of feet? They lactose.
- Why did the pig get hired by the restaurant? He was really good at bacon.
- Why do birds fly south for the winter? It's way to far to walk.



- How does a train eat? It goes chew chew.
- I'm thinking about removing my spine. I feel like it's only holding me back.
- What's brown and sticky? A stick.

### BOARD MEMBERS

Gary Dunning (2018-2020)  
Jake Siproth (2018-2020)  
Joe Stensland (2018-2020)  
Joel Certa-Werner (2018-2020)  
Rick Rockwood (2017-2019)

### OFFICERS 2018-19

**President** - Brian Hakanson

**Vice President** - Open Seat

**Treasurer** - Kim Pearson

**Secretary** - Jan Jago

**Past President (2017-2018)**

Carolyn Nelson-Kavajecz

### May Attendance Prize Winners:

5/1 – Bruce Thompson

5/8 – Dick Keskinen

5/15 – Joel Certa-Werner

5/22 – Shelly Bergstrom

5/28 - Rick Rockwood

***This month's Prize Sponsor***  
***Al Kurtz***



### **YOUTH OPTIMISTS**

#### ***Claudia Androski & Bryce Petrovich***

Claudia Androski and Bryce Petrovich were the final Youth Optimists for the 2018-2019 school year. Both are Juniors at Superior High School.

Claudia is involved in cheerleading, dance line and track. She is active in the Random Acts of Kindness Club, Interact Club, FCA, Honor Society, Chamber Orchestra and Youth Leadership. She is the daughter of Mark and Jennifer Androski. She has an older brother, Jack, and an older sister, Cody. Claudia plans on going to UWS for Elementary Education or Speech Therapy.

Bryce is involved in GSA, Harvard Model United Nations and Prom Committee. Bryce is also involved in Boy Scouts of America, and did karate at Matteri's Martial Arts Academy. Bryce's father works at Taylor SLS, and his mother works for Head Start. He has 5 siblings, ages 8, 16, 17, 21, and 25. Bryce plans to go to Carthage College in

Kenosha, Wi. He would like to get a degree in Political Science.

Claudia and Bryce will have the opportunity to win the Youth Optimist Scholarship and Service Award.

## **BLAST FROM THE PAST FEBRUARY 2005**



### **Note from the Editor**

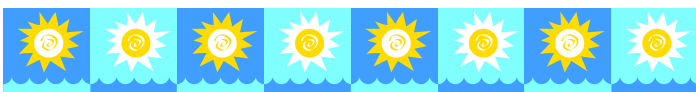
**Merrill Thompson**

*Reflections on Happiness*

In the January 17<sup>th</sup> issue of Time magazine the emphasis is on the The Science of Happiness and a sub-title lists "Why Optimists Live Longer". In other words, the shift in research is on what is right with those who are happy and well adjusted, instead of what is wrong with those who are not happy with life.

There are eight practical suggestions for satisfaction, some of which identify with the Optimist Creed, so between these two sources a combination should result in a prolonged happy life.

1. Count your blessings.
2. Practice acts of kindness to others.
3. Savor life's joys.
4. Thank a mentor for former service to you.
5. Learn to forgive.
6. Invest time and energy in friends and family.
7. Take care of your body.
8. Develop strategies for coping with stress and hardships. (religious faith as example).



*Assistant Editor Judy Carlson  
In Loving Memory of Merrill Thompson & Bill Downs, Jr.*

# Optimist Creed

## Promise Yourself

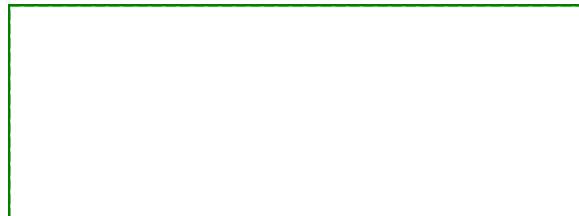
- To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.
- To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- To think only of the best, 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.

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