

The



Opti Prime

Optimist Club of Aurora

November 2005



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Words of Wisdom

To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research

Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.



Terry's Tales (The President's Message)

Now that the first month is behind us, we can look forward to a very busy November and December.

At our last dinner meeting we had David Ruuskanen (Author of Bonfire Lessons) speak to us on how to unlock your potential and to overcome challenges and obstacles that lie before them.

On October 21st, the Optimist Wagon was at Fleury Park serving up Hot Dogs, Sausages and Hot Drinks for the Dr. G.

W. Williams Wildcats football program. The Wildcats also made use of our sound system under the supervision of Ken (Captain Hook) Banks. Also many thanks to Carol Bartlett, Steve Granger and Alex Ansell (Mr. B.B.Q.) for all their help throughout the evening.

Upcoming events for November and December

- * Williams Wildcats Fleury Park - November 5th
- * Zone Breakfast - November 6th
- * Dinner Meeting - November 16th
- * District Convention - November 18th & 19th
- * Santa Claus Parade - November 26th
- * Annual Book Sale - December 2nd, 3rd and 4th
- * Xmas Party - December 14th
- * Salvation Kettle Drive - December 17th

As the rookie President, I was delighted to see the number of members who attended the last general meeting at the Legion, there were 24 members there and that makes it so much easier to get the business matters attended to.

Again thanks to you all.

Yours in Optimism

Terry

SANTA CLAUS PARADE

Help is needed again this year to marshal our great nighttime bright and colourful

SANTA CLAUS PARADE

Date: November 26, 2005

Marshals are to meet at 3:00 pm at the Automotive Complex north of Orchard Heights Blvd.

Please call John Thompson @ 905-727-9002 or E-mail johnthom@aci.on.ca



Committee Chairs

Bike Rodeo – Robert Parypa
Bingo – Bill Otton
Book Sale – Nora MacDonald
- Ken McIsaac
Bowling for Big Brothers
- Carol Bartlett
- Anna Kroeplin
Bulletin – Alex Ansell
Chess – Steve Granger
COLS – John Thompson
Communications – Carol Bartlett
Dinner Meetings – Robert Parypa
- Carol Bartlett
Hartwell Run – Paul English
Inaugural – Terry Sherin
John Thompson
July 1 - Terry Sherin
Membership – Ken Banks
Members Xmas Party – John Housser
Mobile Kitchen – Terry Sherin
Opti Rec Hockey – Rob Whiting
Ken McIsaac
Optimist International Foundation –
Janice Walsh
Phoning – Carol Bartlett
Progressive Dinner – Greg Way
Publicity – Anna Kroeplin
Respect for Law – Steve Hinder
Santa Claus Parade – John Thompson
Santa Claus Parade Float – Bill Otton
Sergeant-at-Arms – Glen Sharp
Showcase Tournament – Alex Ansell
Street Sale – Terry Sherin
Storage Facility – Tom McGhee
Twin Club – Brian Walsh
Web Site – Janice Walsh

Director – Youth Sports
- Bill Otton
Director – Youth Activities
- Paul English
Director – Community Service
- Paul Madden
Director – Membership
- Anna Kroeplin
Director – Fundraising
- Steve Granger
Director - Fellowship
- John O’Heir

Zone Meeting

When – November 6
Place – St. Andrews Golf Club
Time – 9:30 am
Come out and learn about what
other Clubs are doing



Bingo Dates and Teams until the end of December

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| November 1 | Otton Team |
| November 15 | Whiting Team |
| November 29 | Gaby Team |
| December 13 | Otton Team |
| December 27 | Whiting Team |

All of the above dates are at the new
bingo hall **240 Industrial Parkway
South** and all team members are
requested to be at the hall no later than
4:45 pm on those dates.

For further information, please contact
Bill Otton at **905-727-1463**.

*Please be sure to verify and
double check all counts*



1st Quarter District Conference

**November 18 - 19
Holiday Inn, Peterborough**

Come out and meet International
Vice President Bob Brown and
Diane.

Take part in the education sessions
and the round table discussions.
Get ideas from others and join in
on the hospitality. Find out what
our District is all about.

