



Breakfast Optimist Club of Indianapolis - Founded in 1958 Serving the Youth of Indianapolis

The Breakfast **Optimist Club of** Indianapolis

Join us every 2nd and 4th Mon. Evenings - 6:30 PM



5520 Castleton Corner Ln

December Meetings:

December 14th: ZOOM

Video Info Forthcoming via email

December 28th: TBA

Upcoming Events:

January 2021 ~ Super Zone one-day meetings (North and South) dates T.B.D. – looking at Plainfield and Santa Claus locations

Quote of the Month

""Optimism – the doctrine or belief that everything is beautiful, including what is uqly."

- Ambrose Pierce"





BOCI Member Tells Us About his New **Book**

Rev. Emmanuel R. Musinga was a victim of the civil war in the Democratic Republic of Congo. He left the Congo to go to Rwanda when he was a young

boy. There was little hope that he would live a decent life. While in Rwanda, he received treatment and continued his education



which gave a glimmer of hope. Those hopes were dashed when his father passed away in 2002. At the time, he had to go to work in order to pay his school fees and the schools fees for his brothers. Through many challenges he graduated high school and he continued his education in theology and moved his family to the United States of America. Discover how Rev. Musinga was inspired to overcome the challenges in his life with an unwavering faith in God and a rock-solid focus on pursuing his dreams.

Here is the link to his book for purchase:

https://www.amazon.com/Dream-Giver-Journey-Towards-Your/dp/1646210174/ref=sr 1 2?crid= 1ZBV8WGLB107C&dchild=1&keyword s=emmanuel+musinga&gid=16064063 40&sprefix=MUSINGA%09EMMANUE L++MUSINGA%25%202Caps%2C197 &sr=8-2



Discover Indy Books Fundraiser

BOCI has been selling Discover Indy Books for several years and this year, due to the Covid19 Virus, the books iust became available.

This is a perfect time to sell them as Christmas stocking stuffers. The books



sell for **\$25**, the same price everywhere, but Discover indy.com Dime*Shop+Hare Fan*Sare

So please help out your Club and sell as many as you can to friends and neighbors. To order, call Larry Darling, 317-508-6011.

Start Selling Car Washes!

Our annual car wash fundraiser is now underway, but ONLY for the month of December. It had to be rescheduled due to a problem at Crew Car Wash.

It's very simple, just sell car washes for \$10 per, which is the same anyone

would pay when they go, but our Club makes \$5 for each wash sold.



This fundraiser with Crew Car Wash is the best one yet, as it doesn't cost the buyer anymore then what they would normally pay.

So. PLEASE begin to sell, just tell the buyer they will receive their car wash vouchers in December, just in time for Christmas. To order, call Greg Kuhn, 317-460-5780.

Info Column

Items welcomed for future newsletters. If you have something to contribute, send along to your Editor Rick Posson: rick.posson@att.net

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December
<u>Birthdays</u>



Grant Weber	Dec. 2 nd
Kishor Kulkarni	Dec. 4 th
Joline Ohmart	Dec. 17 th
Rick Posson	Dec. 20 th

Presidents Corner

Greetings Optimists

I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving.

We had a successful meeting on ZOOM with more members attending. Our member Emmanuel Musinga gave a fantastic presentation on the book he just published. The book and his attitude portray many of the Optimist Creed tenants. Thank you Emmanuel. BOCI is selling the Discover Indy books, \$25 per book, and the CREW Car Wash coupons, \$10 per coupon. These fundraising events really help BOCI help the kids of Indianapolis. Email me your Discover Indy book order at lad734@mymetronet.net, and I'll bring them to the next meeting or deliver them to you. Email Greg Kuhn your CREW Car Wash coupon order at gakuhn@aol.com. Both the Discover Indy books and the CREW Car Wash coupons make great Christmas Stocking stuffers. We need a chairman and committee for awarding the Bradshaw/Haerle Grant. This Grant goes to a student that has overcome his or her disability and plans to further their education. Don't hesitate, step up. This Grant will be awarded in the spring.

Currently the Food Pantry can only accept food from Gleaners. In preparation for when BOCI can give a food donation, we are accepting either cash or check donations. Send your check or cash to Greg Kuhn at 11951 Glen Cove Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46236, and annotate your check memo line with Food Pantry.

Please keep our fellow Optimist member Elbert Bradshaw in your prayers as he heals from a broken hip.

Directions for joining the next meeting via ZOOM will be forth coming. Better yet, come join us in-person at the Castleton MCL. Meetings are on the second and fourth Mondays beginning at 6:00 pm.

President,

Larry Darling

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.

Just a quickie . . .

A Group of Kindergarteners Were Trying to Become Accustomed to The First Grade

The biggest hurdle they faced was that the teacher insisted on no baby talk.

"You need to use 'big people' words," she'd always remind them. She asked Chris what he had done over the weekend.

"I went to visit my Nana."

"No, you went to visit your Grandmother. Use big people words!" She then asked Mitchell what he had done.

"I took a ride on a choo-choo."

She said: "No, you took a ride on a train. Use big people words". She then asked Bobby what he had done.

"I read a book," he replied.

"That's wonderful!" the teacher said. "What book did you read?"

Bobby thought about it, then puffed out his little chest with great pride and said: "Winnie the Sh*t".