

The



Opti Prime

Optimist Club of Aurora

July/August 2007



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Factual Sayings

Everyone has a photographic memory, some just don't have film.

Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?

The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.

Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.



John's 19th Hole (The President's Message)

The passing of the sacred bell is nigh. Like the Four Horsemen of the Apocolypst, Gregs' Gang is coming.

And it will be a great year. Because he will have all the help that I did from the best club around.

Every person in the Club who said they would help me

through the year, did.

Every person I asked to take on a committee or a job, did.

I guess the old adage is true, that if you want something done, ask a busy person.

This is my general thank you to everyone, but know that starting at Greg's Inaugural on Sept.29, I will be personally thanking one and all.

There is a lot of news to be announced, and I will leave it to the new Pres. To bring to you.

However I would like to wish Dave Grieg all the best as he moves to a new community and starts a new chapter.

Hope to see a lot of you at St.Andrews on the 29th

John Thompson

President

GOLF and PRESIDENT'S NIGHT



The inaugural dinner, now referred to as the President's Night, will all take place Saturday, September 29 at St. Andrew's Valley Golf

Course on St. John's Side Road. It is open to members, spouses, and guests.

This is the event where 2006/07 President John recognizes the achievements of this current year, the new executive is installed, we kick off our new Optimist year and have a great evening.

We will start the day off with a golf tournament at St. Andrew's. This will be a scramble format so everyone can play and have fun. The cost will be \$100 per player, including cart.

Then the evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with cocktails, bragging about the golf day, then dinner, awards and the installation of officers and entertainment. Cost will be our usual \$20.00 plus drinks.



Committee Chairs

Bike & Board Rodeo - Robert Parypa
Bingo – Tom Connor

Book Sale – Nora MacDonald
- Ken McIsaac

Bowling for Big Brothers
- Anna Kroeplin

Bulletin – Alex Ansell

Chess – Steve Granger

COLS – John Thompson

Communications – Carol Bartlett

Dinner Meetings – Carol Bartlett

Hartwell Run – Paul English

Inaugural – Greg Way

John Thompson

Membership – Ken Banks

Members Xmas Party – John Houser

Mobile Kitchen – Terry Sherin

Opti Rec Hockey –

Optimist International Foundation –

Janice Walsh

Progressive Dinner – Greg Way

Publicity –

Respect for Law – Steve Hinder

Santa Claus Parade Marshalling

– John Thompson

Santa Claus Parade Float – Bill Otton

Showcase Tournament – Alex Ansell

Street Dance – Carol Bartlett

- Terry Sherin

Web Site – Janice & Brian Walsh

Director – Youth Sports

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Director – Youth Activities

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Director – Community Service

- Glen Sharp

Director – Membership

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Director – Fundraising

- Ken McIsaac

Director - Fellowship

- John O'Heir



Bingo Dates and Teams until the end of November

September 4

Otton Team

September 18

Whiting Team

October 2

Gaby Team

October 16

Otton Team

October 30

Whiting Team

November 13

Gaby Team

November 27

Otton 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 **Tom Connor** at **905-727-1546**.



4th Quarter District Convention September 7-9

**Quality Hotel
Parkway Convention Centre**

Greg Way, Tom Connor and Alex Ansell attended the Convention for training and camaraderie. Paul Thomson of the OC of Keswick was elected as Governor Elect. His Secretary/Treasurer will be Alex Ansell.

Our Club was also presented with a print for our support for the Optimist International Foundation of Canada, an Eminent Benefactor banner patch from the Foundation for cumulative donations in excess of \$10,000 by Club members and the Club since its inception. A Central Ontario Leadership banner patch was also presented for our support in sending 3 students to the Central Ontario Leadership Seminar.



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



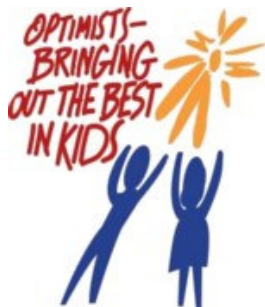
Our Display at the
International Convention in
Montreal

September 2007

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2	3	4 Bingo Otton Team - 4:45 p.m	5 Business Mtg. - 7:30 p.m. Aurora Legion	6	7 District Convention St. Catharines	8 District Convention St. Catharines
9 District Convention St. Catharines	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Bingo Whiting Team - 4:45 p.m	19 Executive Mtg. (Incoming) - 7:00 p.m. Library	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Executive Mtg. (Outgoing) - 7:00 p.m. Library	27	28	29 Golf & President's Night St. Andrews 11 am & 6 pm
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October 2007

	1	2 Bingo Gaby Team - 4:45 p.m	3 Business Mtg. - 7:30 p.m. Aurora Legion	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Bingo Otton Team - 4:45 p.m	17 Dinner Mtg 7:30 p.m. Location TBA	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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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

