

November
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Official Newsletter of the Superior Optimist Club



PRESIDENT - Brian

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I know we are just now beginning our Optimist year. Strange as it sounds, it is the perfect time to start thinking next year's officers. "Why already?" you might be asking yourself. Well there's a few reasons planning ahead will benefit our club and the youth that we serve.

Elections of our next Club President, Vice-President, Officers and Board of Directors should never be taken lightly. It is a difficult challenge finding new leadership willing to take on these positions. When election time comes we tend to scramble to find any individual who might say "yes". This doesn't make the person nominated feel confident that they are actually wanted to fill the position. If we start early, it gives the current officers time to groom the person who will be replacing them, making the transition go much more smoothly. We should be ensuring the best person for the job is ready and willing to take on the position when asked.

Starting to find next year's officers now means we're putting an effort into ensuring our Club is on a healthy path of leadership. Our communities and children depend on us and so we need effective and reliable leadership to get the job done! So take a moment this month. Think about the people who you know have what it takes to take the reins come October 1st, 2020.

I also want to thank all of you for a very successful Chili for Children fundraiser. This was our 2nd annual dinner and the results were fantastic! The chili was awesome too! Thanks again to Jan Jago for securing a great prize package, making the chili, putting out signage and keeping us organized at the event. Thanks to all of you for promoting the event and selling/buying tickets.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!



Thoughts and Prayers

Leola Keskinen (Dick's wife)

Karry Johnson 11/7



Optimist Anniversaries

Cari Matheson (2017) -2 years



PROGRAMS FOR NOVEMBER

Speaker Chair: Jan Jago

November 6th

Michael LaJoie
Rudy Run Rudy LaJoie
Memorial Fundraiser

November 13th

Ashley Martin, Tower Fit

November 20th Steve Nelson, SAHA

November 27th - NO MEETING

BOARD MEMBERS

Gary Dunning (2018-2020)
Joe Stensland (2018-2020)
Joel Certa-Werner (2018-2020)
Rick Rockwood (2019-2021)
Cari Matheson (2019 - 2021)

OFFICERS 2018-19

President
Brian Hakanson
Vice President
Open Seat
Treasurer
Kim Pearson
Secretary
Jan Jago
Past President (2017-2018)
Carolyn Nelson-Kavajecz



SAVE THE DATE

Bell Ringing Dates
(4 PM - 6 PM at East End Super One)

November 4th, November 5th,
November 6th, November 7th,
November 8th
&
November 28th (Thanksgiving)



ANNOUNCEMENTS



- BOARD MEETING - November 13th immediately following the weekly meeting
- NO MEETING - November 27th
- Speaker Chairs needed for January & February



Monday, October 28th
Central Park Garden Pulling



Youth Optimists for October - Zachary Leno & Noah Gunderson

Zachary Leno and Noah Gunderson were the Youth Optimists for the month of October. Both are Juniors at Superior High School.

Zachary is involved in FBLA, DECA, and Pledgemakers. He plays Spartan Soccer and Tennis. He is a Coach for the Superior Basketball Association and the Arrowhead Youth Soccer Association. He is a volunteer for Network for Enhancing Tennis in Superior and the YMCA Day Camp. He is the son of Brandon and Melissa Leno, and has a younger brother, Tanner. He has plans to explore a career in law at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Noah is involved in FBLA, DECA and Pledgemakers. He plays Spartan Soccer and Basketball. He is a coach for the Arrowhead Youth Soccer Association and he is a volunteer at the Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank. Noah is the son of Brett and Sarah Gunderson, and he has two younger siblings. Noah would like to attend a four-year college and major in engineering.

Both students have the opportunity to win the Youth Optimist Scholarship and Service Award.

CHILI FOR CHILDREN DINNER 2019



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

Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself

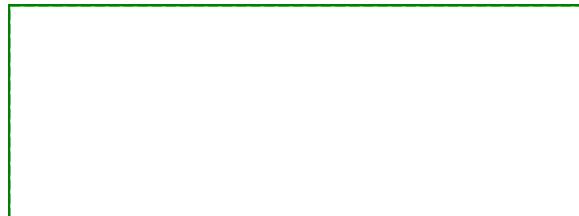
- To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.
- To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- To think only of the best, 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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The Superior Optimist Club fosters positive fellowship and community awareness to inspire and support youth.

Mission Statement

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