



# Optimist Club of Keego Harbor

MAY 2007

## Coming Attractions!

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 2** – PROGRAM: **Cub Scout Pack 224** – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Webelos.

**FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 4-6** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Michigan District Conference, Valley Plaza Resort, Midland.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 9** – PROGRAM: **STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY**. NOTE: this event will be held at Abbott Middle School.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 16** – Program to be announced.

**FRIDAY, MAY 18** – Announcement of our **2007 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS** at Michigan Week Breakfast, Shenandoah Country Club.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23** – Program to be announced.

**MONDAY, MAY 28** – **Lakes Area Memorial Day Parade, 9 a.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30** – Program to be announced.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6** – Program to be announced; BOARD MEETING.

## Students from 6 area schools to be honored at annual Appreciation Day

Elementary, middle and high school students from six area schools will be recognized Wednesday, May 9, during Our Club's annual Student Appreciation Day. Chairman PAUL LIPSON has invited the administrators of West Bloomfield High and Orchard Lake St. Mary's Prep, Laker Academy, Abbott Middle School, Our Lady of Refuge School and Roosevelt School to nominate three students each who are judged to be of outstanding character and who exhibit exemplary qualities of leadership and community service.

**MEMBERS, PLEASE NOTE: this event will be staged at Abbott Middle School instead of at Ember's Deli, our normal meeting site.**

## 'Big Fish' getting bigger

Member JOHN LINEMEYER, chairman of the Keego Harbor Big Fish Festival Saturday, August 25 (8 a.m.-5 p.m.) and Sunday, August 26 (9 a.m. - 5 p.m.), says the festival is getting bigger (and better, hopefully), expanding its program of entertainment and information to two days. He's seeking artists and crafters. Our Club will be operating a hot dog stand. The overall theme will be family-oriented. For more information, contact John at (248) 682-1510.



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](http://www.keegoharboroptimist.org)

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LOU MOSS

MICHIGAN DISTRICT THEME:  
"Expect Success"

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(\* 2 year terms).

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:  
DON HORKEY

# Honor Roll NEW MEMBERS

2006-2007

JOHN SCOTT (*sponsor*, Ed Simons)  
GARY GARNER (*sponsor*, Earl Lowen)

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

ANNIVERSARIES DURING  
MAY & JUNE

### BIRTHDAYS:

**MAY 25** – GINO SANTIA  
**MAY 26** – ANN CRAWFORD  
**JUNE 30** – GARY GARNER



### MEMBERSHIPS:

**16 YEARS** – RALPH BEHLER (May 29, 1991)  
**10 YEARS** – DON HORKEY (May 6, 1997)  
**8 YEARS** – DENNIS WATKINS (June 10, 1999)  
**2 YEARS** – STEVE PALMER (June 30, 2005)  
**1 YEAR** – EDDIE DELBRIDGE (May 11, 2006)

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

## Hail, President Bill! (No, not *that* Bill!!)

BILL BERTAKIS will be Our Club's president for the 2007-2008 Optimist Year beginning October 1. PAUL LIPSON and DON HORKEY have agreed to continue in their roles as secretary and treasurer respectively.

❖ **DUES ARE DUE!** – Treasurer DON HORKEY reminds one and all that Third Quarter dues statements have been mailed out. Send your dues in by snail mail – or better yet, in person at a meeting!

❖ **LUCKY DON** – DON HORKEY found the jack of clubs from eight remaining cards to become the latest winner of the 50-50 jackpot. His prize was \$209.

## OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR

### 15-WEEK RAFFLE, 2007

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

### \* \* \*2007 PRIZE WINNERS\* \* \*

#### EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS:

**DEC. 6:** \$25 each to JOHN SCOTT, JIM BAGLEY, SR. (twice), and ED SIMONS.

**DEC. 20:** \$25 each to BILL BERTAKIS, BILLY STALLARD and ED SIMONS (twice).

#### OFFICIAL DRAWINGS:

**Week 1 – JAN. 10:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #264, Sarah Lenski (sold by Don Horkey); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #323, Teri Giannetti (Teri Giannetti); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #304, Lori Henney (Eddie Delbridge).

**Week 2 – JAN. 17:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #322, Eugene Sherizen (Teri Giannetti); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #191, Liz and Ray Kobe (Ray Kobe); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #107, Carol Bryant (Bob Burns).

