



OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR

MAY 2006

Coming Attractions!

- WEDNESDAY, MAY 3** – Program to be announced; Board meeting.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 10** – PROGRAM: STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY; **NOTE: meeting and breakfast at Abbott Middle School.**
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 17** – Program to be announced.
- FRIDAY, MAY 19** – Michigan Week breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Orchard Lake Country Club. PAUL LIPSON (248-310-9086) is taking reservations. Our Club's scholarship awardees will be announced. Tickets are \$25.
- SATURDAY, MAY 20** – Optimist Michigan District meeting in Holland.
- SUNDAY, MAY 21** – 1-3 p.m., 10th anniversary of Roosevelt School playscape, which Our Club had a hand in making a reality.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 24** – Program to be announced.
- MONDAY, MAY 29** – Memorial Day Parade, 10 a.m., through Sylvan Lake and Keego Harbor.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 31** – Program to be announced.
- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7** – Program to be announced; Board meeting.
- THURSDAY, JUNE 8** – Farewell to JoANN ANDREES, 3-6 p.m., at Gino's. Let PAUL LIPSON (248-310-9086) know if you intend on being there.
- THURSDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 5-8** – International Optimist convention in Nashville.
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 12** – Tri-Cities Business Festival, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. JOHN LINEMEYER (248-682-1510) has details; volunteers welcome.
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 7** – GOLF OUTING at Pontiac Country Club.

Spring, summer will be busy, busy

If you just glanced at or overlooked the "Coming Attractions" listing above, go back and review it more closely. There is a lot of activity starting in May thru September that require our support and involvement.

Of particular interest:

- Our May 10 meeting will be at Abbott Middle School for our annual Student Appreciation Day. **Please note that the breakfast and meeting will be at Abbott and NOT at Ember's Deli that morning.**
- PAUL LIPSON hinted that the Michigan Week breakfast May 19 will be of interest to Our Club because (a) we announce our scholarship winners and (b) someone we know will be getting special honors (he wouldn't say whom).
- On Thursday, June 8, we bid a fond farewell to JoANN ANDREES from 3-6 p.m. at Gino's. She will be leaving our area for a responsibility as superintendent of schools in West Haven, Conn.
- And down the road, on August 12, the Tri-Cities Business Festival, chaired by JOHN LINEMEYER, sounds like it will be a fun, educational and entertaining day with all kinds of exhibits and programs. Thanks to John for arranging that Our Club will profit from the concessions that day.
- Further down the road, the annual golf outing – "Teeing Off Fore! Kids" – will be staged on Thursday, Sept. 7, at Pontiac Country Club.

BOTTOM LINE: A busy Optimist is a Happy Optimist!



The OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR (Optimist International, Michigan District No. 17, Zone 13, Club 227) serves the youth of Keego Harbor, Sylvan Lake and Orchard Lake. The club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at the Ember's Deli, 3258 Orchard Lake Road (next door to the West Bloomfield Fire Dept.) Phone: (248) 683-3344. Club's mailing address: PO Box 535, Keego Harbor, MI 48320.

Our web site:
www.keegoharboroptimist.org

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2005-2006

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LET'S CELEBRATE!

ANNIVERSARIES DURING MAY:

BIRTHDAYS:

May 7: JOHN KURTTI
May 25: GINO SANTIA
May 26: ANN CRAWFORD



MEMBERSHIPS:

15 YEARS – RALPH BEHLER (May 29, 1991).
9 YEARS – JEFF BECKETT (May 6, 1997);
DON HORKEY (May 6, 1997).
6 YEARS – JOHN BACZYNSKI (May 31, 2000).

(If we missed your date, let Don Horkey know at dhorkey@sbcglobal.net or call 743-453-7226.)

■ **ANNIVERSARY** – PAUL LIPSON invited us to the 10th anniversary of the Roosevelt School playscape, which Our Club had a hand in making a reality. The program will run from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, May 21.

■ **YOUR DUES** – Treasurer DON HORKEY says third-quarter dues statements have been mailed out. Please pay your dues promptly!!

SMALL STEPS TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS FOR MAY

- Don't let yourself get too hungry before eating.
- Drink alcoholic beverages in moderation, if at all.
- Remove skin from poultry before cooking to lower fat content.
- Cut down on salt by seasoning your food with herbs or seasoning blends.

OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR 15-WEEK RAFFLE, 2006

to benefit scholarships, activities and programs for youth of the Keego Harbor, Sylvan Lake and Orchard Lake area.

