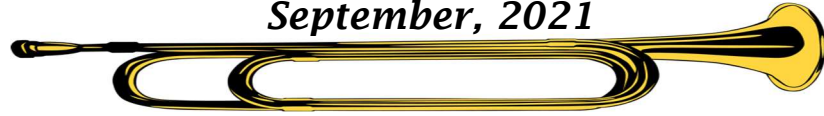




# Your BOCI Breakfast Bugle

September, 2021



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

## The Breakfast Optimist Club of Indianapolis

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



5520 Castleton Corner Ln

September Meetings:

September 13th: TBA

September 27th: TBA

Upcoming Events:

Quote of the Month

"Few things in the world are more powerful than a positive push. A smile. A world of optimism and hope. A 'you can do it' when things are tough."

- **Richard M. DeVos**



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## The MCL Has Reopened!

After many weeks of construction and remodeling, OUR MCL has once again opened its doors for business, so we can return there every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday evenings for our meetings! Hope to see you there!!!

## Mum Sales Have Ended

You will be contacted shortly to pick up the mums you have ordered and we hope that this will once again be a profitable fundraiser.



## Food Pantry is Open Again

Rick Posson delivered over \$345 worth of merchandise to the



Harshman Food Pantry. BOCI is focusing on items that they do not get from Gleaners Food Bank, so lots of toilet paper, Kleenex, toothpaste and paper towels have been on their need list.

## August Was a Sad Month for BOCI Members

BOCI lost two of its wonderful members in the month of August.



Larry Darling, our President, 80, of Fishers, passed away August 9th, from a massive

heart attack.

Then Elbert 'Brad' Bradshaw of Carmel passed away on August 15<sup>th</sup> at the age of 93, following an auto accident.



Brad was one of the Charter members of our Club, founded in 1958.

Our Club was very fortunate to have these two gentlemen as members of our Club. Their guidance and support of everything we did, whether it be a project or a fundraiser, they were always there for us

We pray for their families and all of there friends as we grieve with them.

## Info Column

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

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**Past President:**  
Kathy Underwood

### Directors

Dave Best  
Alex Overway  
Rick Posson  
Grant Weber  
Walt Willms



## September Birthdays

*Alex Overway*    *September 2<sup>nd</sup>*  
*Pat Darling*    *September 3<sup>rd</sup>*  
*Jim Fleming*    *September 25<sup>th</sup>*  
*Charley Wischmann*  
*September 27<sup>th</sup>*

## Presidents Corner

Although I am honored to be the acting President of such an amazing group of optimists, I must acknowledge the sad circumstances under which I have had to step up sooner than expected.

Words cannot begin to express the profound loss every one of us feels within our club. To lose Larry and Brad at all, let alone so suddenly is one of the hardest things to wrap my head around.

I can say without any doubt in my mind that those two amazing men were the pinnacle of what I have come to know as true optimist.

They had an unshakable faith in their fellow optimists and always brought a warm and welcoming presence to every room they entered, neither truly ever knew a stranger.

I know I feel as others do, that their impact on me personally will shape the rest of my life, as I try to emulate their kind, giving, and wholly optimistic nature.

My heart goes out to our fellow optimist Pat and all of Larry and Brad's family as they find their way through the grief.

As we move forward as a group I hope we can look to these two proud Optimists as an example in not just what we do for our community, but how we live our everyday lives with grace, compassion, and friendship.

**Abby Weber**  
VP and President Elect



## 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.

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### Just a quick one . . .

**Jack, a handsome man, walked into a sports bar around 9:58 pm.**

He sat down next to this blonde at the bar and stared up at the TV as the 10:00 news came on. The news crew was covering a story of a man on a ledge of a large building preparing to jump.

The blonde looked at Jack and said, "Do you think he'll jump?"

Jack says, "You know what, I bet he will." The blonde replied, "Well, I bet he won't." Jack placed \$30 on the bar and said, "You're on!"

Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy did a swan dive off of the building, falling to his death. The blonde was very upset and handed her \$30 to Jack, saying, "Fair's fair... Here's your money."

Jack replied, "I can't take your money, I saw this earlier on the 5 o'clock news and knew he would jump."

The blonde replies, "I did too; but I didn't think he'd do it again."

Jack took the money.