**Week 3 – JAN. 24:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #300, Russ Schulte (Eddie Delbridge); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #195, Denise and Alvie Yancey (Ray Kobe); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #304, Lori Henney (Eddie Delbridge).

**Week 4 – JAN. 31:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #247, Jacquie Rowden (Ed Simons); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #048, Elaine Nicholson (Ed Simons); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #5, Steve Palmer (Steve Palmer).

**Week 5 – FEB. 7:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #352, Donna Simons (Ed Simons); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #318, Eugene Sherizen (Teri Giannetti); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #215, Lisa Jennings (Paul Lipson).

**Week 6 – FEB. 14:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #352, Donna Simons (Ed Simons); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #258, Jim Bagley, Sr. (Jim Bagley, Sr.); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #166, Don Horkey (Don Horkey).

**Week 7 – FEB. 21:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #275, Alice Stoddard (Don Horkey); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #273, Mary Tomlinson (Don Horkey); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #96, Ralph Behler (Ralph Behler).

**Week 8 – FEB. 28:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #290, Jon Sturt (Gayle Sturt); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #62, Marilyn Treuter (Marilyn); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #355, Sherry Foster (Paul Lipson).

**Week 9 – MARCH 7:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #231, P. J. Bagley (Jim Bagley, Sr.); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #373, Melissa Brown (Teri Giannetti); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #291, Alan Sturt (Gayle Sturt).

**Week 10 – MARCH 14:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #197, Heidi and Rick DePlautny (Ray Kobe); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #104, Debbie Haight (Bill Bertakis); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #220, Fran Kobe (Ray Kobe).

**Week 11 – MARCH 21:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #365, Phil Vera (Eddie Delbridge); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #307, Cassie England (Ed Simons); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #314, Shelly Deslongchamps (Jodi Franke).

**Week 12 – MARCH 28:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #354, Diane Thal-Gluck (Paul Lipson); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #395, Eddie Delbridge (Eddie Delbridge); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #342, Linda McNair (Teri Giannetti).

**Week 13 – APRIL 4:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #199, Kathy and Ron Tuszynski (Ray Kobe); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #187, Dana Karagosian (Dave Karagosian); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #35, John Scott (John Scott).

**Week 14 – APRIL 11:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #119, Chuck Compton (Chuck Compton); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #370, Bob Maricur (Earl Lowen); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #299, Lance Lackey (Eddie Delbridge).

**Week 14 – APRIL 18:** 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100) – #154, Maggie Mutsch (Teri Giannetti); 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$50) – #257, Jim Bagley, Sr. (Jim Bagley, Sr.); 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$25) – #354, Diane Thal-Gluck (Paul Lipson).



# Optimist Club of Keego Harbor Friends of Youth for 2007

**OPTIMIST  
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*Friend of Youth*

*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 2007.*

Billy J. Stallard\*  
Coach's Olympia Grill \*  
Complete Insurance Services\*  
Ember's Deli\*  
Keego Energy\*  
NationalCity Bank\*  
Roosevelt School PCG\*  
Jim Sonkiss, D.D.S.  
Otto A. Trzos Co., Inc.  
Visions of Sylvan Lake\*

*\* Renewed sponsorship for 2007*

REALIZING OUR MISSION \*\*\* Donated \$100 and several volunteer hours for the **Roosevelt School Fun Run** . . . Donated \$200 to the West Bloomfield Youth Coalition as a co-sponsor of a **mentoring program** that is involving students from both Abbott Middle School and Roosevelt elementary school . . . Contributed \$250 for the **Abbott School production** of "Once Upon a Mattress" . . . Hosted an afternoon of **bowling for nearly 60 kids** from Roosevelt School, helping the Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and Student Council raise \$466 for their treasuries . . . Donated \$200 to the **Keego Harbor Memorial Day Parade** and pledged our participation in this annual event that is viewed by thousands . . . Fulfilled our annual commitment of **\$1,000 to Cub Scout Pack 224**, of which Our Club is the official sponsor . . .



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## WB Youth Coalition seeking \$100,000 grant

Secretary PAUL LIPSON, Our Club's representative on the West Bloomfield Youth Coalition, announced that the Coalition is seeking a \$100,000 federal grant in support of an education program aimed at drug and alcohol abuse among youths.