2006 PRIZE WINNERS

EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS:

DEC. 21: \$25 each to LAURA WILLIAMS (twice), TERI GIANNETTI and TONY MARASCO.
JAN. 11: \$25 each to LAURA WILLIAMS, RALPH BEHLER, PAUL LIPSON and ED SIMONS.

OFFICIAL DRAWINGS:

Week 1 – JAN. 18: 1st (\$100) – #413, Joe Faletti (sold by Barb Nordeen); 2nd (\$50) – #175, Ralph Behler (Ralph Behler); 3rd (\$25) – #338, Bob Burns (Bob Burns).
Week 2 – JAN. 25: 1st (\$100) – #78, Dennis Sheehy (Larry Firman); 2nd (\$50) – #277, Barrett Cromwell (Ray Kobe); 3rd (\$25) – #302, B. Schulman (Ed Simons).
Week 3 – FEB. 1: 1st (\$100) – #279, Ray and Liz Kobe (Ray Kobe); 2nd (\$50) – #249, Tony Marasco (Tony Marasco); 3rd (\$25) – #45, Irwin Goodman (Paul Lipson).
Week 4 – FEB. 8: 1st (\$100) – #405, Zach Sonkiss (Jim Sonkiss); 2nd (\$50) – #317, Greg Lenski (Larry Firman); 3rd (\$25) – #283, Mary Tomlinson (Teri Giannetti).
Week 5 – FEB. 15: 1st (\$100) – #302, B. Schulman (Ed Simons); 2nd (\$50) – #183, Alan Sturt (Gayle Sturt); 3rd (\$25) – #280, Ruth Dietz (Ray Kobe).
Week 6 – FEB. 22: 1st (\$100) – #41, Paul Lipson (Paul Lipson); 2nd (\$50) – #322, Danny Plantus (Ed Simons); 3rd (\$25) – #297, Ed Simons (Ed Simons).
Week 7 – MARCH 1: 1st (\$100) – #24, Megan Kobe (Ray Kobe); 2nd (\$50) – #380, Carol Hardesty (Ralph Behler); 3rd (\$25) – #2, Harry Karagosian (Dave Karagosian).
Week 8 – MARCH 8: 1st (\$100) – #347, Marianne Roze (Gayle Sturt); 2nd (\$50) – #60, Janet Gee (Sharon Gee); 3rd (\$25) – #18, Marie Arthurs (Don Horkey).
Week 9 – MARCH 15: 1st (\$100) – #51, Teri Giannetti (Teri Giannetti); 2nd (\$50) – #267, Jim Bagley, Jr. (Jim Bagley, Sr.); 3rd (\$25) – #275, Denise Yancey (Ray Kobe).
Week 10 – MARCH 22: 1st (\$100) – #60, Janet Gee (Sharon Gee); 2nd (\$50) – #45, Irwin Goodman (Paul Lipson); 3rd (\$25) – #24, Megan Kobe (Ray Kobe).
Week 11 – MARCH 29: 1st (\$100) – #219, Linda Margetin (JoAnn Andrees); 2nd (\$50) – #409, Barbara Nordeen (Barbara Nordeen); 3rd (\$25) – #131, Carol Bryant (Bob Burns).
Week 12 – APRIL 5: 1st (\$100) – #288, Jane Edson (Teri Giannetti); 2nd (\$50) – #351, Marianne Roze (Gayle Sturt); 3rd (\$25) – #316, Cheryl Lenski (Larry Firman).
Week 13 – APRIL 12: 1st (\$100) – #378, Glenn Behler (Ralph Behler); 2nd (\$50) – #280, Ruth Dietz (Ray Kobe); 3rd (\$25) – #338, Bob Burns (Bob Burns).
Week 14 – APRIL 19: 1st (\$100) – #324, Larry Yaldo (Ed Simons); 2nd (\$50) – #409, Barb Nordeen (Barb Nordeen); 3rd (\$25) – #132, Eleanor Girard (Bob Burns).
Week 15 – APRIL 26: 1st (\$100) – #328, Glenn Rogers (Ed Simons); 2nd (\$50) – #134, Keego Harbor Police Marine Division (Bob Burns); 3rd (\$25) – #237, Lisa Perri (Tony Marasco).



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FOR THE YEAR 2006

Thank you to the following individuals and businesses who have made a commitment as a Friend of Youth through their sponsorship of the programs and activities of Our Club for the benefit of the youth of our community for 2006.



