

# OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR

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November 2010

# Oakland County Holiday Extravaganza Parade

The Annual Oakland County Holiday Extravaganza Parade is preparing to march downtown Pontiac Saturday, December 4th, at 11:00 AM (Line up by 10 AM).

This event kicks off the holiday season, featuring great floats and groups from Auburn Hills, Pontiac, White Lake, Waterford, Keego and Sylvan. Many of the floats are on loan from The Parade Company (you saw them in the Thanksgiving Day Parade!).

We are honored to be a part of this festive event, and look forward to our members supporting our unit in this year's parade. Tom Shelton and Paul Lipson have already "stepped up" to carry our Club banner, and they are looking for many more members and their families to join them in this (apx) 8-block parade route through downtown Pontiac, ending at the large parking lot adjacent to the Phoenix Center. We were THE only Optimist Club to participate last year, giving us a terrific presence in this County-wide parade. The local cable station will be there to broadcast the event, and we will be announced from the Grandstand.

Strength in numbers; so bring the family and enjoy the morning. Arrive early enough to enjoy hot cocoa and coffee donuts and cookies, inside the old Pontiac Central High School.

There is also a petting farm; horsedrawn wagon ride, face painting, live reindeer and crafts, along with a live ice carving demonstration. Those festivities begin at 8:30 AM at the corner of Saginaw and West Huron.



#### **OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR**

Presents

# LUNCH with SANTA

COME... JOIN US

Sunday, December 12, 2010 1:00-4:00 PM

> Santia Hall 1999 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor

# Pizza and Salad Lunch

Sponsored by Gino's Restaurant

Kids Under 12 Free (must be accompanied by an adult)

Adults \$5.00 Each

Free Photo with Santa Plus Surprises

Sponsored by the Optimist Club of Keego Harbor Bringing Out the Best in Kids!



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Serving the youth of Keego Harbor, Sylvan Lake and Orchard Lake, MI.

The Club meets at 7:30 AM every
Thursday at Tony's Deli,
3258 Orchard Lake Road (next door to
the West Bloomfield Fire Dept).

(Optimist International, Club 17227 Michigan District No. 17, Zone 13,)

#### MICHIGAN DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Jan Oord

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#### Recent Programs...

**Nov 4** Frank Vigliarolo of High Performance Sports & Apparel Located in the former House of Denmark building, Frank's business focuses on youth baseball for this region (specifically West Bloomfield; Walled Lake, Milford, Waterford, Orchard Lake and Keego Harbor, among others.). They do baseball training, working with coaches from those area schools. They also do training for adults. Additionally, Frank is the resource in our area for Varsity jackets and other sports apparel.

Frank is President of a Youth League. He has lived in West Bloomfield for the past 13 years with his wife and two children, who attend Walled Lake schools.

He invited us to visit his facility for an in-depth tour.

**Nov 11** Jordon Levin — "Profoundly deaf" all his life. For the first 2-1/2 years of his life parents thought he could hear. Jordon learned to listen, with daily speech lessons. Hardest things are P (sounds) and L (feels). He went to regular school, participated in sports, giving him a sense of independence and development. His parents developed time management for him. He was able to attend MSU summer hockey camp. Discovered TVs closed caption box when he was 8 years old. Can talk on the phone (speaker phone ok); reads lips — even mirror images; has a real time phone screen. He graduated from MSU with degree in fitness. His hobbies include hockey; windsurfing and skiing.

He owns Cross Fit, a fitness facility in Bloomfield Hills, concentrating on both adults and kids, with functional exercise both physical and mental. He partners with FIT Kids (get up and go) and the Birmingham/Bloomfield School District. Cross Fit is located inside Bloomfield Gymnastics on Franklin Rd in Bloomfield Hills. He offers classes for adults and kids.

Nov 18 – President Tom Shelton gave us a terrific power point presentation of his recent trip to Guatemala, where he and his wife traveled with their church, and assisted in the building of a house for a family (in a week!).

Extreme Makeover has nothing on them!

### Welcome back, Ol' Friends...

Great to see members Gino Santia and Dave Karagosian (great to have Dave's HA Has once again)!

# Diamonds really are a girl's best friend!

Member Nancy Petsch won the 50/50 drawing November 18th! With just a few cards left in the deck and looking for that six of diamonds, she felt "lucky" that morning and walked away with the winnings!

New game begins Dec 2.

#### **OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR**

# Friend of Youth 2010

Here is an important way for you, your family, and your friends to become an integral contributor in helping our Club achieve its mission of "bringing out the best in kids"...

Contributions to "Friend of Youth" will be directed to the Scholarship Program. In the last nine years, 48 students have been the recipients of more than \$37,000 in tuition assistance.

We feel proud that we are able to give these deserving young men and women a little push in the right direction toward a career that eventually will make them contributing citizens to society...

**DONATIONS ARE ONLY \$100**. They may be made in the name of the donor; in honor of someone, or in memory of a dear friend or family member.

Keego Harbor Optimist Club "Friend of Youth" 2010
YES! I/we are happy to make a donation of \$100,
in support of the Club's Scholarship Program.
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 Mr. Tom Shelton, President, Keego Harbor Optimist Club; PO Box 535, Keego Harbor, MI 48320.
 For information, you may contact Mr. Shelton at: shelton@westbloomfield.k12.mi.us

Friend of Youth 2010

In honor of...
Paul Lipson
Keego Harbor Jacket Club
Gayle Sturt

In memory of Catherine Pappas Margo Santia

# Celebrations!

NOVEMBER
Birthdays and Anniversaries

**Birthdays** 

Nov 8 Dave Karagosian 27 Nancy Petsch

Memberships
8 Years Bob Pyles (11/8/2001)

(if we missed your date, let Eddie know eddiebnac@gmail.com or 248.891.9440)

# Purpose of Optimist Clubs...

The are just a couple of our philosophies...

To aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well being of humankind, community life and the world.

To develop Optimism as a philosophy of life utilizing the tenants of the Optimist Creed.



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## **CLUB MEETINGS...**

THURS, DEC 2

Dave Henning United We Walk

THURS, DEC 9

Program to be Announced

THURS, DEC 16

John Deielein's Choir

Abbot Middle School

THURS, DEC 23

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!** 

THURS, DEC 30

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Have an interesting speaker? Need to contact a former speaker? Contact President Tom Shelton to schedule:

shelton@westbloomfield.k12.mi.us

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS! **COMING EVENTS...**

SAT, DEC 4 SUN, DEC 12

Holiday Parade Lunch with Santa To Be Announced

**JANUARY** Sat. FEB 5

Goofin' Groundhog Golf Classic

FEB 25-26

MARCH

Optimist Michigan District

2nd Quarter Meeting-Lansing Pontiac Club Chili Cook-Off Optimist Michigan District

MAY 13-14

3rd Quarter Meeting-Dearborn Keego Memorial Day Parade

**MAY 29 JULY 4-6** 

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AUG 26-28

4th Quarter Meeting-Grand Rapids