Recently, member DAVE KARAGOSIAN supplied a big boost to Our Club's mentoring program – in association with the Youth Coalition – with a generous contribution of \$500. The program involves eighth grade

students from Abbott Middle School mentoring second-, third- and fourth-graders from Roosevelt School.

## 501(c)(3) Update: In progress

Optimist International reports on its web site that it is making progress with respect to Optimist International's application for group exemption under Section 501(c)(3). The IRS agent reviewing OI's application is reviewing documents submitted by in excess of 1,000 Clubs – **including Our Club's**. The goal is to try to bring closure to the process in the first quarter of 2007; however, not all Clubs have submitted information to OI's central office.

'Be alert' for ID thieves **Identity Theft** occurs when someone (the "perpetrator") wrongfully acquires and uses a consumer's personal identification, credit or other account information. The perpetrator may use this information to obtain money, credit, goods, services and other things of value in the victim's name. The perpetrator may also use this information to gain access to the victim's bank accounts.

#### HOW TO PROTECT AGAINST IDENTITY THEFT

- Do not routinely carry your Social security card, birth certificate, passport or more than two credit cards.
- Always carry away credit card, debit card and ATM receipts with you.
- Don't leave bill payment envelopes at your mailbox for the postal carrier to pick up.
- Destroy unused pre-approved credit card solicitations and convenience checks.
- Eliminate pre-approvals by calling 888-567-8688 (Opt Out Line).
- Immediately review your credit card statements, utility bills, telephone bills for unauthorized use. Contact the provider of necessary if you suspect unauthorized use.
- Order your credit card reports annually and review for accuracy and fraud. Free Credit Report Program Underway: Federal Trade Commission is rolling out service in phases; Michigan residents have been eligible to request free credit reports from three major credit bureaus since March 1, 2005. Program is designed to help consumers get better understanding of their credit and to promote accurate consumer information.
- Never give out your credit card, bank account or Social Security number over the telephone unless you initiated the call and you are familiar with the caller.
- Guard against overuse of your Social Security number: Don't print your social security number on your checks. If a business requests to use your Social Security number, ask to use an alternate number. If you don't receive your credit card statement on time, call the creditor and the post office to see if a recent change of address has been filed. If you shop on the Internet, use a secure browser for your purchase transactions.
- Make a list of your credit cards and bank statements in case your cards are lost or stolen.
- Cancel your unused credit cards.
- Don't use all or part of your Social Security number in creating passwords or PINs. Memorize all passwords or PINs.
- Check your Social Security earnings and benefits statement annually.
- Consider having your name removed from marketing lists: (a) To remove name from direct mail lists, write to DMA Mail Preference Service, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008. (b) To reduce phone solicitations, write to DMA Telephone Preference Service, P.O. Box 9014, Farmingdale, NY 11735-9014. (c) To join National Do-Not-Call List, call toll-free number 888-382-1222 or go online at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)

- Consider not listing your number in the telephone book or list only limited information.
- Shield the keypad when using the ATM machine.
- Install a lock on your mailbox or use a post office box.
- Pick up new check orders at your financial institution instead of mailed to your home.
- When you fill out a loan application, make sure the financial institution shreds or locks up your confidential information.

#### Next month: What to do if you are a victim?

(Information provided by Linda Hatfield, marketing VP for Birmingham-Bloomfield Credit Union.)

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### MICHIGAN FACTS

Q. On Feb. 4, 1902, what internationally famous aviation pioneer was born in Detroit?

A. Charles A. Lindbergh

Q. On what date did the Stars & Stripes first fly over Michigan soil?

A. July 11, 1796

Q. What ambitious automotive pioneer organized GM. in September 1908?

William C. Durant



### One liners for your STRESSED OUT DAY!

A bicycle can't stand alone because it is two-tired.

A will is a dead giveaway.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

A backward poet writes inverse.

In democracy it's your vote that counts; in feudalism it's your count that votes.

She had a boyfriend with a wooden leg, but broke it off.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

If you don't pay your exorcist you get repossessed.

With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.

Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat minor.

When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered.

A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.

You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

Australian Local Area Network: the LAN down under.

He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.

Every calendar's days are numbered.

A lot of money is tainted. 'Taint yours and 'taint mine.

A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.

He had a photographic memory which was never developed.

A plateau is a high form of flattery.

The short fortuneteller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

Acupuncture is a jab well done.

