



Your BOCI Breakfast Bugle and Your Downtown Club Diner News

December, 2021



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 Mon. Evenings - 6:30 PM



1390 Keystone Way S, Carmel

December Meetings:

December 14th: TBA

December 21st: TBA

Upcoming Events:

2nd Quarter Conference - Working on two Super Regionals possibly Jasper and Plainfield.

Quote of the Month

“Optimism is essential to achievement and it is also the foundation of courage and true progress.”

– Nicholas M. Butler



1st Quarter District Conference in the Books

Greg Kuhn and Lt. Governor Walt Willms were among those who attended the District Conference in Columbus.



BOCI also received a banner patch for money donated to the foundation.



Special Olympics Fundraiser

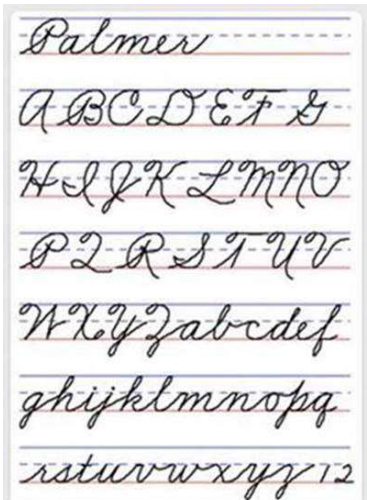
For several years, BOCI has been a big supporter of the Special Olympics and their many functions.



They recently held their annual fundraiser and several members were able to attend this early morning breakfast!

Time for a few Chuckles

Does anybody remember hearing, "Keep crying and i'll give you something to cry about." In their childhood?



The Palmer method of penmanship - we started to learn this in 2nd grade and had to practice on specially lined paper every day - in pencil. You didn't get to go to using a pen until 4th grade.

Info Column

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

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www.indianaoptimist.org

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December Birthdays



Kishor Kulkarni	Dec. 4th
Jo Harvey	Dec. 17th
Joline Ohmart	Dec. 17th
Rick Posson	Dec. 20th

Presidents Corner

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with lots of time spent with family and friends!

We only have a few more weeks until Christmas and New Years and I know I am looking forward to celebrating the holiday season.

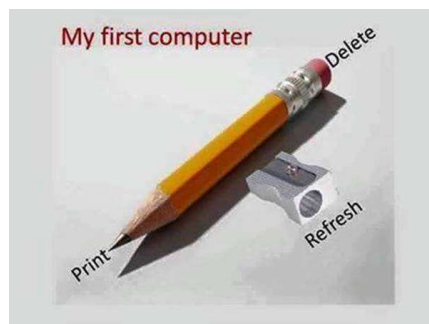
As we come up on 2022 I discussed with Kathy what our goals will be for the new year. We want to look at the structure of our meetings, and get our focus back into volunteering in the community through events and projects.

We will also be organizing our budget in the new year. The first meeting of 2022 will be a board meeting for us to discuss the budget and what projects we would like to pursue. Once it is finalized, we will go ahead and vote the budget in at the meeting after that.

Kathy has also organized our Club's finances in Quickbooks. This will allow for her to send out club dues invoices through email! Please keep an eye out in the coming days for your invoice for the next set of dues. The email will come from bocitreasurer@gmail.com. Payment can now be made online as well!

I hope everyone enjoys the Holiday Season and I will see you in the New Year!

President
Abby Weber



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 couple . . .

A woman came home to find her
retired husband waving a rolled
up newspaper round his head.

Wife: 'What are you doing
dear?' Husband: 'Swatting flies -
I got 3 males and 2 females'

Wife: 'How on earth do you
know which gender they were?'

Husband: 'Easy - 3 were on the
beer, and the other 2 were on
the phone'

An Englishman, a Scotsman
and an Irishman all entered a 26
mile long swimming race. After
12 miles the Scottish man gets
tired and drops out. Then after
16 miles the English man gets
tired and drops out. After 25
miles the Irish man decides he
can't finish the race, so he turns
around and swims back to the
start.

Downtown Club News

Thanks to Club, Happy Thanksgiving



Our Club made a donation to Emmanuel Musinga in order for him to help a family in his Church to have a better Thanksgiving.



Helping others is one of the best benefits of being an Optimist.

Downtown Members attended the District Conference

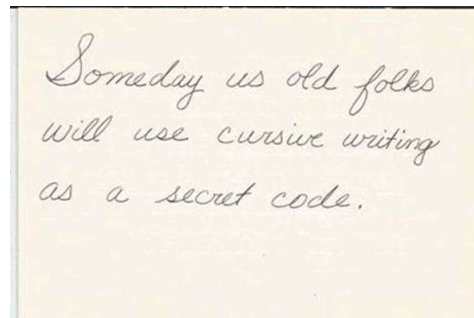


Bell Ringers Needed

Every year, members of the Downtown Club gather and ring bells for the Salvation Army.

This is an important event that takes place during the Christmas season, where all of the money raised stays in Central Indiana.

Please contact President Greg if you haven't signed up to help.



President's Comments

Dear Fellow Optimists,

Now is the time to be the eternal optimist. You will get all your decorations up and your shopping done. Not only that but you will find time to attend one or two club meetings. Yes, it can be done! Plus, you can participate in December club activities such as the Special Olympics Bowling Tournament and Salvation Army bell ringing. It sounds like a lot but its worth it. And thanks to the members who have signed up for these activities.

A few reminders:

- Don't forget to pay your dues!
- Keep an eye out for schools that may want to participate in 2022 essay and oratorical contests
- We successfully raised funds for a Thanksgiving Family, please help if you can with a Christmas Family.

I look forward to seeing you out and about – living the creed.

Sincerely,

President
Greg Kuhn