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REALIZING OUR MISSION *** Our Club is a major \$500 sponsor of the annual **Skate Night** in October in cooperation with the Keego Harbor Police Dept. Hundreds of youths enjoy an afternoon of safe fun on bikes, skateboards, etc. *** More than 100 youngsters use their creativity in **decorating pumpkins for Halloween** *** Our Club donates \$200 in support of **Abbott Middle Schools' musical production** in March; we also pledge to support through attendance *** We contribute \$200 to the **West Bloomfield Youth Coalition** in support of their programs partnering youths and parents *** A dozen members of the Abbott Middle School orchestra **display their considerable talents** at our breakfast meeting *** We contribute **\$100 to each of three families** to make their holidays a bit brighter and merrier *** More than **500 youths** who attend Roosevelt School or are members of a number of Cub Scout or Girl Scout troops, or who play in the Lakeland Girls Hockey League or are represented by the Roosevelt Student Council had a **family day of fun bowling and raised dollars** for their respective club treasuries by participating in Our Club's annual "Bowling for Kids" *** **About 100 students** at Abbott Middle School participated in the Oratorical Contest; the dozen finalists did a grand job of telling us why "The Future is Bright because..." *** **More than 200 kids** enjoyed the annual Easter Egg Roll ***



Agency provides services to the deaf

APRIL 26 – More than a quarter-century ago, there was a need to provide services to the deaf community in this corner of southeastern Michigan. Studies showed that the area between Flint and Detroit had the highest concentration of deaf people.

The answer came in the formation of the Deaf Community Advocacy Network (DEAF C.A.N.) in 1981.

Its director since 1983, Marcy Colton, provided an insight into the important work of the agency. Among the facets of its varied programs are:

Programs

- **Youth Leadership:** outings, a lounge for socializing and help with homework, a summer camp, etc.

- **Case work:** Marcy spotlighted the assistance that deaf students require and the shortfall that they receive in the educational system. "We need better opportunities for the deaf students because they can't compete later in life. It's a serious issue."

- **Sign language interpreting:** More than 12,000 hours a year are spent by staff and volunteers to help the deaf in the doctor's office or the courthouse or in just about any everyday situation.

The literature that Marcy left for us was impressively chock-full of a wide range of activities for the deaf provided by (DEAF C.A.N.). So interesting and informative was her presentation that we invited her back in the near future to tell us more.

The agency is located at 2111 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 101, Sylvan Lake; phone is (248) 332-3323. Information in the internet at www.deafcan.org

Also at the April 26 meeting: JoANN

ANDREES been racking up the frequent flyer miles between here and West Haven, Conn., where she has been the superintendent of schools since Jan. 1. Among



the post was its loomfield. West Haven; there are 7,600 middle schools and port for the schools' \$80 y. She already has a school bells ring in the ll party for JoAnn will

be held from 3-6 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at Gino's.

■ **PROGRAM IDEAS** – Have an idea for a program during our meetings? Let either PAUL LIPSON, SHARON GEE or DON HORKEY know about it.

SEPT. 7

TEEING OFF

Fore! KIDS

★ Our Club's golf outing has taken a new and exciting twist! It will be held THURSDAY, SEPT. 7, at Pontiac Country Club.

★ We will be a co-sponsor with Gino's Restaurant (owned by member GINO SANTIA) and St. Joseph's Hospital Pediatric Dept.

★ Proceeds from the outing will be split between Our Club and St. Joseph's Hospital Pediatric Dept. (not Children 's Hospital as erroneously reported in the last issue).

★ We will be combining forces with the committee that put on successful outings with 100-plus golfers for the former Schooper's bar in recent years.

★ After a round of golf, participants will retire to Santia Hall for a steak dinner and prizes and surprises.

★ **Stay tuned.** The full description of the outing is being developed and will be announced in the very near future. One thing is clear: this will be a major undertaking which will require the cooperation and active support of each and every member.



GRANDMA'S WIDE AWAKE!

The doctor who had been seeing an 80-year-old woman for most of her life retired. At her annual checkup, the new doctor told her to bring a list of all the medicines that had been prescribed for her. As the young doctor was looking through these, his eyes grew wide as he realized she had a prescription for birth control pills.

"Mrs. Smith, do you realize these are BIRTH CONTROL pills?"

"Yes, they help me sleep at night."

"Mrs. Smith, I assure you there is absolutely NOTHING in these that could possibly help you sleep!"

She reached out and patted the young doctor's knee. "Yes, dear, I know that. But every morning, I grind one up and mix it in the glass of orange juice that my 16-year-old granddaughter drinks. And believe me, it helps me sleep at night."