



Your BOCI Breakfast Bugle and Your Downtown Club Diner News

April, 2023



Breakfast Optimist Club & Indianapolis Optimist Club of Indianapolis

Serving the Youth of Indianapolis

The Breakfast Optimist Club of Indianapolis

Join us every 2nd and 4th Mondays



8255 Craig St. - Castleton



Perkins

13316 Tegler Dr, Noblesville

April Meetings:

April 10th - Monday at 7:30 AM
- Le Peep

April 25th - Tuesday at 6:30 PM
- Perkins with Fishers Club

Upcoming Events -

3rd Quarter – April 21-22 –
Oratorical finals - Columbus

Quote of the Month

“An optimist understands that life can be a bumpy road, but at least it is leading somewhere. They learn from mistakes and failures, and are not afraid to fail again.” – Harvey Mackay



Dime-A-Day

With just one dime a day, you can become part of the movement of “*Helping Optimists Help Kids*” and become part of a large group of Foundation supporters who realize what a difference they make every day in the lives of children.

The Dime-a-Day level is reached by a contribution of \$36.50 to the Foundation within one Optimist year and is recognized by the presentation of a pin.

The unrestricted gift helps fund all programs of Optimist International.



Your money could help one child further their education with a

scholarship or educate a child about internet safety. Your donation can help a child, in more ways than one.

Would you consider making a gift of just a dime a day to assist the charitable work of Optimist International?

Go to

<https://www.oifoundation.org/downloads/dime-a-day-form.pdf>

And download the form to make donation and you will receive a special pin!

District Tri-Star

The District Tri-Star Basketball event was held March 18th at the Franklin High School gymnasium.



Three clubs provided the 24 competitors

and thanks to Jack Nichols for once again organizing and running this great event.



Info Column

Items welcomed for future newsletters. If you have something to contribute, send along to your Editor Rick Posson:
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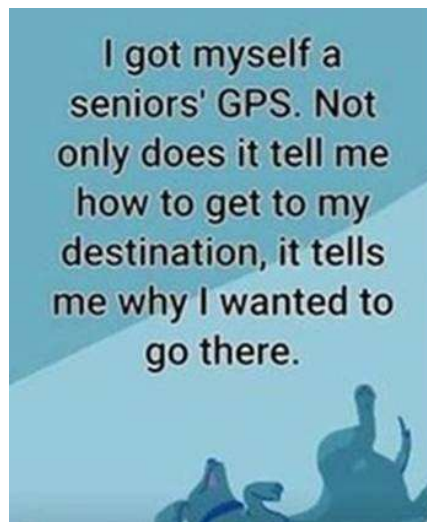
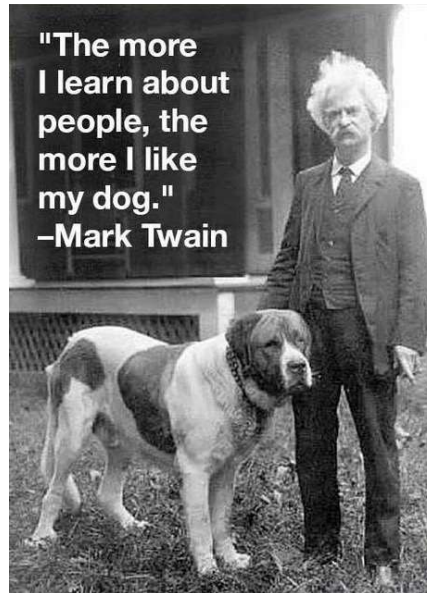
Directors

Dave Best
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Presidents Corner

Pres is out of the country, thus no article.



The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself-

To be so strong that nothing can disturb
To talk health, happiness your peace of mind.

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.

Just a Quickie . . .

Last week Ronnie Walsh went to the movies at the Rialto Cinema in Bristol to see "Slumdog Millionaire" but because of two women loudly chatting together who were sitting in the row in front of him, Ronnie was unable to hear the dialogue clearly.

Ronnie leaned forward and said in a stage whisper, 'Excuse me ladies but I can't hear.' 'I should hope not,' stormed the woman, 'this is a private conversation.'

Downtown Club News

The Downtown Club meets at the Murat Shrine Temple dining room at 510 N. New Jersey Street on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 11:30 a.m.



Next meetings:

April 6, 2023
April 20, 2023

Officers

Betsy Burke, President
Ken Loudenback, Vice President
Charles Curry, Secretary-Treasurer
Bob Brafford, Sargent-at-arms

Board of Directors

Vally Allen
Bob Brafford
Doug Brown
Ken Koons

Upcoming Events

April 1st - Clothe-A-Child at the
Castleton J. C. Penney

June 20th - Indians Game
(Tuesday)

Essay Contest

We had a very successful Essay Contest this year in January-February.

To the best of our knowledge, the 55 entries represented the largest number in any contest going back many, many years.

Winners were:

1st Place – Mary Kate Donovan –
Christ the King Catholic School
2nd Place – Isabella Cerrie –
Christ the King

3rd Place – Kira Lee – Christ the King

These winners will be presented with their medals and scholarship certificates at a future Club meeting, hopefully on Thursday May 4th. Parents and other relatives will be invited to attend also. We hope that our 2024 contest will be just as successful!

Bob Brafford,
Club Contest Chair

President's Comments

Spring is finally here in Indianapolis!

We will start April off right with our annual Clothe-A-Child project. Vally Allen is coordinating our shopping adventure. Optimists will be paired with children from the East 10th Street Youth Center and help the children shop for spring and summer clothes. It is a wonderful event where you get to work directly with children.

If you are interested in helping on April 1st, please contact Vally at vcaa@aol.com or at 317-753-4512. We will meet at the Castleton J. C. Penny store at 9:00 on Saturday morning.

The 3rd Quarter District Conference is scheduled for April 22nd. The meeting will be held in Columbus at the Holiday Inn (2485 W Jonathan Moore Pike, Columbus, IN 47201) All are welcome!

Agenda items for the District meeting include: Governor's message, Oratorical Contest final competition, Essay Contest

top 3 winners, and Lt. Governor elections.

"Be the reason someone smiles. Be the reason someone feels loved and believes in the goodness in people."

— Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart

Enjoy living life as an Optimist!

Betsy Burke

In Memoriam ... H. Charley Koehler

died on March 10, 2023. Charley was a twenty + year member of the Optimist Club. During his time as an Optimist, Charley served as a board member and chaired several committees. He was the long-time coordinator of the Pumpkin Caper, organized Symphony on the Prairie events, and connected us with families in need at Christmas. He was always generous with his time, talent, and treasure. Charley's kind and generous spirit will be truly missed.

Charley's obituary can be found on the Shirley Brothers Mortuary website: Harold C. Koehler.

