

Club members, Jr. Optimist leaders and District Officers are bcc'd this note.

Farmington/Farmington Hills Sunnyside Newsletter

Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

Mission: *By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.*

Wednesday's Meeting is Club Business Meeting

We will meet in-person at **the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington at 11 Mile & Farmington Roads**. (Enter on backside of building) Come meet and share bagels and coffee starting at 7:30 am. The meeting will begin with a social time. We will have a **special guest, Mr. Peace**. He will be presenting at our JOI Team Building Event, Feb. 27. You have the option of joining by zoom at this link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89926299765>

New Optimist Welcome (NOW) Orientation February 9

We had 4 prospective new members attend the orientation and shared their backgrounds and interest in serving in our club.

Next NOW Orientation March 9, 7:00 pm

What friends might you have who would be interested in learning about optimism. Spouses are welcome, too. Here is your chance to invite them to join this gathering. It will be via zoom from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Ask someone NOW with attached invite.

Oratorical Information from Our Webmaster

The 2022 Oratorical Contest's information, on-line application, and rules have been added to the Optimists Website. A "Calling All Students" item has been added to the Home Page with a link to the 2022 Oratorical Contest information.

Other clubs competing at District level are: Breakfast Optimist Club of Waterford, Bay City Noon, Southfield-Lathrup Village, Downtown Detroit, Grand Blanc, Lakeshore of Grosse Pointe, Farmington Hills/Farmington, Grosse Pointe, Auburn Hills Morning/Auburn Hills Noon, Plymouth-Canton, Bloomfield, Central Detroit, Muskegon Heights, Western International, Birmingham, Royal Oak, Hartland, Kalamazoo

Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce

We met with the Non-profit members of the chamber this week and learned the following:

- They are creating a "Community News" page on their website we can list activities we are doing.
- They are sponsoring the **State of the Cities breakfast** on March 10th you might want to attend.
- They are planning a **Health & Wellness Expo** at the Farmers Market the same day we have a table at the market for the Children's Health & Wellness 5K.
- We can apply for grants from the FFH Foundation.org/grants. The deadline is April 15.

2nd Quarter District Conference held on Zoom

- Gov. Dan Mills reminded us that optimism is a way of life.
- The 3rd Quarter District Jr. Optimist convention will be held on May 7.
- The 3rd Quarter District Convention will be held on May 14 in Southfield.
- New program for us to consider is MIunderstanding.ca. It will have a March 23 zoom meeting held at 7:30pm by President-Elect Pam Barcho. Check it out.

Website: **f2hoptimists.org**

Facebook: Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club
(Andrea Fields has done an excellent job of posting positive notes to our Facebook page daily.)

Calendar

Feb. 16 Club Business meeting

Feb. 23 Club meeting, Nicolas Kristock, Founder of Fleece & Thank You

Feb. 27 JOI Team Building Event @ Costick Center

Attachments:

Newsletter PDF

New Member Orientation Invite 3-9-22 PDF

2022 Club Oratorical Contest Flyer PDF

New Optimist Welcome Orientation Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club

*Welcome to bringing out the best in our youth,
our communities and ourselves.*



You are invited to our orientation...

When: **Wednesday Evening** 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, March 9, 2022

How: **Zoom call** hosted by Tom and Cathy Neal
Send email to Tom to register: ttneal@sbcglobal.net
Here is link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85251647625>

Who: New members and potential new members plus spouses are invited to join the zoom session.

Purpose: To socialize and learn about optimism and our club's activities here in the cities. How can you help make this a better world?

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Did you know that people who are optimistic live a longer and healthier life?

[Our website: f2hoptimists.org](http://f2hoptimists.org)

The Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club *Presents*

The 2022 Club Oratorical Scholarship Contest



“Staying Optimistic in Challenging Times”



This is an amazing opportunity for students ages 19 and under to demonstrate their public speaking skills, participate in a healthy competition and win a First, Second or Third place winner cash prize of **\$250, \$200** or **\$150**.

1st and 2nd place winners will compete in the Michigan District Oratorical contest and compete for cash prizes of **\$2500, \$1500** or **\$1000** for 1st, 2nd or 3rd place.

The World Oratorical Championship will be held in July for a chance to win a scholarship award of **\$22,500**.

Local Club Contest

Saturday March 12, 2021, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm via Zoom

Students interested in participating in this great opportunity, please visit our website <https://www.f2hoptimists.org> for further information and to apply. You may also email our Oratorical Contest Chair, Nicole Blackmon, at nicole@strategicimageconsultant.com