Psssstt !!!
**We need help
To Build the
OPTI Float for
the Parade**

If anyone is interested in helping to
build the float, please let **Bill
Otton** know as soon as possible at
905-727-1463



December 27-30

Mark Your Calendar

Aurora Community Centre

**Optimist Tri-Star Skills Competitions
will take place on Tuesday December
27 starting at 7:00 am and continuing
until 9:30 pm**

The awards from the Tri-Star skills
competition will be presented after the
Celebrity/Coaches game which will
take place on Thursday December 29.

[We will be calling you about both
dates](#)

Reminders

- Ask a friend out to one of our
dinner meetings then ask them
to join
- **Zone Meeting – November 6
Location – St. Andrews Golf
Club**
- **1st District Conference –
November 18-19,
Peterborough**
- **Help Build the Float during
the week of November 21**
- **Santa Claus Parade –
November 26 – 6:00 pm**
- **Book Sale – December 3-4 at
the Aurora Library**
- **Annual Christmas Dinner –
December 14**
- **Showcase Tournament
December 27-30**



BOOK SALE

*YES! YES! YES!!
It's almost here*

The ENORMOUS, GIGANTIC

19th Annual Aurora Optimist Book Sale

SATURDAY December 3
- 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
SUNDAY December 4
- 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

at the

The Aurora Library

Your book sale committee is up and flying with members on board with Nora MacDonald and Ken McIsaac co-chairing the committee.

Students are also welcome to help out, particularly with the sort, which will give them hourly credits to meet their required community service.

Please call Nora MacDonald at 905-895-5767 to let her know when you can help.

Volunteers are required for **Friday December 2** starting at 4:00 pm for sorting and to help with setup, and for selling on Saturday and Sunday and pack up on Sunday

If each of us brought in just one member each, think of all the additional kids we could serve.

Williams Football

It was a cold but calm night as we put our mobile kitchen to its first night test. Two exciting football games were being played at Fleury Park between Williams and Huron Heights High Schools.



The generator worked well, and the inside was bright. The same could not be said for those cooking outside. It was a little dark. Some of the sausages and wieners were more like burnt offerings



Regardless, all went very well, the coffee and hot chocolate really hit the spot with the fans and so did the hot dogs and sausages.

Then we did it all again on November 4, but it was much warmer.

More Reminders

- Ask a friend out to one of our dinner meetings then ask them to join
- Aurora Chess Tournament February 22
- Hartwell Run – April 9
- Progressive Dinner – April 22



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 onto 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.



Right Here, Right Now

November 2005

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| | | 1 Bingo Otton Team - 4:45 p.m. | 2 Business Mtg. - 7:30 p.m. Aurora Legion | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Zone Meeting St. Andrews Golf -9:30 am | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 Bingo Whiting Team - 4:45 p.m. | 16 Dinner Mtg. - 7:30 p.m. Wellington's | 17 | 18 Quarter Board | 19 Quarter Board Holiday Inn Pewterborough |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Santa Claus Parade 6:00 p.m. |
| 27 | 28 | 29 Bingo Gaby Team - 4:45 p.m. | 30 Executive Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. Aurora Library | | | |

December 2005

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| | | | | 1 | 2 Book Sort - 4:00 p.m. Aurora Library | 3 Book Sale - 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Aurora Library |
| 4 Book Sale - 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Aurora Library | 5 | 6 | 7 Business Mtg. - 7:30 p.m. Aurora Legion | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Bingo Otton - 4:45 p.m. | 14 Christmas Dinner - 7:30 p.m. Wellingtons | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25  | 26 | 27 Showcase Tournament – Bingo – 4:45 p.m. Whiting Team | 28 Showcase Executive Mtg. - 7:00 p.m. Aurora Library | 29 Showcase Tournament - Celebrity Game | 30 Showcase - Championship Games | 31 |



For lots of interesting information about Optimist International and its programs visit the official web site at "www.optimist.org", the Central Ontario District at "www.cenon.ca" or our own at "www.auroraoptimist.com"

Editor's Corner

During the months ahead we will try to keep you up-to-date on events both within and outside of the Club as they relate to optimism. Event write-ups will be a must. If you have any other items or notices you would like to have included in the bulletin, please forward them to me at 905-727-5012 or email at ansellas@interlog.com

